



Middle Kansas WRAPS Meeting Summary Wednesday, June 18, 2008

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Maple Hill, KS

Rick Davis, Middle Kansas WRAPS Coordinator, welcomed everyone. Attendees introduced themselves and the organization they are affiliated with. Meeting attendees included Gary Larson, Granville Davison, Doug Helmke, Mary Howell, Janice Plummer, Dennis Schwant, Eric Banner, Scott Schwinn, Roberta Spencer, Carl Jarboe, Judy Boltman, David Dennon, Bob Lienemann, Sherry Davis, Angela Beavers, Shelly Buhler, Mike Rich, Carol Blocksome, Sharon Bosse, Thad Rhodes, and Ryan Hahn.

Business Meeting Topics

- Ryan Hahn, summer intern with KDHE – Watershed Management Section, discussed TDS Recon, a hand-held electronic device used to collect Stream Visual Assessment Protocol. Ryan will be working at KDHE until the middle of August. He has been collecting data on Deer Creek, which flows into Lake Shawnee. He also plans to collect data along Shunga Creek. The TDS Recon is available on loan from KDHE for data collection.
- The group continued discussion of the Stakeholder Leadership Team (SLT). Howard “Doug” French has been appointed to the irrigated cropland producer position.
- Draft copies of the Middle Kansas Wraps Charter and Meeting Protocol for the Stakeholder Leadership Team were discussed. The SLT will meet one hour prior to the next Middle Kansas WRAPS meeting, which is scheduled for July 30, at the Friendly Cooker in Wamego.
- John Bond provided an update on:
 - * The Upper and Middle Rock Creek Assessment completed in Pottawatomie County.
 - * A KDHE WRAPS subcommittee is considering alternative methods for future WRAPS funding. One approach would be to give the top 10 ranked WRAPS projects up to \$200,000, the next ten projects up to \$100,000 and the last ten between \$25,000 – \$75,000. In the future, WRAPS Planning projects would receive \$40,000; assessment and planning would receive \$80,000.

- Rick Davis provided an update on the Middle Kansas WRAPS Assessment and Planning Report. The outreach plan was also discussed. Individual topic outreach sheets will be distributed to stakeholders, as agreed during the meeting to facilitate, completion of the outreach plan.
- Due to the file size of the draft Middle Kansas WRAPS Assessment and Planning Report, the plan and appendices have been separated and posted on the KAWS web site to download at <http://www.kaws.org/middle-kansas-river-wraps> . Additional Middle Kansas WRAPS documents are also posted.
- Middle Kansas WRAPS Service Providers meet after the general meeting to discuss initiating a focus group for bacteria on Rock Creek. Service Providers present were: Bob Lienemann, Janice Plummer, and Dennis Schwandt with the Pottawatomie County Conservation District, Sherry Davis and Carol Blocksome with KSU, Thad Rhodes with the Kansas Forest Service, and Mary Howell with the Kansas Rural Center. A workshop is tentatively scheduled for this October or November.

Next Meeting

Please mark your calendars for **Wednesday, July 30th** for the next **Middle Kansas WRAPS Meeting**. The meeting will be at the Friendly Cooker in Wamego.. Additional information will be forwarded ASAP.

Notes submitted by Rick Davis, June 20, 2008.