



Management Council Meeting Agenda

Thursday, June 27, 2024 10:00 AM– 11:30 PM via Zoom

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1. (10 min) Welcome - Richard Dodds, Chairman – Introductions and Land Acknowledgement

- We would like to acknowledge that our work as a Council is on the traditional lands and home of the Lenape People, Lenapehokink, and we pay our respects to those who have stewarded this land from time immemorial and are still doing so today. We commit to improving this relationship, supporting Lenape recognition in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, and working together on programs and projects to benefit the Delaware River.
- Approval of March 2024 Minutes (attached)
- September meeting is during CDRW Forum.
 - Section 7 Workshop planned for the meeting

2. (10 min) Council Projects

- **Logo!** – Alison
 - Share logo
 - Brainstorm applications
- **River Use Project – Alison**
 - Successful forum
 - Summer work
 - Fall forum planned
 - Plan to share late fall

3. (10 min) Next Phase of Expansion Study

- “Segments & Tributary Expansion” - Richard
 - Criteria
- Engaging in management planning - finding the right people

4. (5 min) Mini-Grant Project Update – Cindy

5. (5 min) Bucks County Water Advisory – Alison

6. (25 min) Ongoing Matters - Richard and all

- Warehouses
 - Upper Mt. Bethel River Pointe Logistics- [lawsuit](#) seeking to halt Upper Mount Bethel Township officials’ plan to dissolve a sewer authority. Suit filed against the five-member township supervisor board and engineer
- Paunacussing gas line and Aqueduct– Sarah
 - The Lumberville Aqueduct is in removal process. NPS (Wild and Scenic, and National Historic Landmark team) had to be consulted about some changes in design. But all of the approvals have been made and that one is well underway.



- High Falls is in the design stages. Met onsite with the two NPS teams, the PA State Historic Preservation team (SHPO), FEMA, and the PA DCNR because the removal of the old, failed, existing culvert structure officially makes it an 'adverse impact' in terms of historical context. (This is not under Wild and Scenic, but under the Nat'l Historic Landmark and FEMA auspices). So to manage the 'adverse impact' finding, alternatives need to be considered, the team needs to agree on the best alternative, and then there need to be accommodations for documenting the history, etc. –Sarah
- Rockfall mitigation – Stephen, Richard, Tara
 - Devil's Tea Table- July meeting to be scheduled
 1. Change the safety bar-NPS to meet with FHWA to see if this can be required by FHWA as a condition of federal funding.
 2. Options such as just monitoring the road, changing the speed limit on the road and expanding the ditch were written off for reasons that there is nowhere to station a police car, the expanded ditch does solve the problem, and just monitoring is not considered an option.
 3. NJDOT offered up a lower impact option that they still need to investigate involving moving the road, but they stated that this might have other impacts on the canal towpath and other natural resources (trees). This is more impactful to other resources because they are refusing to lower the 95% criteria. If they lower to 90%, it will likely be less impactful on other resources.
 - Rt 29 Workgroup - June 13 meeting
- The [Landing in New Hope](#)- Landmark withdrew plans from New Hope.
- [Canal bridge](#) by Golden Pheasant Inn will keep curves.
- Washington [Crossing Bridge](#) replacement. Opposition building (Upper Makefield & Wrightstown Townships). UMT working to get the bridge placed on the National Register of Historic Places as well as some surrounding buildings/houses
- New business – Other issues?

NOTICES

ISSUES being tracked/Quick updates:

- a. [Headquarters Rd Bridge](#) - Private funding/town ownership moving into permitting
- b. I95 Bridge Repair/reconstruction - Supplemental EIS process starting, NPS included
- c. Route 46 Bridge DWG Amtrak - NPS unable to review due to limitations of study protections from 2000
- d. Nockamixon Dam water release evaluation (no update)
- e. Hal Clark boat launch (no update)
- f. [H & K's \(Center Valley Materials\) quarry application](#) Springfield Township (no update)

2024 Dates:

- Thursdays 10 A.M.: September 26 (reschedule due to CDRW), and December (TBD)

Attachments/Handouts

- March Minutes
- June Agenda



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