



**SOUTHEAST CONNECTICUT REGIONAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY
MANAGEMENT PLAN – GROTON, LEDYARD, MONTVILLE, NORTH STONINGTON,
NORWICH, PRESTON, AND WATERFORD**

*Progress Memorandum
June 1, 2008*

Introduction

This memorandum summarizes the work conducted on the Southeast Connecticut Regional Drinking Water Quality Management Plan during the month of May 2008. This is the third progress memorandum per the project work scope.

Task 1 – Data Collection and Analysis

Substantial progress has been made relative to data collection and analysis as follows:

- Local data, planning documents, and regulations have been gathered in all member towns. A synopsis of this information was presented at the May 15, 2008 Advisory Committee meeting.
- The past several years of water quality monitoring data have been reviewed and analyzed. These have been evaluated in the context of water quality criteria as well as the body of studies and documentation relative to the effects of land uses and activities on water quality.
- Physical watershed characteristics were mapped and a conceptual model of the actively-used watersheds was presented at the April 17, 2008 Advisory Committee meeting. A similar analysis was subsequently completed for the future designated watersheds and was presented at the May 15, 2008 Advisory Committee meeting.

Task 1 is substantially complete.

Task 2 – Meetings and Interviews

The following tasks were completed in the month of May:

- A revised Communications Protocol Memorandum was prepared and presented at the May 15, 2008 Advisory Committee meeting.
- The Administration Group consists of the following individuals. Note that Juliet Leeming (formerly of SCCOG) is now the primary representative for the Town of North Stonington.

<i>Municipality</i>	<i>Primary Representative</i>	<i>Alternate Representative</i>
City of Groton	Al Dion	Rick Stevens
Town of Groton	Mike Murphy	Deborah Jones
Town of Ledyard	Fred Allyn	Mike Cherry
Town of Montville	Marcia Vlaun	Open
Town of North Stonington	Juliet Leeming	Nick Mullane
City of Norwich	Mike Schaefer	John Bilda
Town of Preston	Bob Congdon	Kathy Warzecha
Town of Waterford	Tom Wagner	Neftali Soto
Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation	Robert Birmingham	Ken Greenwood
State and Federal Agencies	Jennifer Pagach	Lori Mathieu

→ The Advisory Committee consists of the following individuals:

<i>Stakeholder Group</i>	<i>Primary Representatives</i>	<i>Alternate Representative</i>
Administration Group Members		
Water Utilities	Greg Leonard	Edward Monahan
Regional Planning	Tom Seidel	Open
Health Districts	Ryan McCammon	Amy Eberly
Open Space/Conservation	Margaret Miner	Sidney VanZandt
Environmental Groups	Zell Steever	Open
Developers/Land Owners	Peter Gardner	Clint Brown
Attorneys / Consultants	Bill Sweeny	Timothy Bates
Business Community	Deborah Donovan	Open

→ Milone & MacBroom, Inc. has facilitated monthly meetings beginning in January. Monthly Advisory Committee and Administration Group meetings were held on May 15, 2008. Separate meeting minutes have been prepared. The next meeting is scheduled for June 24, 2008.

→ The first three public informational meetings were held in March. The second round of informational meetings will be held in October.

→ MMI has met with each of the health districts in the region to gain their input to the DWQMP. Additional stakeholder representatives have been contacted as outlined below. Several messages and/or emails have been left for The Nature Conservancy, Audubon, and Trust for Public Land.

<i>Organization</i>	<i>Contact</i>	<i>Status</i>
Ledge Light Health District	Ryan McCammon	Interviewed
Preston Health Department	Al Goesling	Interviewed
North Stonington Health Department	Wayne Green	Message not yet returned
The Nature Conservancy	Sally Harold	Messages not yet returned
Audubon Connecticut	Sandy Breslin	Messages not yet returned
Trust for Public Land	Lisa Bassani	Still awaiting date and time
USDA NRCS	Seth Lerman	Interviewed
USGS	John Mullane	Message not yet returned
EPA	Jeff Butensky	Interviewed

→ Additional organizations may be identified to interview as part of the DWQMP process.

Task 3 – Management Strategies

Work progressed on a number of fronts during the month of May relative to assessment of management strategies, as follows:

- Map and Ordinance Evaluations – MMI completed a review of zoning regulation allowances and exemptions, subdivision regulations, and inland wetland regulations as they relate to water quality management. The initial results of this review were presented at the May 15, 2008 Advisory Committee meeting.
- Water Treatment Plant Upgrades – MMI has begun to evaluate treatment technologies as they relate to the existing surface water filtration plant and planned upgrades. The initial results were presented at the May 15, 2008 meeting.
- Stormwater Utility – Initial research is underway relative to potential creation of a stormwater utility.

Evaluation of these and other management strategies will be ongoing over the next several months.

Task 4 – Reports and Deliverables

- Progress reports have been prepared during the months of March, April, May, and June.
- Brown Bear Creative has been retained as the web designer and host. Ms. Abby Cushman of the company met with Groton Utilities personnel on May 20, 2008. Milone & MacBroom has compiled a list of items to post to the web site.

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