

CAWS STEERING COMMITTEE
CONFERENCE CALL
MEETING NOTES AND ACTION ITEMS
May 19, 2020 AT 8:30 A.M.

Call Participants: Lisa Frede, Molly Flanagan, Robert Hirschfeld, Kay Nelson, Anna-Lisa Castle, Kathy Luther, Joe Exl, and Candice Eklund.

Discussion Items:

- Candice Eklund will delete all outstanding calendar invitations for the monthly Steering Committee meeting and replace them with one new meeting invitation.
- Obtain detailed information regarding Illinois concern with the USACE standard agreement and acknowledging the state law and permits. Kathy Luther will contact Loren Wobig for the specifics on Illinois Public Water Law and discuss IDNR's concerns.
- Robert Hirschfeld noted that in keeping consistent with past history of the Brandon Road project, one piece of a 2-Way is important and consistent with the Brandon Road project, which is conceived as a one piece for a potential 2-Way AIS solution. He suggested contacting the USACE to inquire if funding was still available to complete the GLRMIS study. Kathy Luther has also contacted John Rogner and Loren Wobig to inquire about the funding for the study.
- Kay Nelson indicated she and Marc Smith had been in discussion regarding the group's consensus letter and they realized they weren't as far apart as originally thought. There is a possibility that if the discussions are reframed to ongoing support for completing the GLMRIS, keeping it up to date as new technology, and researching projects completed, more consensus could be reached. Marc Smith will be invited to the next Steering Committee meeting on June 16, 2020.
- Molly Flanagan and Robert Hirschfeld indicated that Rock Island continues to request minimal (in USACE terms) funds, but continues to be cut from the budget. Molly and Robert will share previous letters they have sent to the USACE in support of the GLMRIS completion. Molly believes she has the latest letter from FY 2020 and will distribute to the group.
- Discussions to restructure the Steering Committee will be held at the next in-person meeting.

Followup Items:

- Kay Nelson and Marc Smith will follow up with Jeff Zuercher, USACE, to verify the 2-way approach.
- Molly Flanagan and Anna-Lisa Castle will locate and distribute the yearly (FY 2020) letter submitted to the USACE requesting funding for the GLRMIS study.
- As a basis for concern, Kay Nelson will send Kathy Luther the legal references for the 1979 State of Illinois vs. USACE legal suit case.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 a.m.