



**Term III Semi-annual Meeting for Anchorage MS4 Permit No. AKS05255-8
Municipality of Anchorage and State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities**

MEETING SUMMARY

Wednesday, March 24, 2021– 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Online Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Introductions

Kristi Bischofberger	Carina Perez	Jim Rypkema
Paul VanLandingham	Renee Goentzel	Josh James
Kevin Jackson	Ron Searcy	Jeffrey Urbanus
Vernon Vreeland	Paul Janke	Kurt Koehler
Burrell Nickeson	Jake Ciufu	Eric Hodgson

March 2021 Meeting Agenda Approved

October 2020 Meeting Summary Approved

Old Business:

New Permit Tasks – 1st year and looking forward

We are currently halfway through the first permit year which began in August. The Interjurisdictional Agreement has been completed. The Stormwater Management Plan has been completed. Agency Coordination Plans have been completed. The review of all SOPs is due in year 5. Annual SOP updates should be completed, as needed, and included in the Annual Report.

DOT&PF is continuing work on their vector waste disposal facility. Survey work has been performed recently. DOT&PF is waiting on the results of that work before proceeding.

The limited scope of current and pending MOA capital projects causes some concern that it will be more difficult to fulfill the public Green Infrastructure project requirement of the new permit. DOT&PF has completed one project, the Glenn/Muldoon Interchange. The second project will be the 2022 O'Malley Road Project.

During this permit term we have to track all parking lots greater than 2 acres that use chemical dicers during the winter. We also must track private snow disposal sites. The requirement was added back into the permit due to a private citizen complaint.

Street sweeping and drain cleaning will take place, per normal. Dry Weather and Wet Weather Screening will be conducted this year. There are some changes to the Dry Weather Screening protocol. Pesticide monitoring will be done next summer. The Anchorage Waterways Council will continue the contract for outreach and education.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting was held online this year for the first time. The format was successful. The group discussed whether the meeting should be virtual moving forward. The consensus was that a hybrid model should be explored, where both online and in-person participation is possible. The MOA will explore this option.

Annual Report

The Annual Report was submitted in February. No feedback has been received from ADEC.

New Business:

Year 2 deliverables were discussed as part of Old Business.

Informational Items:

ADEC

The Alaska CGP has been reissued. Projects with coverage 90 days (starting on 2/1) to switch coverage to a new NOI. Notices have been sent out to permittees. The update can be done online and there are new fees. ADEC will be posting an announcement for William's position next week. Tiffany Larson from enforcement has moved on to a new position. Her position is being temporarily refilled.

DOT&PF Construction

2021 Projects are starting to go live. Recertifying AKCESCL last year was difficult due to COVID restrictions. Josh James has been teaching online. AGC has also been teaching online. AGC has also been conducting the training online. DOT&PF is in the process of switching over project coverage to the new CGP Permit. Josh James has been piloting an electronic SWPPP inspection program called SWPPP Tracker.

MOA Construction

The MOA will be hosting and online AKCESCL training next week. Kristi Bischofberger asked whether this would work for Street Maintenance. Eric Hodgson responded that it would be weather dependent. Twelve people are currently signed up. The MOA may get with Josh James to determine what other training opportunities exist.

Monitoring

A new RFP for sampling is downtown with MOA purchasing. It should be on the street shortly. Kristi Bischofberger will be asking individuals from this group to help evaluate proposals.

New Development

DOT&PF has nothing additional to add beyond what was previously discussed. Many of their projects are limited to repaving and repair. DOT&PF will be repairing the Glenn Highway from Airport Heights to the Parks Highway. There may be opportunities for LID/GI on this project.

The MOA has not made any changes to the Permanent Controls Program. No new projects have been identified.

DOT&PF Maintenance

Jolt is the new contractor for sweeping and drain cleaning. The contract is in place but the actual sweeping and draining cleaning is on hold, pending weather.

ARDSA Maintenance

Street Sweeping is already behind last year by a month. A bulk sweep probably won't happen for 2-3 weeks. There may be a need to talk to DHHS about air quality concerns. ARDSA has magnesium chloride ready, if needed as things dry out. New snow may help keep dust down, particularly from the planter strips. Kristi Bischofberger asked about the overall amount of sand and gravel used this year. Paul VanLandingham suspects that overall amount is less, they have been trying to cut back. Drain cleaning contractor is the same as before. The MOA does its own cleaning of OGSs. Drain cleaning will probably not be in full swing until June.

