Wisconsin Wetland Study Council (WSC)

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 11th, 2024 | 10:00 am – 12:00 pm | Teams and in-person

Agenda Topic	Notes/Follow-up
Call to Order	WSC Attendees: - Tracy Hames - Tim Andryk - Stacy Jepson - Paul Kent - Jennifer Schmitz - Ben Callan - Stacy Jepson Other participants: - Tom Pearce - Jenny Western Hauser
Public Comment	None
Agenda Approval	Decision : Agenda approved
Board Minutes Approval	Decision: Minutes approved
Council Membership Update	DNR requested to the Gov Office to fill the vacancy on the Council.
DNR General Permit Issuances	DNR holding a public hearing today for 5 statewide general permit issue/reissues. New hydrologic restoration permit (GP22) can authorize wetland impacts associated with stream and floodplain restoration projects.
Wetland Dashboard	DNR to work on updating with 2023 data. Will send Council members a link when completed.
Assured Delineator bill and ILF Public Access bill	 DNR testifying at Senate NR Committee today on the proposed language in the bill. Ben Callan can share language with Council members. No update or change for ILF public access bill.
Integrated Watershed Committee Pilot Project	Recap of Pheasant Branch (Middleton) project approach. Next step is to outline strategies for DNR Programs to review projects proposed by MS4 communities that must meet storm water requirements.
WSC Annual Report	Mention of looking to July to write the next report.

Act 183/Wetland Exemption Report	 Outline has been written, discussions and research continuing.
Future business	 Next meeting – March 14, 2024 at 10:00 am.