

Path Forward Committee Meeting
December 3, 2019, 9:00 AM to Noon
Butner Town Hall



PLEASE NOTE--START TIME IS 9:00 AM

A copy of materials related to the PFC's Meeting will be placed on the UNRBA website before the meeting:

<https://www.unrba.org/meetings>

See items under the December 3rd 2019 meeting date.

I. Opening Comments, Agenda Review/Revisions — Co-Chairs Kenny Waldroup and Michelle Woolfolk (Reminder: PFC meeting is from 9 to 12 and IAIA Workgroup is 12:45 to 2:15)

II. Development of the UNRBA Decision Framework — Part 3 — Facilitated Session (see page 3 for facilitated session meeting plan)

Item Summary (Forrest Westall): The UNRBA will discuss its Decision Framework for the Re-examination and review the latest draft to support finalizing for review by the Board in January. During this meeting, the PFC will discuss the draft Decision Framework document distributed on November 21st. Feedback will be used to update the draft for review by the Board at the January 2020 meeting.

III. UNRBA Stage I Interim Alternative Implementation Approach (IAIA) – Draft Program Description — Informational Item--Work Group to Meet Following the PFC Meeting (12:45 P.M. to 2:15 P.M.)

Item Summary (Forrest Westall): The IAIA Workgroup has developed a draft Program Description for an interim alternative implementation approach (IAIA) for Stage I Existing Development. The draft Program Description was distributed to the IAIA Workgroup on November 13th. Comments provided by the Workgroup participants have been incorporated into an updated document. The IAIA Workgroup will meet following the December 3rd PFC meeting to review the updated draft for any revisions. This updated document will be sent out for review by the PFC (anticipated to be distributed by December 11th). Final, written comments on the draft Program Description will be due from the PFC by December 18th. This will allow for a final draft to be available to the PFC and for distribution to the Board on January 8th for their review during the January 15th Board meeting.

IV. Modeling and Regulatory Support Status — Informational Item

Item Summary (Alix Matos): The Modeling Team is continuing to coordinate with UNC Collaboratory researchers on site selection for the onsite wastewater treatment system study for the Falls Lake Watershed. DWR has recently mentioned 319 and 205J grant money that may be available to further evaluate and characterize onsite wastewater treatment system loading in the watershed. A conference call was held with the UNRBA, DWR, and the Collaboratory researchers on November 22nd to discuss the potential grants. Modelers are continuing with hydrologic calibration for the baseline period. The next Modeling and Regulatory Support Workgroup meeting is scheduled for January 7th 2020, 9 to 10:30 AM. The PFC meeting will follow the MRSW meeting.

V. Review Status/Potential Impact of the Upcoming 303(d) Evaluation of Falls Lake—Informational Item

Item Summary (Forrest Westall and Jay Sauber): On November 14, 2019, the Environmental Management Commission approved a new methodology for the EPA-required 2020 303(d) list of impaired waters. The Draft 2020 303(d) list is anticipated for public review (60 days) approximately March or April 2020. The DWR 2020 303(d) list and the Integrated Report covers an evaluation of data from 2014 through 2018. The 303(d) report will likely be presented to the EMC around July 2020 perhaps as an informational item or an action item. Current plans are for the State to submit the 303(d) list to EPA August 1, 2020. This is an important process for the UNRBA because the list of

impaired waters ultimately determines the success of our management efforts based on the current Falls Lake Rules. The PFC will be presented with a predictive analysis of the potential 2020 DWR 303(d) review of the Falls Lake chlorophyll-a data from 2014-2018. This predictive review includes a total of 29 monitoring locations from DWR, NCSU CAEE, and the City of Durham for the time period 2014 through 2018 - which represents the 2020 listing cycle. The UNRBA 2019 monitoring report identified elevated chlorophyll-a levels in 2017 and 2018. The predicted 303(d) analyses represent the potential for an expanded impairment determination for Falls in the 2020 evaluation. It is important for the UNRBA to continue to weigh-in on this process and to continue its effort to press for a more scientifically valid approach to both the standard and how the lake segments are set and assessed.

VI. Other Status Items—Information Item

Item Summary (Forrest Westall): Brief statements on several ongoing activities:

- The upcoming Regulatory Forum has been scheduled for February 12, 2020—Outreach activities have begun—Please encourage your decision makers to attend
- Due to the expanded effort on the Decision Framework and the Forum, other Communications work products will be delayed
- UNRBA Presentation to the NC Lake Management Society on December 6th
- Ongoing DEQ/DWR Items—MOA, 303(d), 2019 UNRBA Data Report, 2019 DWR Falls Lake Emerging Contaminates Report, etc.

VII. Closing Comments— Co-Chairs Kenny Waldroup and Michelle Woolfolk

IAIA Workgroup Meeting, December 3, 2019, 12:45 to 2:15, Butner Town Hall

MRSW Meeting, January 7, 2020, 9:00 to 10:30, Butner Town Hall

Next PFC Meeting, January 7, 2020, 10:40 to 1:10, Butner Town Hall (NOTE TIME CHANGE)

December Decision Framework Session Meeting Plan

Meeting Objectives

1. Collect feedback on the draft Decision Framework document distributed on November 21st to guide revisions for the next draft in preparation for action on the document at the January 2020 Board meeting.

Agenda

Item	Description
<p>Welcome 9:00 a.m. 10 minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome and review meeting agenda
<p>Review Key Questions from November PFC Meeting 9:10 a.m. 10 minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the outcomes of the November PFC meeting. The PFC identified “starred” questions that a revised draft Decision Framework document should address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ How do external stakeholders – those without formal standing within the UNRBA – contribute or factor into the decision-making process? ○ Are majority and minority reports an appropriate option when consensus cannot be reached but the timeline for decision making demands a next step? ○ As a representative or director, do you have what you need to update your colleagues and your home jurisdiction or utility about UNRBA developments and upcoming decisions? ○ Beyond clarifying that Table 1 is an example and decision pathways are flexible, do you have specific edits we can address? ○ Is the Double Triangle tool appropriate as decision guidance more broadly than MSRW? ○ When the Board delegates decision authority to a special committee like the PFC, is one vote per jurisdiction an appropriate alternative if consensus can’t be reached?
<p>Revise Draft Decision Framework Document 9:20 a.m. 1 hour 15 minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the most recent draft of the Decision Framework distributed to the PFC on November 21st. During this part of the meeting, the PFC will discuss the edits to the document and collaboratively revise the draft Decision Framework document to finalize a draft for review by the Board in January 2020
<p>Confirm Key Questions have been addressed 10:35 a.m. 15 minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PFC will review the “starred” questions and other input from the November PFC meeting and confirm that the revised draft Decision Framework document addresses these. • PFC will provide any additional comments or revisions needed to finalize the draft
<p>Wrap Up and Action Items 10:50 a.m. 5 minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action items are summarized • Next steps are outlined