



General Manager's Report

MEMORANDUM to the Board
John Winkler, General Manager

July 13, 2023

A. INFORMATION/EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS:

The first-ever Chalco Summer Series was such a hit last year, the education team brought it back this year with a focus on getting kids out in nature. Last month, kids and their families sampled macroinvertebrates and learned about their tie to water quality. This month, more than 40 people have registered to geocache around Chalco Hills, tying technology and nature together. In August, families will get a chance to fish Wehrspann Lake while we provide the gear and bait. Feedback and participation in this program have been tremendous.

B. PERSONNEL/MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

1. I'm pleased to announce that Tyler Roberts was promoted to Washington County Rural Water Supply Superintendent on June 26 following the resignation of Kyle Winn. Tyler was previously WCRW Supply Operator. Congratulations to Tyler and we wish Kyle only the best as he pursues another job opportunity.
2. I would like to congratulate Margie Stark who retired on June 30 after 36 years as bookkeeper for Dakota County Rural Water. More than three decades with the District demonstrates a great deal of loyalty, dedication and commitment to the District, so the greatest thank you possible to Margie and well-wishes in her well-deserved retirement.
3. The electronic waste recycling collections in Tekamah, Blair, Dakota City and Walthill were a big hit again this year. The total collection volume was 39,359 lbs. of e-waste, up from 33,385 lbs. in 2022. These collections wouldn't be as successful or efficient without all the volunteers, so I want to personally thank everyone who helped in any capacity – big or small.

C. REPORT ON PURCHASES – CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND PERSONAL PROPERTY: Pursuant to Board direction, the report indicating construction services, professional services, and personal property purchases from the month of June is attached for your review.

D. CURRENT AND ON-GOING PROJECTS – PAPIO NRD LEGAL COUNSEL: A copy of current and on-going projects for District Legal Counsel, Husch Blackwell as of June 13 is attached for your review.

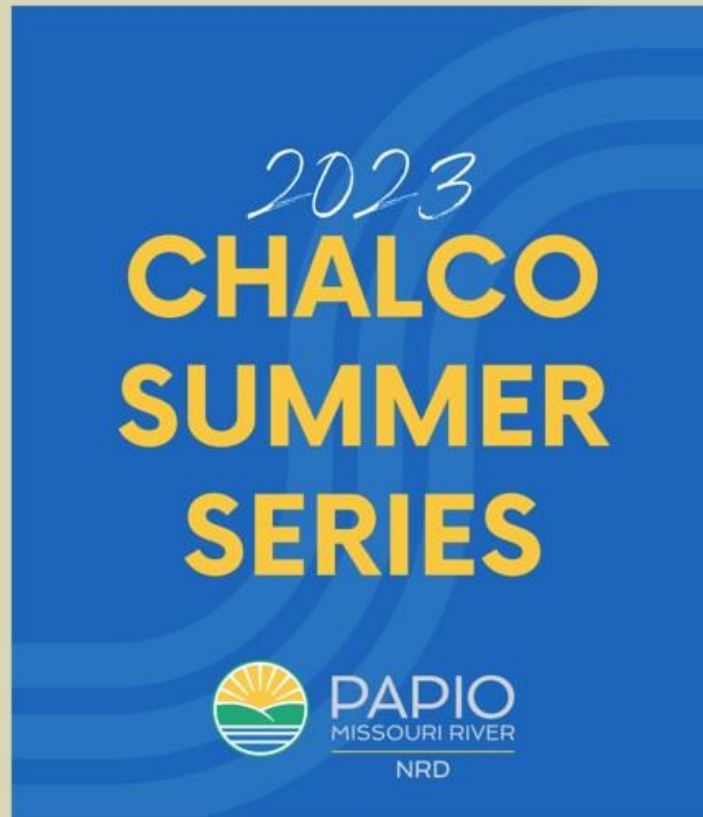
E. PAPILLION CREEK WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP REPORT: The PCWP Subcommittee meeting took place Thursday, June 29. The meeting minutes are attached. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 27.



INFORMATION AND EDUCATION REPORT

JULY 2023

CHALCO SUMMER SERIES IS BACK!



