



Missouri
Department of
Natural Resources

Priority Point System & General SRF Regulation Stakeholders Meeting Summary February 6, 2008

Facility Planning:

Stakeholders discussed adding the following paragraph to paragraph (9) of the State Revolving Fund Regulation General Assistance Regulation:

“Communities that do not propose to employ a full-time operator, forty (40) hours per week, must evaluate passive or easy to operate treatment alternatives before considering a mechanical activated sludge package plant. Passive or easy to operate alternatives may include, but are not limited to, enhanced natural systems, submerged fixed film systems, sand filters, and recirculating pea gravel filters.”

Stakeholders suggested that additional wording be included to require these communities to evaluate the sharing of resources with other communities with regard to the operation and maintenance of a proposed treatment alternative.

Planning Loans:

Staff received several inquiries regarding the availability of planning grants. Grants for planning purposes are not available. Staff will be evaluating the possibility of a SRF low interest, short term, loan program for planning purposes.

Other Issues:

Stakeholders discussed the potential impact of the anti-degradation regulations and policy that are being developed. A proposed amendment to 10 CSR 20-7.031, Water Quality Standards, and the associated fiscal note were published in the January 16, 2008 Missouri Register: <http://www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/moreg/current/2008/v33n2/v33n2b.pdf>. The associated implementation procedures are on the Department of Natural Resources web site: <http://www.dnr.mo.gov/env/wpp/cwforum/documents/aip-4-20-07-to-epa.pdf>.

Stakeholders requested that staff look at the possibility of extending loan terms to 30 years for those components of a wastewater system that have a design life of 30 years or more.

Next meeting:

To be announced.