



OSSF Workgroup Meeting Minutes

April 5, 2011 9:30 AM

Workgroup Members Present: Martin Entringer (GCHD), Bryan Eastham (TCEQ), Ryan Gerlich (TX Agrilife Extension Service), Chip Morris (TCEQ by phone), Charriss York (TCWP), Marc Reid (TCWP), and Lisa Miller-Marshall (GBF)

Discussion: Lisa began the meeting by explaining a new schedule that TCEQ has suggested in order to have more time to bring the Implementation Plan to the stakeholders. The initial plan was to have a public meeting in May and submit the draft I-Plan in August to TCEQ. With the new schedule, the goal would be to submit a preliminary draft of the I-Plan to TCEQ in May, possibly have a public meeting in June to kick off the publicity campaign, spend several months publicizing and garnering support for the I-Plan, and have a final public meeting by October with public comments. The draft I-Plan would then be submitted to TCEQ in February for approval. The full schedule is attached.

Soliciting Support: Following are the forms of publicity the Committee believes are important to use to promote the I-Plan and collect input:

- Online survey (Should check with the BIG to find out if online survey was successful.)
- Public Meetings – June and October
- Media Communications – press releases, media alerts, press kits, etc.
- Electronic distribution – e-mail, website Facebook, Twitter, etc

GBF and the workgroups will solicit support from cities, counties, commissioners, environmental organizations, community groups (Lions, Rotary, etc.), professional organizations, MUDs, commercial fishermen, agencies, chambers of commerce, etc.

Draft Implementation Plan: The goal is to have the OSSF section to the workgroup to begin reviewing by next week.

Action Items

1. Lisa will distribute OSSF section of the I-Plan by 4/15

Next meeting: TBD

New Schedule for Implementation Plan

April: Internal review of I-Plan by the workgroups

May: Review of preliminary draft by TCEQ

June - August: Promote the I-Plan and solicit input from stakeholders; possible public meeting

August and September: Revise I-Plan based on comments and solicit letters of recommendation

October: Public Meeting and solicit comments

October – January: Address comments and make revisions to the I-Plan

February: Submit draft I-Plan to TCEQ