James River and Tributaries Bacteria TMDL Redevelopment Study Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

Region 2000 Local Government Council 828 Main Street, 12th Floor Lynchburg, VA

> Tuesday, October 25, 2016 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Attending:

A full list of meeting attendees is provided as Attachment 1.

Meeting Summary

1. Introductions

Kelly Hitchcock welcomed members of the TMDL TAC and proceeded with attendee introductions. A full list of attendees is provided as Attachment 1.

2. Meeting Purpose

Craig Lott, DEQ, provided a brief project background. Lott noted that important project work had taken place over the last two years since the January 23, 2014 first TAC meeting. Lott pointed out that activities included the March 4, 2014 Public Meeting and that the remaining time period had been devoted to an extensive evaluation of source load estimates to ensure that the model would best reflect sources in the watershed. This included some detailed evaluation scenarios from the City and re-evaluation of source loads from wildlife, farming, and residential. Lott noted that source number evaluation, which in most cases resulted in reduction of original numbers, was done in coordination with local agencies/stakeholders including Department Health and Extension Staff.

Lott noted that the pending Public Meeting would provide an opportunity for all stakeholders to comment on the Draft document and that Jim Kern would provide a summary of the pending Public Meeting, proposed presentation and then respond to comments on the Draft TMDL Document provided to the TAC prior to the meeting.

3. Draft TMDL Redevelopment Study Presentation

Jim Kern, MapTech Inc., provided a summary of the proposed TDML Public Meeting presentation. The following captures the primary questions/comments provided by the TAC during the presentation review. A copy of the Draft Presentation is Attachment B.

Kern noted that time was spent responding to source number questions from the first meeting
including – incorporation of direct comments, responded to question on bio-solids, numbers of
single family home permits verified, an impaired segment of James added, and detailed
allocation review that better incorporated CSO/Updated Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) was
included.

- Dan French, Amherst County Service Authority asked if single family permits are included as surface water discharge, Kern noted they are reflected in the model.
- It was noted that 7-Hills Butchery was in the Fishing Creek and this should be included in the TMDI

Action: Add Seven Hills Permit to Fishing.

- Kern noted the upstream segment was added as it has been added to the 303(d) list as impaired and the opportunity to include was appropriate.
- Pat Calvert, James River Association, asked if Glasgow Town Sewage Treatment Plant discharge at the Maury River was included as it is upstream of the confluence. It was noted that this was not included.
- It was agreed the watershed map should move the key to the side to be more readable and that it would be helpful to public to include some primary roadways or some other features to get a sense of the watershed locations

Action: Adjust map to be more readable and recognizable

- TAC wanted to know why there are not 100% reductions for straight pipes given they are illegal.
 This led to a discussion of reasonable assurances and measure of safety in the model to ensure reaching water quality goal. The model incorporates reasonable assurances to reflect that you can't assure 100% compliance.
- It was questioned why Harris Creek was not given pasture reductions but included livestock. Model runs showed that after 80% reduction of straight pipe there was no necessity to reduce pasture land. It was also noted that the SWCD were also contacted and have noted that there is an influx of funding but still need additional funding match to add value to local landowners. Lott pointed out that pasture BMP options can be included within 319 fund use with justification. This will allow for multiple BMP options that reflect watershed farmer practice use. It was noted that these options need to be shared and understood at the SWCD level.

Discussion noted that generating the best estimates for loads and the impact of using similar approaches on watersheds and getting different results is a recognized and something that is considered during allocation options. Erin Hawkins, Lynchburg, noted the value of tracking implementation to what is actually happening on the ground. Lott noted that "adaptive management" was a term used as it does reflect the education that is taking place in the field.

- Ashley Hall, Stantec, requested that in the Draft Document that all footnotes be adjusted to accurately reflect MS4 Waste Load Allocations and somehow cite the updated data (2006 imagery) more clearly.
 - ACTION: Update document tables to reflect uniform language and incorporate all MS4.
- Amanda Winks, DEQ, questioned what would happen to the Training Center Permit when it closes? There was some discussion of how a similar issue was handled in Northern VA TMDL. It was suggested this load would get put into the future load.

