

**Northern Tampa Bay Phase II Local Technical Peer Review Group (LTPRG)
SWFWMD Tampa Service Office, Hwy 301N, Tampa**

**Meeting 18
August 6, 2003 - 9:30AM**

Summary

The following were in attendance: **Dave Slonena**, Pinellas County; **Mike Coates**, Tampa Bay Water; **R. Warren Hogg**, Tampa Bay Water; Nicole Reeves, Tampa Bay Water; Doug Keesecker, Tampa Bay Water; **Richard Voakes**, City of St. Petersburg; **Andy Smith**, Hillsborough County; **Cliff Harrison**, Schreuder, Inc for the WRWSA; **Jeff Vilagos**, City of Tampa; **Michael Hancock**, SWFWMD; **Ted Rochow**, SWFWMD; Mark Barcelo, SWFWMD; Robert Peterson, SWFWMD; Mikel Renner, SWFWMD; **Doug Leeper**, SWFWMD; David Carr, SWFWMD; and John Emery, SWFWMD. Names in bold are designated representatives for the LTPRG.

Doug Leeper provided an update on the status of minimum levels development for Northern Tampa Bay area lakes. He indicated that rule language including the methodology for Category 3 Lakes and proposed minimum and guidance levels for seventeen lakes would be presented to the District Governing Board for approval at the August board meeting. He also noted that most of the minimum levels development work has been completed for the Hernando County lakes scheduled for adoption in 2003 and that about half of the required work has been completed for the Pasco and Hillsborough County lakes scheduled for adoption this year.

Michael Hancock reported that several projects are ongoing concerning MFLs and WAP assessments. District staff has concluded the construction of a WAP database for wetlands with both District and Tampa Bay Water assessments. Results of the preliminary review will be presented to either the full LTPRG or a subcommittee as soon as they are available. Results from several other MFL related analyses, including the development of a marsh minimum level methodology, an assessment of the current cypress wetland minimum level methodology, and an annual state of the established MFL wetlands, will be presented as results are available.

Nicole Reeves (filling in for Paula Dye) gave a presentation on Tampa Bay Water's Master Water Plan. Ms. Reeves' presentation consisted of a Powerpoint display and handouts of the slides used in the display. The components of the Master Water Plan described in Ms. Reeves presentation can be found on Tampa Bay Water's website (<http://www.tampabaywater.org/WEB/Htm/mwp/mwp-map.htm>). Various members of the LTPRG asked several questions on the details.

Kathleen Coates was not available to present on the status of Tampa Bay Water's Recovery Assessment Project. The project has been delayed by several weeks, so Ms. Coates felt that it would be better to give a presentation at the next meeting.

Mr. Hancock asked the group what issues they would like to see discussed during upcoming meetings. Suggested topics included 1) the Sulphur Springs MFL, 2) the Hillsborough River MFL, 3) the assessment of the recently proposed Crystal Springs permit, 4) a discussion of the recent unanticipated problems at the Tampa Bay desalination plant, and 5) a discussion and field trip on the proposed feasibility project for a Gulf Coast desalination plant. Mr. Hancock said he would pursue these topics for upcoming meetings.

The next regular LTPRG meeting is scheduled for 9:30 AM on October 1, 2003 at the Tampa Service Office.

AGENDA

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1. April meeting follow-up
2. Miscellaneous updates
 - Category III lakes
 - Subcommittees
 - WAP assessment
 - Existing MFLs
3. Tampa Bay Water's Master Water Plan update (Paula Dye)
4. Tampa Bay Water's Recovery Assessment Project (Kathleen Coates)
5. Issues for Next Meeting – October 8, 2003 (at the Tampa Service Office)

Note: The date for the next meeting should be October 1, 2003