

Regional Stormwater Education Program Partners Meeting

July 22, 2025

Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome

Meeting opened at 1pm. A round of introductions was made.

II. Adjustments/changes to the agenda

No changes to the agenda were made.

III. Program Updates (past)

Nora Brown updated the committee on the following events hosted since the previous meeting in April:

1. Hosted 2 stream cleanups: May 3rd (Green Up Day) and June 8th
 - May 3: St. Albans Industrial Park, good turnout of high school seniors
 - June 8: behind Highgate Commons shopping center, lower turnout but area definitely needed attention
2. July 12: "Tales from the Watershed" storytelling event
 - Music, food, and water-related stories from community members
 - Also raffled off rain barrel painted by Gracie
 - Great feedback on the event. Estimate 20 or so attendees, plus multiple partner organizations tabling.

IV. Program updates (upcoming)

Nora Brown and Gracie Grimes provided an update of future programming for the calendar year. Plans for programming include:

1. Plans to add one more stream cleanup on August 30th, addressing same site behind Highgate Commons Shopping Center from other side.
 - a. This will be the last RSEP task for Gracie
2. Plan to create new educational materials (possibly with help from NRPC intern)
 - a. Do's and don'ts of using rain barrel water: one idea

V. Other updates/comments

Nora also informed members that the ECO AmeriCorps program has come to an end, which will have implications for the continuation of this program. Nora and Gracie are both staying on at their respective organizations in the short term, but they will both have reduced capacity for RSEP.

Nora shared that she will be creating procedure documents and checklists documenting the program's functions to smooth any future handoff. The only remaining task after the August 30th stream cleanup will be annual reporting, which she will take care of in early 2026.

Nora also requested permission to make a Franklin County Stormwater Instagram account, which the committee approved.

VI. Date for future meeting

The next meeting will take place on October 21st, 2025 at 1pm.

VII. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 1:20pm.