

**Programs, Projects & Operations  
Subcommittee Meeting  
Wednesday, May 12, 2004  
7:30 p.m.  
Agenda**

**Programs, Projects & Operations:**

John Conley, Chairperson  
Rich Jansen, Vice-Chairperson  
Tim Fowler  
Joe Neary  
Rich Tesar

**Alternate Members:** Dick Connealy  
Pete Rubin

**Staff Liaison:** Gerry Bowen  
Jerry Herbster  
Ralph Puls  
Paul Woodward \*

1. Meeting Called to Order – Chairperson John Conley
2. Quorum Call
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Proof of Publication of Meeting Notice
5. “Workshop” Review and Recommendation on Papio Creek Watershed Partnership Agreement – Paul Woodward and Marlin Petermann
6. Other Items of Interest
7. Adjourn

**NOTE: This is an extremely important issue facing the District.  
All Directors are encouraged to attend.**

# Memorandum

**To:** PPO Subcommittee

**From:** Paul Woodward, Water Resources Engineer

**Date:** May 3, 2004

**Re:** New Papillion Creek Watershed Partnership Agreement

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The Papillion Creek Watershed Partnership (PCWP) is a group of nine cities, two counties, and the NRD that was formed through a three-year (3-year) Interlocal Agreement which expires August 1, 2004. During the time of this agreement, the Partnership has accomplished many of the goals that it set out to achieve, please review the attached Fact Sheet 7 for an update on the progress of the PCWP.

Due to the upcoming expiration of the existing agreement and the desire to work together on impending NPDES permits, the Partnership has developed a new 5-year Inter-Local Agreement between: the cities of Bellevue, Bennington, Boys Town, Elkhorn, Gretna, Kennard, La Vista, Omaha, Papillion, and Ralston; the counties of Douglas, Sarpy, and Washington; and the Papio-Missouri River NRD. It is proposed that these 10 cities, 3 counties, and the P-MRNRD would all approve this new agreement prior to its effective date of July 1, 2004. A copy of this agreement is enclosed for your review and consideration.

Most provisions of this agreement are similar to those of the attached existing Partnership agreement. For instance, the NRD will continue to serve as the administering agent for the PCWP, charged with tasks such as handling funds and facilitating meetings. The main exception to this similarity is that certain activities required of Omaha Metro communities and counties under existing or upcoming NPDES permits will be implemented by either the City of Omaha or the NRD. These activities and the lead Partnership member for each are listed in Exhibit B. As an example, the NRD would be responsible for coordinating the development of a comprehensive stormwater management ordinance addressing illicit discharge, erosion control, and BMP maintenance and inspection. Those entities responsible for an activity, i.e. Omaha and the NRD, will be reimbursed for expenditures incurred on behalf of the Partnership and for the reasonable value of activities performed as determined by the Executive Committee of the Partnership.

There are other differences between the existing and proposed agreement. For example, agreeing to implement some permit requirements has changed the duration of the agreement to 5 years instead of 3 years in order to stay consistent with the length of the permit. In addition, agreeing to implement stormwater management activities together has added more expense to the agreement. Total annual contributions from all Partnership members would amount to \$450,000 annually, in comparison to the \$244,500 currently contributed by Partners each year. Each entity's proposed contribution is shown in Exhibit C and was calculated based on population, area, and their individual requirements under NPDES permits. Based on this calculation, the District's total annual contribution would be \$90,000.

In conclusion, the Papillion Creek Watershed Partnership is requesting your consideration of a new 5-year Interlocal Agreement with the communities and counties in the Watershed to work together on comprehensive stormwater management activities for an annual contribution from the NRD of \$90,000.

**Management recommends that the subcommittee recommend to the Board that the General Manager be authorized to execute the Interlocal Agreement for the Continuation of the Papillion Creek Watershed Partnership between the communities of Bellevue, Bennington, Boys Town, Elkhorn, Gretna, Kennard, La Vista, Omaha, Papillion, and Ralston; the counties of Douglas, Sarpy, and Washington; and the Pappio-Missouri River NRD for an annual contribution from the District of \$90,000 over the next five years, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and to approval as to form by District Legal Counsel.**