

Path Forward Committee Meeting
June 4, 9:30 AM to Noon
Butner Town Hall



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 June 4th meeting date.

I. Opening Comments, Agenda Review/Revisions—Co-Chairs Kenny Waldroup and Michelle Woolfolk

II. Modeling and Regulatory Support (MRS) Status—Informational Item

Item Summary (Alix): The MRS Scope of Work for FY 2020 will be presented and discussed. After discussion and identifying any revisions, the Executive Director will seek authorization from the PFC to present the Scope and Contract Amendment for FY 2020 to the Board on June 19th. This year there will be one Brown and Caldwell Contract incorporating any approved monitoring work and the MRS work planned for FY 2020.

III. Monitoring Program Status—Informational Item

Item Summary (Doug): A draft of the comprehensive monitoring report was provided to the PFC on May 24th. This draft represents several reviews and comments provided by Jay, Haywood and Forrest, however, it remains a draft for input from the PFC members. A presentation of the draft report and the key observations is planned for the June 19th Board meeting. The Executive Director will be requesting the PFC to approve a final draft for presentation to the Board. Following Board review on June 19th, we plan to finalize, release, and post the report to the UNRBA website.

IV. Ongoing DEQ Discussions/Issues—Information Item

Item Summary (Forrest): Member representatives of the UNRBA are scheduled to meet with the Assistant Secretary and the DWR Director on June 7th. The agenda items for this meeting include the following:

- Clean Water Act 305(b) and 303(d) Evaluations of Falls Lake
- Memorandum of Understanding/Agreement
- Credit for land conservation
- Revision of the chlorophyll-a water quality standard
- Summary of the basic principles of the Optional Implementation Approach under review by the UNRBA

V. Outcome of the Collaboratory Coordination Meeting held May 16th—Discussion Item

Item Summary (Forrest): Ongoing discussions with the Collaboratory relative to the Falls Lake Nutrient Strategy was discussed at the May 13, 2019 PFC meeting. We provided a list of potential research projects that would supplement the work of the UNRBA. We included the input provided by the PFC on May 13th. The Collaboratory indicated they would take our input into consideration in determining the projects they will fund and undertake during FY 2020. They are proceeding to work with their researchers to develop specific project scopes and study activities for the upcoming year. Projects will generally be an annual decision by the Collaboratory (except those with multiple years of work), so we will have the opportunity to discuss needed work before they finalize the next year's project list. The UNRBA Re-examination effort is expected to provide recommendations by mid-2023. The Collaboratory's Falls evaluation is due no later than December 31, 2023.

VI. Status of the Optional Implementation Approach — Discussion Item

Item Summary (Forrest Westall): The PFC discussed this topic at the May 13, 2019 Meeting. Work will continue based on the Board’s authorization to proceed with evaluation of this approach, authorizing the Executive Director to continue discussions, including consultation with the Legal Group in evaluating potential implementation approaches.

VII. Status of Contract Development for FY 2020

Item Summary (Forrest Westall): The UNRBA adopts new annual contracts for most of the services provided to the Association at the June Meeting of the Board. Ongoing work to provide Modeling and Regulatory Support (MRS), supplemental monitoring, subject matter expert assistance, and Executive Director Services are being developed for FY 2020. These will be presented for approval and signature at the June 19, 2019 Board meeting. The Board approved the provisions of the Executive Director Services contract at the March 2019 meeting. The MRS and monitoring work was discussed in items II and III. Subject matter support is for technical and administrative support of managing the MRS and monitoring contracts and is similar to the the current support contracts.

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

Next PFC Meeting, if needed: July 9, 2019, 9:30 AM to Noon, Butner Town Hall—Input needed from the PFC