It was questioned how this would be accurately represented due to the aggregated load? Lott noted that DEQ uses aggregation for MS4 WLAs in general with the TMDL program. DEQ does not focus on individual loads but rather percentage of reductions throughout the watershed.

This led to further discussion on how-the land use within the MS4 area was determined. Lott noted that the permittee determines their reduction BMP locations within their Action Plans. Hawkins noted that the City has a much better determination of land use than that based on the 2006 imagery (released in 2011). Tim Mitchell, Lynchburg, noted there is a clear explanation within the LTCP and that it opted to remove in the LTCP and in the permit.

Ashley Hall noted that the adjustment in data and the work that the City did to improve the land use information needs to be more clearly articulated throughout the Draft Document.

ACTION: Where ever new data is used, it should be referenced.

Ashley Hall also requested the purpose of footnote #4.
 The first footnote addresses the LTCP and 93% is not really the performance but is dependent on a specific hydrologic period. It was suggested that a time period be added and suggest alternative language used to link the TMDL to the LTCP.

Lin Liang, Greeley & Hanson, asked that the paragraph from the June allocation comments be included. Lott noted that the TMDL is not exclusively for permit writers, and DEQ staff decided that referencing the language from the LTCP would be sufficient for DEQ Staff and that it should not overcomplicate the TMDL with LTCP language. DEQ staff wants a clear footnote in the table to explain the connectivity/basis of TMDL modeling is the LTCP modeling outputs, but it should be fine to better reflect the dependence of LTCP modeling to a specific hydrologic time period. Hall reiterated that the paragraph noted by the City should be added. DEQ Staff indicated they do not object strongly to adding the paragraph since TAC stakeholders indicate it will help clarify the relationship between the TMDL and the LTCP. There were no objections, so the paragraph will be added.

ACTION: Add the June paragraph to text, and propose language for Footnote which references the LTCP, to Table 4.

• Hall also noted that throughout the document and the tables there needed to be uniform use of terms/use of fecal bacteria/E.Coli/bacteria references.

ACTION: Check and utilize uniform terminology within the document.

 Pat Calvert, JRT, asked if there were any incorporation of concentrations at dams or reflection of loads in the TMDL or LTCP. Lin Ling noted the LTCP uses a two-dimensional model and will meet both sides of the James. It was agreed removal of the dam would make it better but, the CSO is modeled with the dam in place. The TMDL utilizes LTCP modeling so the dam is in the TMDL in place.

Calvert noted that he thinks the Glasgow dam should also be included. It was questioned if the dam or Glasgow facility is included in the Maury. Jim Kern noted that he can look at making an

additional comment about Glasgow facility.

- When viewing Fishing Creek reductions, the TAC was reminded of the earlier comments that a
 pipe break in Fishing that had been fixed by the City. Mitchell noted that the City is still trying to
 find additional sources and undergoing investigations to determine if load is animal or human
 based.
- It was noticed there is no goal for cattle exclusion in the lower James and believed this is not going to be received well, especially Harris Creek. Calvert noted he applauds 80% straight pipe reductions but, need to see more cattle exclusion in Harris. Lott noted that he had checked with Charlie Lunsford who had previous success working with EPA to help apply for 319 funding to help get cattle out of the creeks even in complicated situations like this. It was agreed that a statement could be added describing the source not previously described in the text, and that that could help cover the opportunity and need to reduce all sources.

ACTION: Kern will develop a statement before the allocations that notes that other sources could be addressed.

• It was agreed that the document map and for the public meeting purposes needs to have some location references and should move the key to be larger and easier readability.

ACTION: Provide geographical references on the project watershed map and enlarge key.

