**Clackamas River Water PRoviders**

# **MEETING MINUTES**

# **December 8, 2021**

Meeting Via Zoom

**Attendance:**

Todd Heidgerken, Clackamas River Water

Rob Cummings, Clackamas River Water

Bret Bienerth, City of Lake Oswego

Sarah Jo Chaplen, Oak Lodge Water Services

Alexa Morris, Oak Lodge Water Services

Brad Lyon, Oak Lodge Water Services

Wyatt Parno, South Fork Water Board

Wade Hathhorn, Sunrise Water Authority   
Brian Rager, City of Tigard

Jennifer Joe, City of Tigard

Vance Walker, City of Oregon City

Brian Monnin, City of Oregon City

Patty Nelson, City of Oregon City

Matt Kaatz, City of West Linn

Kim Swan, Clackamas River Water Providers

Andrew Swanson, Water Environment Services

Micelis Doyle, USGS

Becky Talbot, PSU

Rob Annear, Geosyntec

Kyle Arnhart

**Agenda**

Approval of Minutes

Public Comment  
PSU Microplastic Study

Drinking Water Protection Plan Meeting Debrief

Meeting schedule for 2022

Algal Communication Plan Work Session

**Approval of October CRWP Meeting Notes**Todd asked if there was a motion to approve the August minutes.

**Wade Hathhorn made a motion to approve the minutes, Bret Bienerth seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously via voice vote.**

**Public Comment**

None

**PSU Microplastic Study**   
Kim told the group that the CRWP continues to provide funding to PSU graduate and PhD student for work related to the Clackamas. Last fiscal year the CRWP provided funding support to Rebecca Talbot’s Microplastics Study which looked at both the Clackamas River and Johnson Creek. The purpose of her work was to: *Examine Microplastics (MP) spatiotemporal distributions in Portland watersheds that have varying degrees of urban development and differing land cover types at different spatial scales*

* + How are MP concentrations influenced by:
    - Watershed attributes (e.g., land use, elevation)
    - Seasonality (Flow rate and precipitation)
  + What morphologies of MPs are present, and what ties can be made to potential sources?

**Drinking Water Protection Plan Special Meeting Debrief**

Kim told the group that in November that they held a special meeting regarding updates to the CRWP Drinking Water Protection Plan and the updated 5-year workplan. Kim said that overall that the update to the Plan itself had been well received and that if any CRWP member had additional feedback to get it to her in the next week. The updated plan will be posted on the CRWP website in January. Kim and Todd said that there had also been a conversation regarding whether the CRWP role should be expanded or changed to meet on going CRWP member needs (emergency preparedness or water quality testing). Kim said that she would send out a survey or needs assessment out in January to determine what this might look like.

**Meeting schedule for 2022**

It was agreed to move the April meeting from the 6th to the 13th. Kim said she would send out calendar invites out for the 2022 meetings in the next week.

**Algal Communication Plan Work Session**

Kim told the group that she had been working with a subgroup of CRWP members (Alexa Morris – Oak Lodge, Bret Bienerth – Lo/Tigard, and Brian Monnin – Oregon City) for the past six months to develop an Algal Communication Plan for CRWP members if there was a cyanotoxin detection in our source or finished water. Kim said that the Plan (now to be called Framework) was at a point of needing additional feedback from all CRWP member agencies. The primary questions she was looking for feedback on are: Does this Plan meet your needs? Does it seem like it is implementable for your organization?

The group agreed that rather than having “one spokesperson” for the whole basin that it made more sense to take an “incident command” approach and that the organization with the positive cyanotoxin detection would take the lead, but that this information would be shared with all CRWP member organizations. It was agreed that everyone would share this document with internal staff to get their input and that at the February CRWP meeting this would be revisited.

**Next CRWP meeting is scheduled for Wednesday February 2, 2022 from 9am – 11am via Zoom.**