

EDUCATION & PUBLIC OUTREACH Working Group

Charge from Groundwater Management Area Advisory Committee

Create and present a packet of outreach materials for GWAC review and approval at its March 21, 2013 meeting.

Working Group Members

Andres Cervantes, Jean Mendoza, Tom Tebb, Rachel Little, Elizabeth Torres, Gretchen Stewart, Mark Nielson, Nieves Negrete, Patricia Newhouse, Tom Eaton, Dean Effler, Joye Redfield-Wilder, Wendell Hannigan, Stuart Turner

Meetings/Calls Dates

Meeting: Wednesday, March 13, 2013 2:00 PM-4:00 PM

Participants

Andres Cervantes, Joye Redfield-Wilder (Ecology); Rachel Little, Benton Conservation District; Dean Effler, Jean Mendoza, Gretchen Stewart (via phone), Patricia Newhouse, Jim Dyjak, and Lisa Freund (Yakima County)

Key Discussion Points

I. Outreach Materials:

1. Surveys (1. High Risk Well Users; 2. Public Informational Questionnaire and 3. Health Care Professional Questionnaire);
2. Agency Web Links
3. Letter to health professionals with attachments;
4. GWAC Logo

II. Temporary EPO Coordinator (March 25-April 30)

Resources Requested

N/A

Recommendations for GWAC

EPO is requesting the GWAC to review and approve the three surveys, healthcare provider letter and attachment. In addition,

Healthcare provider letter: the EPO is recommending that the letter be signed jointly by the Benton Franklin Health District & Yakima County Health District, and/or the GWAC. Health districts to determine who their agency contact(s) will be.

GWAC Logo: Approve a GWAC logo from the 4 choices provided.

Information only: Andres Cervantes will serve as the temporary EPO coordinator March 25-April 30, 2013.

Deliverables/Products Status

1. Surveys - 1. High Risk Well Users 2. Public Informational Questionnaire and 3. Health Professional Survey are complete and approved by EPO. Requesting GWAC approval.
2. GWMA Web links - related agency Web links have been reviewed and organized. Requesting GWAC approval of proposed links.
3. Letter to health professionals - letter is complete. Requesting GWAC approval.
4. GWAC Logo - five logos were created; EPO reviewed and reduced choices to four; the choices will be presented to the GWAC with the request to approve one.

Proposed Next Steps

The EPO will ask the GWAC to review and approve materials at its March 21 meeting.

Patricia Newhouse will present Spanish-language informational documents to ESL class, obtain feedback and report back to the EPO.

Next meeting of the EPO is Thursday, April 4, 2013 at 9:00 a.m., Yakima County Courthouse Fourth Floor, room 419.