- There was a short discussion on the IP and what the follow up process will be.
 How does DEQ anticipate tracking success and BMP implementation? How will the public be
 provided an understanding of tracking and improvements? It was agreed that the matrix and a
 connection to the existing TMDL IP, that presents BMPS be presented.
- Calvert questioned if there were other TMDLs that showed 80% for straight pipe reduction? DEQ noted that there are. But that as straight pipes are illegal it is always the expectation that we try for 100% removal, but that because they are illegal, sometimes, they are difficult to find and fix all of them.
- Erin Hawkins noted that according to VDH there are no straight pipes in Fishing Creek watershed.
- It was noted that at the Public Meeting the public will probably want some update of the CSO program. Mitchell agreed the City would provide a fact sheet on the CSO program for the meeting.

ACTION: City will develop CSO Fact Sheet handout/update for TMDL Public Meeting.

4. Recap of Document Edits and Action Items.

Paula Main confirmed the primary draft document and public meeting presentation comments provided by the TAC. Items correspond to Action Items noted in the meeting summary.

5. Public Meeting Dates

After review of schedules, agreement of all parties to complete the agreed upon Action Items, and the required public register dates, it was agreed that the TMDL Public Meeting could be held on either December 5^{th} , 6^{th} , 8^{th} or 12^{th} .

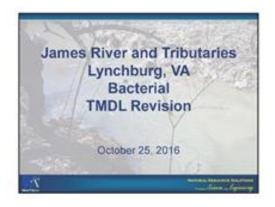
ACTION: Main and Hitchcock will confirm Public Meeting date and location.

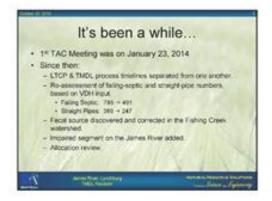
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Attachment A Meeting Attendees

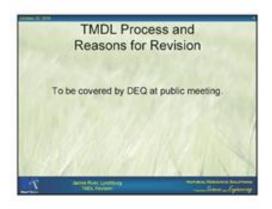
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Attachment B Draft Public Meeting Presentation

