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ONONDAGA LAKE PARTNERSHIP (OLP)
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – SPECIAL SESSION
December 18, 2009

1. ATTENDEES

Committee Members Present:

Lieutenant Colonel (LTC) Daniel B. Snead, District Commander, USACE, Buffalo District (tc)
Mr. Seth Ausubel, Chief, New York Watershed Management Section, USEPA Region 2 (tc)
Ms. Mary Jane Peachey, Regional Engineer, NYSDEC, Region 7 (tc)
(Alt. for Mr. Kenneth Lynch, Regional Director, NYSDEC, Region 7)
Mr. Charles Silver, Environmental Scientist, NYS Office of the Attorney General (tc)
Mr. David Coburn, Director, Onondaga County Office of the Environment (tc)
(Alt. for Ms. Joanie Mahoney, Onondaga County Executive)
Mr. William Owens, Contract Compliance Officer, City of Syracuse (tc)
(Alt. for Mayor Matthew Driscoll, City of Syracuse)

Others In Attendance:

Mr. Steven Vriesen, Program Manager, USACE, Buffalo District (tc)
Ms. Julie Zielinski, Recording Secretary, USACE, Buffalo District (tc)

Committee Members Absent: (none)

2. MEETING ARRANGEMENTS: The meeting was held on Friday, December 18, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. at NYSDEC in Syracuse, New York.

3. AGENDA ITEMS: An Agenda was provided which included the following items:

a. Opening Remarks: LTC Snead welcomed everyone to the special session meeting and thanked them for accomodating the urgent request.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. OLP Resolution 2009-5: Mr. Coburn explained the draft resolution to the Partners and added that the Project Committee had reviewed it and recommended approval. This resolution increases funding in the amount of \$1,194,000 for the Onondaga Lake Water Quality Model (OLWQM), OLP project FY06-10 to include the two process studies included in the recent

stipulation of the ACJ. It also reserves funds for a third sediment redox study pending approval by the Project Committee. A Motion was moved by Mr. Ausubel, seconded by Mr. Owens and approved with 4 Ayes and 1 Abstention (Onondaga County).

MOTION: The Executive Committee approves OLP Resolution 2009-5.

b. OLP Resolution 2009-6: Mr. Ausubel explained the draft resolution to the partners. He also reiterated that USEPA grant funds expire September 30, 2012. Mr. Dere brought to the attention of the Project Committee at their meeting on December 17, 2009 that there is a funding shortage of approximately \$239k. Mr. Dere also announced at that meeting that OEI has only \$22,139.39 remaining in their grant and requires additional funding to administer the EPA grants through 2012. Mr. Ausubel recommended that the OLP use the remaining EPA funds to work on the following four essential tasks to be accomplished through 2012: 1) the mudboils, OEI administration duties, lake model peer review, and the outreach program. The resolution modifies the budgets of OLP Project Nos. FY06-12 OLP Project Support, FY06-11 OLP Project Committee Support Services, FY06-7 Onondaga Lake Local Watershed Coordinator, FY04-4 Onondaga Lake Watershed Database/GIS Development, FY05-6 OEI Project Management and Program Summary, and FY05-18 Tully Valley Mudboil Area, Remediation Monitoring and Control. Mr. Ausubel stated that approval of this Resolution could wait until the next Executive Committee meeting on February 1, 2010. If OEI does not have sufficient funding through February 2010 Mr. Ausubel will call for a three-month stop gap resolution. Mr. Ausubel will contact Dr. Michalenko for further clarification.

ACTION ITEM: USACE to add draft OLP Resolution 2009-6 to the February 1, 2010 Agenda for further discussion.

5. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Number	Date of Origin	Due Date	Action Officer	Tasking	Status
E09-6	17-Aug-09		City of Syracuse	Determine the number of creek users.	In-progress
E09-7	17-Aug-09		Ausubel	Draft/develop OLP position regarding primary contact recreation in the creek.	In-progress