

2/11/26 MRJT Notes

CTO: 10:02 AM

Kate Anderson: Luckstone Corp

Aidan Kalua'u: Chesterfield Enviro Engineering

Abigail Ainsley: HCSWCD

Isabella O'brien: TJ

Eric Byers: Henrico Public Schools

Laurie Schoenwisner: DCR

Catherine Mccarthy: Henrico Public Schools

Matt: James River Association

Michael Daniel: Lynchburg Water Resources

David Buenrostro: Blue Sky Fund

Cody Smith: PFSWCD

Charlie Drake: PFSWCD

Nothing has been spent on the grant

We are going to get it. It has been approved.

We will hopefully get by the end of the month

Maura couldn't join, but she let us know it should be going to JRSWCD by the end of the month.

\$10,000 for Septic pumpout in Chesterfield and Peter Francisco SWCD

Isabella asked about \$ for Rain Barrel Workshops

James River SWCD: RCAP urban BMPS? Interested? How would that work with the roundtable and DEQs application process?

Annual Meeting Planning:

Strong attendance and topics

Skyland Lodge (Shenandoah National Park): cost associated?

\$25 park fee per car.

Park and ride lot? Meet and carpool

The conference is usually free, but the cost would be

Search for a sponsor? REI reciprocal sponsorship

Theme: Recreation

Park Rangers are always an option

Demos or experiences should be included

Aidan's Idea: Fisheries in Shenandoah, couldn't fish in the park for a while (presentation on that information)

Eric's Idea: It's a night skies location too so recreational astronomy could be a cool tie in for those staying overnight

Matt's Idea: 2-day retreat option lecture day and field trip day, Bike option (would put together a trail ride)

Lori's Idea: Our State Parks has a model recreation team that offers archery, fly fishing, paddling, etc... We would have to get permission for them to be in the national park, but I'm happy to reach out to see if we can obtain that.

Isabella's Idea: Headwaters Down camping along the James (Matt JRA has ties to documentary crew)

Possible Dates: 9/3-9/4

Round robin:

CEE- Month Long EPA investigation. They audited the Stormwater program, which went really well, and were very complimentary. Education and outreach were one of the best they've ever seen.

David BSF: Ready for Warmer Temps- No school week threw them off routine. Elementary schools are back on routines and same with middle school. After school group (student got

to make their first snowman) HS: Actively recruiting for Mt Rodgers school trip (25 miles in 5 days)

Callie JRSWCD: School Programs- Education event at the Department of Juvenile Justice, animal adaptations, and career day in the future. Poster Contest and Photo Contest: Envirothon Training next week. Thanks Lorne

Matt JRA: Summer Camp registration is now open: topic-based each week. Teach PL is also happening this summer. Please share if interested. Teacher curriculum rental kits are being finalized this week.

Cody PFSWCD: Septic: New Septic Grant \$964,000 2028 100% coverage of pump outs and replacements (October \$140K allocated)

Kate Luckstone: Community Goals: homeschool tours, spirit rocks, where plant managers donate their time and efforts. 9 active quarries in VA and NC. Doing a lot with DEQ with Air Permit modification

Eric Henrico: Living Building for Enviro Ed: groundbreaking this month, with an expected opening this fall.

Abigail HCSWCD: Cover Crop Spot Checks Enviro Ed: 2 New interns MWEE starting in a few weeks

Isabella: Rain Barrel Workshops scheduled for spring, partner with breweries and wineries. The septic BMP pump out grant is a little under \$100K. Scheduled local salt management training in the Rivanna area. NV Regional Commission is leading the way and helping educate other stakeholders.

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