The first-ever Chalco Summer Series was such a hit last year, the education team brought it back this year. Kids and their families are learning about macroinvertebrates & water quality, going on modern-day treasure hunts with geocaching, fishing Lake Wehrspann and much more.

Report on Purchases
Construction Services, Professional Services, Personal Property

June 2023

Date	Project Name	Item / Task	Company	Cost
6/1-6/30/2023	Project Maintenance	Rip Rap	Whetrock, Inc.	\$39,514.38
6/14-10/31/2023	Glacier Creek	Mowing	Nebraska Hydro-Seeding	\$30,000
6/14-8/31/2023	Dam Site 7	Demolition & Cleanup	Pruss Excavation	\$97,711
6/28-9/1/2023	Rumsey Station	Geotech analysis of levee seepage	Thiele Geotech Inc.	\$36,250



Updated: June 13, 2023

Current and On-Going Projects

Legal Counsel

- A = Active Project
- B = Next Board Meeting
- N = New Assignment

Little Papio: (Cleveland)

Big Papio: (Cleveland)

West Branch: (Cleveland/Grint)

Western Sarpy Dike, Union Dike and No Name Dike: (Cleveland)

Floodway Purchase Program: (Laster/Grint)

- Purchase Agreements for Washington/Douglas/Sarpy Acquisition Projects (A)

Trail Projects: (Williams)

- West Papio Trail, West Maple Underpass Interlocal Agreement (A)

Missouri River Corridor Project:

USDA PL 566 Projects, Silver Creek and Pigeon/Jones Watershed: (Schumacher/Cleveland/Grint)

Papio Watershed Dam Sites: (Grint/Laster/Ghanavati)

- DS7 Land Acquisition - Purchase Agreements (A)
- WP-1 Land Acquisition– Purchase Agreement (A)
- WP-2 Land Acquisition – Purchase Agreement (A)
- WP1 Interlocal Agreement (A)
- WP2 Interlocal Agreement (A)

Papio Creek Watershed Partnership (Stormwater): (Grint/Laster)

Southern Sargy Watershed Partnership (Stormwater): (Laster)

Missouri River R-613 and R-616 Levees: (Cleveland/Grint)

- Offutt Ditch O&M Agreement (A)
- Offutt AFB Storm Sewer Outlets O&M Agreement (A)

Rural Water Projects: (Novak)

- Resolution for DCRW Short Term Financing (B)

Other:

- E-500 Professional Service Agreement (2000 edition) (Project Managers) (A)
- Dunker Wet Retention Basin Easement (N)
- Dunker Purchase Agreement (A)
- Cole Creek Interlocal Agreement Amendment (N)
- Summit Carbon Solutions Permanent Easement Dakota County (B)
- District Policy Manual Updates (A)



Meeting Minutes June 29, 2023 – 10:00 AM

Attendees:

See attached sign-in sheet.

The meeting began at 10:04 am.

1. Introductions

- Lori Laster (Papio NRD) facilitated introductions.

2. Watershed Management Plan Progress

- Lori Laster gave an overview presentation of the history of the watershed management plan, what has been accomplished to date, and the remaining projects.

3. Outreach and Engagement for the Plan Update - RDG

- Molly Hanson presented the draft communications plan.
- Molly then facilitated discussion of what the focus of the outreach should be from the perspective of Partnership members.
 - One key focus will be the update of the stream setback policy, especially with respect to housing affordability. We will need to engage with the development community early on to make sure they are aware of the issues and can be involved in the solution.
 - We also need to proactively engage council/board members who are going to be asked to approve the updated plan/policies.
 - Being able to demonstrate the benefits of projects and policies is helpful when discussing the plan with other stakeholders.
 - The PCWP currently has a website that is underutilized. Updates to the website could be helpful for multiple audiences.
 - A PCWP Fact Sheet would be useful when first approaching groups, especially elected officials and other municipal staff that aren't involved in day-to-day work of the Partnership.

4. Plan Update Schedule

- Lori Laster stated that the goal is to have the plan update substantially completed by April 1 so that it can be adopted with the new interlocal agreement.



5. Next Meeting Date

- The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 27, 2023.

6. Adjourn

- The meeting adjourned at 10:28 am. An agenda and the emailed handouts are available upon request.

Please contact Lori Laster at 444-6222 regarding any questions or comments concerning these meeting minutes.