

TRC Conference Call Meeting Notes

September 28, 2015

Attending

Area I: Lord Fairfax SWCD staff

Area II:

Area III: Jim Tate, Keith Burgess, Brandon Dillistin, Charlie Lively, Etta Lucas, Three Rivers SWCD staff

Area IV: Andrew Gilmer

Area V:

Area VI: John Allen, Meaghan Terrien, Eastern Shore SWCD staff

DCR: Amy Walker, Stacy Horton, Barbara McGarry, Scott Ambler, Roland Owens

Others:

- **Module Enhancements:**

Roland stated that a module enhancement project will begin in the near future.

 - Ability to digitize land unit features, such as streams or buffers- Currently, the only way to indicate features other than a BMP is to hand draw the feature on a map, scan the map, and attach it in the module. This enhancement will be beta tested next week and should be available to plan developers in the next 2-3 weeks. There is no requirement for plan developers to go back and include these mapped features in completed plans, but this will be available for plans developed in the near future.
 - ArcGIS Desktop Integration – Planners will have the ability to use desktop GIS software to create maps.
 - Measure tool – will be helpful in measuring buffer widths and other features.
 - The ability to indicate whether a BMP is existing vs. planned/proposed
- **Upcoming TRC Trainings**
 - On Thursday, October 22, a TRC/module-user training will be held at the DCR Staunton Regional Office. The training is intended for new staff, staff unable to participate in the earlier trainings, or those that would like a refresher before beginning TRC reviews. The training will begin at 9:00 AM and be done around 12:00 or 12:30. The office is located at 184 Laurel Hill Road, Verona, Virginia, 24482. Participants will need to bring their own laptop computer. Contact Barbara McGarry to register.
 - This same TRC Module User Training will be provided on October 29 at Wytheville Community College following Conservation Plan Module User Training. While the Conservation Planning Session is full, there are spaces still available in the TRC

session. Participants will use computers provided in the computer lab. The training should begin around 1:30. Register with Stacy Horton.

- Nutrient Management Plan Expirations
Following many questions about the nutrient management plans that expire near or after plan approval, RMP staff offered the following:
The NMP must be current at the time of RMP approval. During the implementation phase (following plan approval, but not yet certified), the plan developer should maintain a current nutrient management plan and be able to demonstrate that the NMP was implemented, but there is no requirement to verify that the plan remains current throughout. The NMP must be current at the time of certification.
- Operational Support Reimbursement Requests Due
Reminder: due October 15
- Plan Review Timeline
SWCDs have 90 days to respond to a complete submitted plan. The District must respond within 45 days to a resubmittal of a complete plan.
- Question from participant:
If a cover crop is included in the NMP for the purpose of receiving cost-share, is it required in the RMP.
RMP staff response: Yes, unless there is a footnote to state that there is no requirement of the cover crop per NM regulations.