



June 2021 Member Outreach Requests

There were no requests to the GLWA Administration for the month of June. Attached is the executive summary from each work group meeting held in June that highlight the topics covered and the action items that stemmed from the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



One Water Partnership

116 Participants

June 3, 2021

MEETING TOPIC:

- Member Spotlight: Detroit Water & Sewerage Department's Full Lead Sewer Line Replacement Program
- Piloting an AWWA Regional Membership Model
- Water Residential Assistance Program (WRAP) Program Changes
- Updates and Announcements
 - Water Contract Reopeners begin in 2022
 - Non-Revenue Water Benchmarking Workshop
 - Satellite leak detection pilot opportunity overview on June 15, 2021 at 9:00 a.m., via Zoom
 - AURA, a GIS-based smart water tool available at no additional cost, has published a series of short explainer videos on the tool.
 - Special AWG meeting regarding the 96-inch Main Relocation Project on June 22, 2021, 10:00 a.m. via Zoom
 - Public Education – [Water Use Management Media Kit](#)

REQUESTS TO GLWA ADMINISTRATION:

- None.

DECISIONS:

- Members indicated consensus support, by a show of hands, for GLWA to implement a pilot AWWA regional membership for member communities.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Members are invited to [register for a Convening on Lead Abatement](#), hosted by the Rockefeller Foundation, to be held virtually on Thursday, July 22nd, from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. EST. The deadline for registration is June 18, 2021.
- Member communities are asked to complete a very brief survey to gauge experience with AWWA water audit tools and to understand participants' priorities to shape the content of a planned Non-Revenue Water workshop:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NRW2021>.
- Member communities should email outreach@glwater.org to opt-in to the satellite leak detection pilot by June 30, 2021.

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Wastewater Analytics Task Force

34 Participants

June 10, 2021

MEETING TOPIC:

- Announcement: Member communities have been invited to participate in a satellite leak detection pilot funded by GLWA's Energy, Research & Innovation group.
- Meter Updates for WM-S-1, DT-S-8, and WC-S-1, 2 & 3.
- The Long Term Control Plan project team shared its approach to update and refine the Regional Wastewater Collection System (RWCS) model, including incorporating a neural network to efficiently screen control measure alternatives for optimization.

REQUESTS TO GLWA ADMINISTRATION:

- None.

DECISIONS:

- None.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Member Partners interested in participating in the Satellite Leak Detection pilot are asked to email outreach@glwater.org by June 30.

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Water Analytical Work Group (AWG)

72 Participants

June 22, 2021

MEETING TOPIC:

- A special edition of the AWG focused on the 96" Water Transmission Main Relocation Project.

REQUESTS TO GLWA ADMINISTRATION:

- None.

DECISIONS:

- None.

ACTION ITEMS:

- None.

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Water Management Best Practices Work Group

21 Participants

June 23, 2021

MEETING TOPIC:

- One Water Institute Updates
- Recruiting and Retention Practices in the Region, featuring DWSD and GLWA
- Announcements and Updates:
 - Non-Revenue Benchmarking Workshop, August 18th
 - Finance-focused workshop for Members in planning stage
 - AURA tool, training videos available to Members
 - Members are invited to opt in to a no-cost satellite leak detection pilot program by June 30, 2021.
 - GLWA's Communications & Education Work Group developed [a package of materials](#) for Member Partners to use to communicate water use management guidelines to residents and business owners,
 - EGLE is offering a [monthly webinar series on environmental emergency preparedness and response](#).
 - GLWA has published an [updated Contact List](#)

REQUESTS TO GLWA ADMINISTRATION:

- None.

DECISIONS:

- None.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Madison Merzlyakov to have a link to the One Water Institute (OWI) added to the Member Outreach Portal.
- In preparation for a discussion at the October 20, 2021 meeting, members are asked to think about their preferences for meeting formats in 2022; e.g., all meetings in person, all meetings virtual or a combination of in person and virtual meetings.

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Regional Collaboration Group

14 Participants

June 24, 2021

MEETING TOPICS:

- Funding opportunities update and status
- Wastewater Master Plan (WWMP) update: Northwest Interceptor (NWI)-Oakwood Connector
- Long Term Control Plan (LTCP): Design conditions

REQUESTS TO GLWA ADMINISTRATION:

- None.

DECISIONS:

- None.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Karen will look at the level sensors and flow meters to confirm whether flow is moving in the opposite direction in the NWI.
- Karen will call Geethani to discuss how best to incorporate the model updates related to the Oakwood Connector project into the Regional Wastewater Collection System Model.
- Dan will schedule a July RCG meeting to discuss the LTCP climate change and green stormwater infrastructure design conditions and to do a deep dive on the neural network/CHRS node approach to the LTCP model.

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Watershed Hub Work Group

10 Participants

June 29, 2021

MEETING TOPICS:

- Updates on key initiatives
 - Regional Water Quality Monitoring Program
 - GLWA Energy, Research, and Innovation pilots: In-situ real-time water quality monitoring and microbial source tracking
- Brainstorming: Potential opportunity for regional collaboration on funding
- EGLE grant implementation: Next steps
- Strategic Planning Watershed Hub Goals: Year 2

REQUESTS TO GLWA ADMINISTRATION:

- None.

DECISIONS:

- A subgroup of the work group may be convened, as needed, to support implementation of the grant. All members of the work group will be invited to the subgroup, although participation will be at each member's discretion.
- The work group's year 2 goals are:
 - Successful implementation of the EGLE grant, paving the way for a successful implementation of the investigational water quality monitoring program.
 - Development of a framework and potentially a software solution for consistent regional MS4 reporting, starting with post-construction standards, and collection of other related best practices information.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Immediate next steps on the EGLE grant implementation: Annette will develop early budget information to seed the stakeholder outreach; Dan will draft messages to review and refine at the July work group meeting.
- Joel will add Dan Gold to the Stormwater Standards Group, which comprises representatives from Macomb, Oakland, and Wayne Counties.
- The Stormwater Standards Group will meet to identify what information needs to be reported in compliance with the MS4 permits.
- The Stormwater Standards Group will invite EGLE to a future meeting to vet the framework they will develop for MS4 reporting and to understand the basis that will be used for approving permit renewals next year, given the limited data that will be available this year.
- Brittany will add discussion of the group's membership, format, and meeting frequency to the July work group meeting agenda.