



DATE: July 10, 2017
TO: Members of the Southeast Florida Utility Council
FROM: Virginia Walsh, SEFLUC Secretary
SUBJECT: **Meeting – Monday, July 10, 2017**
1:30 AM – 4:00 PM
City of Boca Raton
6500 Congress Ave.
Boca Raton, Florida 33487

1) Administrative:

- a) Welcome, Call to Order, Introductions (Natalia Garcia, City of Sunrise).
Call to order Natalia Garcia 1:50 pm
Introductions
- b) Review and Approval SEFLUC Meeting Minutes for June 12, 2017 (Chris Pettit, Palm Beach County, Virginia Walsh, Miami-Dade County)
Motion to approve: Dennis Westrick/City of Coconut Creek
2nd: Bertha Goldenberg, Miami-Dade County
- c) Treasurer's Report
 - a. Lauren Burack on maternity leave – will have updated for next meeting

2) Regulatory/Legislative:

- a) Regulatory Update (Lisa Wilson-Davis, City of Boca Raton) – combined with Kristin Melton's below.
- b) Legislative Update (Kristin Melton, De La Parte and Gilbert):
 - **HB 379 - Underground Utilities – In effect as of July 1, 2017**
 - Call 9-1-1 when “escape of any..” hazardous material as defined in 49 CFR 172.101
 - Annual report to system by March 31st for previous year – More information to come.

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- **SB 1018 – Pollution – In effect as of July 1, 2017**
 - Kristen gave an overview of the FDEP website
 - Website and Form
 - <http://dep.state.fl.us/pollutionnotice/>
 - <http://dep.state.fl.us/pollutionnotice/PollutionNoticeForm.pdf>
 - ***Sewer Overflow Response Plans (SORP) and similar documents need to be updated.***
 - “Reportable Releases”
 - Air, land, or waters of the state, not authorized by law and reportable to State Watch Office
 - Provide Department information submitted to State Watch Office w/in 24 hours
 - If migration occurs after initial notice, additional reporting w/in 24-hrs of discover of migration is mandated
 - Department will publish notices on website
 - Has electronic mailing list of local governments, DOH, news, and other interested parties.
 - Interested parties can sign up on the website listed above
 - E-mail address and on-line option for submitting information
 - <mailto:pollution.notice@dep.state.fl.us>
 - **HB 1021 Construction – In effect as of July 1, 2017**
 - ***Utilities may not charge impact fee or payment for a separate water connection for one-two family dwelling fire sprinkler system as described below.***
- (b) 1. A county, municipality, special taxing district, public utility, or private utility may not require an impact fee or payment for a separate water connection for a one-family or two-family dwelling fire sprinkler system if the capacity required is hydraulically available at the property line. The accountholder of the one-family or two-family dwelling must notify the county, municipality, special district, public utility, or private utility of the installation of the separate water connection in the applicable permit. The separate water connection may only be used for one-family or two-family dwelling fire sprinkler systems and if used for other purposes, full base and volume charges may be applied.
2. A county, municipality, special district, public utility, or private utility may not charge a

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water or sewer rate to a one-family or two-family dwelling that requires a larger water meter solely due to the installation of fire sprinklers above that which is charged to a one-family and two-family dwelling with a base meter. If the installation of fire sprinklers in a one-family or two-family dwelling requires the installation of a larger water meter, only the difference in actual cost between the base water meter and the larger water meter may be charged by the water utility provider.

- **Looking ahead to 2018**

- Blue Star Legislation
- Reclaimed water
- Visits to legislative members

- **CFWI Rulemaking**

- July 18, 2017, CFWI Workgroup meeting
 - 9:00am
 - Ft. Lauderdale Harbor Beach Marriott
- July 26, 2017, Regional Water Supply Planning Team meeting
 - 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