Announcements

Set next meeting date – Wednesday, October 27, 2021 -1:30 PM

Adjourn



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MEETING SUMMARY

Wednesday, October 27, 2021– 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Online Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Introductions

Kristi Bischofberger	Jim Belz	Jim Rypkema
Paul VanLandingham	Renee Goentzel	Josh James
Kevin Jackson	Ron Searcy	Jeffrey Urbanus
Vernon Vreeland	Mark Littlefield	Eric Hodgson
Burrell Nickeson	Jake Ciufu	

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Old Business:

Second Year Deliverables

Updated drain cleaning schedules based on the fill study data called for in the Permit are already underway. Dry Weather Screening sampling changes were implemented this past summer. Inventory of parking lots using chemical deicers is underway. The permittee Spill Response Plan needs to be updated. The existing plan is pretty sound; it is likely that only minor changes will be necessary. A draft for the updated plan will be sent out to the relevant entities soon.

Annual Report

A draft of this year's Annual Report has been sent out to people who are typically responsible for larger sections of the report. If possible, it would be nice to try and have the bulk of report completed before the end of the year. With this in mind, contributing data might be due earlier this year than it has been in the past.

Annual Report

Following the audit interviews and site visits, ADEC hosted a short meeting to discuss the interim findings of the audit. No large issues were noted. ADEC is finishing their paper audit and compiling an audit report.

There is a final site visit today with ADEC and DOT&PF. It has been rescheduled a number of times.

DOT&PF submitted the requested follow up documentation for their contractor's vector waste disposal site located in the Matanuska Susitna Borough. Vernon Vreeland will send a copy of the information to Kristi Bischofberger.

Burrell Nickeson asked whether or not a follow-up meeting will be occurring. Kristi wasn't sure if this would be necessary. We'll have a better idea when the audit report is received from ADEC.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting will most likely be held online again this year. The BP Energy Center is still closed and no date has been reserved. The meeting will take place during the last week of February. Ideas, suggestions, etc. are welcome. There will be an effort to include information on all of the relevant permit sections: New Development, Construction, Maintenance, etc.

Informational Items:

ADEC

There is not a lot of new information to pass along. Jim Rypkema and Kristi will try and meet next week to discuss the new Annual Report reporting methodology. Angela Hunt has moved on. Interviews with applicants for her position and William Ashton's position are scheduled for next week.

DOT&PF Construction

Most projects have been closed out or shut down for the winter. The Seward Highway project in the Portage area will work through the winter. Phase two of the O'Malley project has started. Some non-roadway work will occur over the winter. Josh James will be continuing to provide online AKCESCL training. Josh will send a schedule of the trainings to Kristi when it is available.

MOA Construction

No new information to report – "Business as usual"

Monitoring

There were no high bacteria samples encountered this summer, so there won't be any follow up investigations required. The required number of wet weather events were sampled. A draft sampling report has been submitted by the contractor. Pesticide sampling will take place next summer.

DOT&PF New Development

The Dowling Road Interchange project will be going out to bid. There are five infiltration facilities planned to be included as part of this project. Scheduled further out, is the next phase of the Seward Highway Project between Dimond and O'Malley. This project will include detention basins.

MOA New Development

Due to the limited scope of upcoming PM&E road projects, it continues to be challenging to find opportunities for Green Infrastructure and LID. The MOA has been more successful in finding opportunities as part of Private Development Projects.

ARDSA Maintenance

Due to a cold spring, the start of spring street sweeping was delayed. All sweeping was completed on time. Less material was picked up this year. There was a concerted effort to be more conservative with the amount of winter sand used. The results were evident during sweeping. Leaves fell late this year and this impacted the amount picked up as part of the fall sweep. Drain cleaning was completed, as planned, this summer. There was a new contractor this year. The contractor did a good job. Sweeping work flow was integrated into GIS this year. The upgrade to the vector waste pit was completed. Decanted water now flows to the sanitary sewer. Dried solid wastes were delivered to the landfill.

CBERRRSA Maintenance

There was a new drain cleaning contractor this year. The work was completed, as planned. There was a new sweeping contractor this spring, a replacement contractor was used for the fall sweep. Not all leaves were picked up during the sweep because of the late date when they finally fell. A number of construction projects were completed this summer. CBERRRSA will also be rehabbing their vector waste pit.

DOT&PF Maintenance

DOT&PF also commenced sweeping late this spring because of cold weather. All sweeping was completed. Drain cleaning is still underway. The contractor had to close down operations for a number week due to COVID cases. Preliminary design work for the new vector waste facility is underway.

Announcements

None

Set next meeting date – The March meeting will be either the third or fourth week of March. Kristi will send out an invite.

Adjourn