

Meeting Minutes
Indian Creek Watershed Steering Committee
October 8, 2007, 6:30 p.m., Painted Hills Clubhouse

In Attendance:

Pat Clark
Bob Atnip
Norman Voyles
Debra Ashack
Jennifer Sobecki
Terry Fenimore
Jacob Hougham
Brett Lackey

Debra:

- Noted mistake in TMDL Document-distributed email with details
- Validity of TMDL data itself is being questioned, per Bonnie at IDEM
- Expressed the need to assess the magnitude of problems to prioritize
- Several maps, visual assessment of TMDL site data, budget info, and problem statement table/flow charts distributed

Pat:

- Goal for meeting: continue/finish problem statements
- Remaining problem statements (#'s 3-5) were discussed, edited, and adopted as a group (several statements were edited and adopted from draft statements previously completed and provided by Jennifer).
- **#3 Nutrients:** Excess aquatic plant growth, an indicator of excess nutrient loading, is present within the Indian Creek Watershed.
- **Note:** Jennifer suggested the group look at waterwordsthatwork.com
- **#4 Trash:** Illegal dumping and litter raise concerns regarding water quality, safety, quality of life, and property value.
- **#5 Exotic and/or Invasive Species:** Exotic and/or Invasive aquatic and terrestrial species have been found throughout Indian Creek Watershed and have been linked to ecosystem disruption, economic loss, loss of aesthetics, and possible harm to human health.
- It was decided that **#6 Education** would no longer be a separate/specific problem. Instead, education should be a component of any potential solutions and inherent in the steering committee's overall goal(s).

Look at magnitude of problems and critical areas for next meeting: **next meeting- Monday December 10th, 6:30-Painted Hills Clubhouse (NO NOVEMBER MEETING)**