601 South Lake Destiny Road, Suite 200
Maitland, FL 32751
Conference call: 888-670-3525
Participant Code: 5591385215

- **EPA - Effluent Limitations Guidelines and Standards for Dental Offices**

- Existing Dental Offices – Effective July 14, 2020
- New Dental Offices (or transfer of ownership) – Effective July 14, 2017
- Requires dental offices discharging amalgam wastewater to a domestic WWTF to install amalgam separation or removal equipment and/or use BMPs for other disposal methods.
- Requires dental offices to only use non-oxidizing, non-acidic products to clean water lines, traps, and vacuum lines that discharge amalgam wastewater.
- Reporting and record keeping requirements
 - Dental Offices required to submit a one-time Compliance Report to the domestic wastewater facility.
 - Existing Dental Offices: October 12, 2020
 - New Dental Offices (or transfer of ownership): within 90 days of introducing wastewater to system

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- ***Utilities need to develop system to track the one-time compliance reporting requirements.***

- **EPA - Waters of the United States (WOTUS)**
 - EPA pre-publication of rule on July 5, 2017.
 - Repeals prior rules and returns the status of federally jurisdictional waters back to as it existed prior to the 2015 “Clean Water Rule”
 - 30-day comment period after rule publication.
 - <https://www.epa.gov/wotus-rule>

- **EPA – Lead and Copper Rule – Long Term Revisions**
 - Published October 2016 Lead and Copper Rule Revisions White Paper ([Lead and Copper Rule Revisions White Paper](#)) which provides examples of regulatory options to improve the existing rule. The paper highlights key challenges, opportunities, and analytical issues presented by these options. Options include lead service line replacement, improving optimal corrosion control treatment requirements, consideration of a health-based benchmark, the potential role of point-of-use filters, clarifications or strengthening of tap sampling requirements, increased transparency, and public education requirements
 - [Read more about the current Lead and Copper Rule.](#)

- **EPA - Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act**
 - The [Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation \(WIIN\) Act](#) made changes to the Notice to Persons Served (Section 1414 (c)) of the [Safe Drinking Water Act \(SDWA\)](#).
 - These include the requirement that EPA, with states and public water systems (PWS), notify and provide information to homes and communities once EPA receives drinking water data that indicates a household has drinking water levels above EPA’s lead action level (0.015 mg/L). These notifications are in addition to those currently required under the existing [Lead and Copper Rule](#).
 - **Read the draft final plan:** [Strategic Plan for Targeted Outreach to Populations Affected by Lead Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation \(WIIN\) Act](#)
 - Comments to: WIINStrategicPlan@epa.gov were due by May 12, 2017

- **Lower East Coast Water Supply Plan (LECWSP)**
 - SFWMD is beginning effort to update LECWSP – a presentation will be made at September or October meeting.
 - Currently working on demand projections

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- Modelling to follow
- Expected to be completed in early 2018.
- Utilities will have to update their 10-year water supply plans within 18 months of the Governing Board approval/adoption of the updated plan.

3) Events update:

- a. Upcoming Events (Lisa Wilson-Davis, City of Boca Raton)
Link to upcoming events: <http://sefluc.org/calendar.php>
In addition, the following were advised:
- b. Rafael Frias/Black & Veatch advised of Resilient Utility Coalition Symposium January 25 and 26, 2018; more information to come
- c. 9th Annual Southeast Florida Regional Climate Leadership Summit
Thursday Dec 14 and Friday Dec 15, 2017
Broward County Convention Center, Fort Lauderdale

4) Utility Issues Committees: (Natalia Garcia, City of Sunrise).

- a) Safety Committee Report
June 27 – Cyber Security by Parsons; will have more information for next meeting

5) SEFLUC Business (Natalia Garcia, City of Sunrise).

- a. Report of Activities (Natalia Garcia, City of Sunrise)
Currently revising legal contract with de la Parte & Gilbert, P.A.

6) Presentations:

- a) Lourdes Barbieto, NOVA Consulting – The Pump Station Improvement Program’s Program Controls Management System
- b) Jeff Phillips, P.E., LEED AP, Water Infrastructure Technical Director, The Vinyl Institute - PVC Pipe 101: How it is made and basic characteristics

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7) SEFLUC Upcoming Meeting Presentations (August 14, 2017)

- a) Jason Mills, CDM Smith - What's Wrong with My Well? Simple Assessment for Rehabilitation or Replacement
- b) Frank Brinson, McCafferty Brinson Consulting, Jason Mraz, City of Pompano Beach - Optimizing Replacement Membranes at the Pompano Beach Nanofiltration Plant

Adjourn

Next Meeting

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