

AWQPF Tech Subgroup DRAFT

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, March 29, 2016 – Illinois Dept. of Ag, FFA Room, Springfield, IL

1:00 pm – 3:30 pm

1:00 – 2:00 pm	Land Measures Table Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Acres of cover crops (Kim Martin and Natalie Prince, FSA)➤ Number of bioreactors and acres treated. If possible, provide watershed. (Marcia Willhite and Trevor Sample, Illinois EPA and Eric Gerth, NRCS)➤ Number of acres of buffers and wetland practice. (Kim Martin and Natalie Prince, FSA, and Mike Chandler and Lisa Beja, IDNR)➤ Acres of perennial/energy crops equal to pasture/hay acreage from 1987 and on 10% of tile-drained land. (Kim Martin and Natalie Prince, FSA)➤ Adding drainage management practice to table (Marcia Willhite, Illinois EPA and Warren Goetsch, IDOA)
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Survey <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Questionnaire update (Mark Schleusener, NASS)➤ Plan for Communications (Eliana Brown, IWRC, and Lauren Lurkins, IFB)
3:00 – 3:10 pm	Inputs and Humans Tables <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Brief update (Lauren Lurkins)
3:10 – 3:30 pm	Next steps and Future Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ May 17, 2016 (Full forum)➤ Jun 14, 2016 (Tech Subgroup)➤ Sep 27, 2016 (Full forum)➤ Oct 11, 2016 (Tech Subgroup)

Subcommittee charge

- a. Determine the best way to share and aggregate BMP implementation data across agencies (so we can track our progress in accomplishing the Illinois Nutrient Loss Reduction Strategy).
- b. Determine what BMP implementation parameters will be tracked (e.g. cover crops, wetlands, buffer strips, etc.) and how it will be aggregated (e.g. per watershed, statewide, lump practices into categories like edge of field, etc.). This includes identifying future data parameters required from producer surveys or transect surveys to track progress in accomplishing the NLRs.
- c. Assess existing BMP implementation data availability over time to advise the policy work group as they select a BMP implementation baseline year.