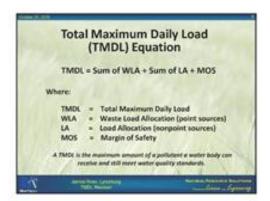


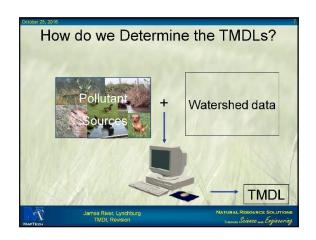


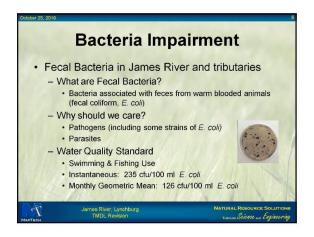


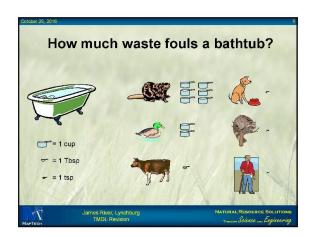


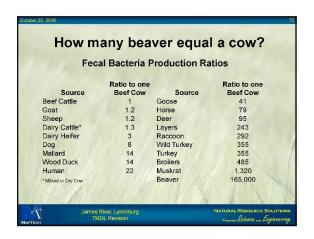


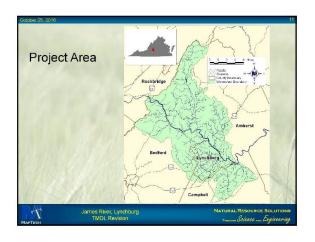


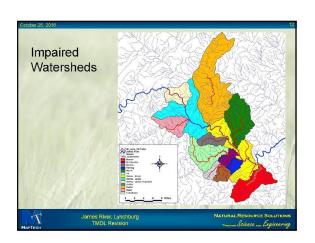


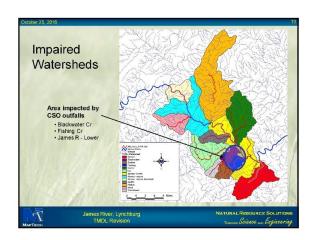


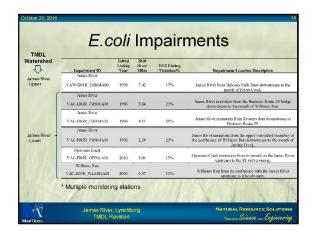


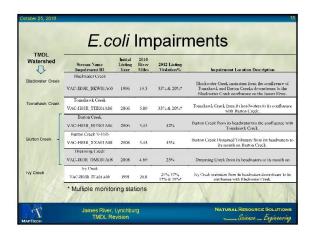


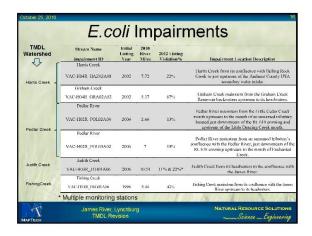


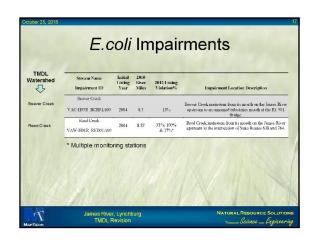


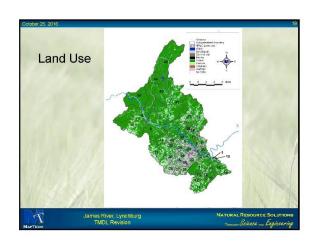


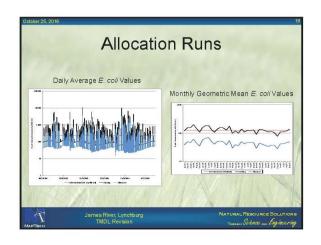


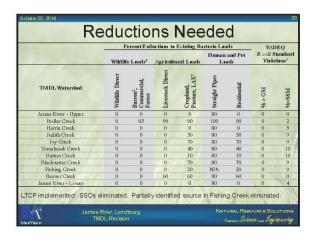




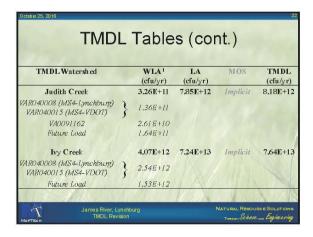








TMDLWatershed	WLA	LA	MOS	TMDL
	(cfu/yr)	(cfu/yr)		(cfu/yr)
James River - Upper	2.27E+11	4.41E+15	Implicit	4.41E+15
Future Load	2.27E+11			
Pedlar River	7.86E+11	3.85E+13	Implicit	3.93E+13
Future Load	7.86E+11			
Harris Creek	1.02 E+13	4.15E+14	Implicit	4.25E+14
VAR04001 5 (MS4-VDOT)	1.60E+12			
VA0063657	2.61E+10			
VA0082546	2.61E+10			
VA0027618	6.97E+10			
Future Load	8.50E+12			



TMDL Watershed		WLA (cfu/yr)	LA (cfu/yr)	MOS	TMDL (cfu/yr)
Tomahawk Creek		1.01E+12	9.85E+12	Implicit	1.09E+13
VARO40008 (MS4-Lynchburg) VARO40015 (MS4-VDOT)	}	7.87E+11			
Future Load		2.18E+11			
Burton Creek VARO40008 (MS4-Lynchburg)		3.47E+12	5.22E+12	Implicit	8.69E+12
VARO40015 (MS4-VDOT) VARO40118 (MS4-CVCC)	}	3.29E+12			
Future Load		1.74E+11			



TMDL Tables (cont.)					
TMDL Watershed		WLA (cfu/yr)	LA (cfu/yr)	MOS	TMDL (cfu/yr)
Fishing Creek		3.76E+13	1.86E+13	Implicit	5.62E+1
VAR040008 (MS4-Lynchburg) VAR040015 (MS4-VDOT)	}	1.49E+13			
VA0024970 (CSO) 3		2.16E+13			
Pictive Load		1.12E+12			
Beaver Creek		3.26E+11	1.38E+13	Implicit	1.41E+1
VA0062031		4.18E+10			
VAG407278		1.74E+09			
Figure Load		2.82E+11			

