

# Central Sands Groundwater County Collaborative (CSGCC) Meeting

February 27, 2023 - 10:00 am

via Zoom only

**Present:** Bill Leichtnam (Chair), Bill Clendenning, Jen McNelly, Nathan Sandwick, Mary Robl, Todd Wahler, Ed Hernandez, Mark Piechowski, Patrick Kilbey, Al Rosenthal, Jessica Jungenberg, Natasha Paris, Anna James, Cody Przyblyski, Chris Zindorf, Ray Bossert, Jodi Schappe, Sarah Fleck, Shane Wucherfennig, Dustin Ladd, Kyle Kettner

1. Call to order and attendance
2. Approved meeting minutes from December 19, 2022 (Rozenenthal/Przyblylski)
3. County groundwater updates

Juneau: Dustin - steady selling of reverse osmosis systems with ARPA funds (\$100,000 set aside for systems)

Adams: Cody – plan beach surveillance in early spring or March; Jodi - request for ARPA funds for RO failed, land and water obtained a drone; Kyle Kettner - stream surveying this spring with drone to characterize stream banks and integrate with groundwater model, well sampling campaign will be moved to fall

Waushara: Todd - installed 32 whole house/single point RO systems with ARPA funds, plan second round of private well testing in spring

Wood: Shane - 5-year well testing program showed 11,000 datapoints, good graphics and good coverage across county, comparable to UW-SP data, showed some geographical areas with good results and some bad/hot areas. ARPA proposal has not been moved on by ARPA committee. Bill L: shared well testing results with county board and invited to talk at Milladore meeting.

Portage: Jen - RO ARPA project ongoing since August, free water testing monthly for that program; ARPA funds received for Nelsonville monitoring wells, install planned this spring; county-wide private well sampling planned in June 2022, which is redo of 2017 sampling, to be future presentation to county board. Nathan - Nancy Turick emailed federal funding for clean water infrastructure-related projects, will share via List Serve

Marquette: Pat –5<sup>th</sup>-grade groundwater classes being done, first one completed (Golden Sands R&D)

4. Current research project updates

Jen - report went out to reviewing committee for final edits, which are due March 3. Then goes to DATCP before final roll-out.

5. Research project roll-out

Final date set for April 6, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, Demo Room of Marquette County Services Building, 480 Underwood Avenue, Montello (back single-story building). Will also have a remote option. Pat will arrange for overflow seating and video viewing in the HHS (front) building.

Event notices will be sent out through WGNHS and CSGCC, we can send out to our county boards/contacts. Mike parsons will send to all the contacts we developed at project beginning.

6. Intro to community groundwater management readiness questionnaire/assessment tool

Nathan - Certified Public Management class offered by UW Ext, skill set that could apply in all our rolls; he reviewed a brief assessment tool he developed to include in GW Quality Resource Guide, also discussed Model of Effective Governance

7. Next steps (continued) in developing a monitoring approach, plan

Jen - county conservation staff met with Kevin Masarik, monitoring approaches will be county-dependent based on resources, still think a midsummer symposium will be appropriate

8. Future CSGCC funding

Bill L talked with finance director: one of the counties could handle it and pass through to other counties. May be similar arrangement as ADRC, will talk to corporation counsel.

9. Agenda items for next meeting.

March 27 at 10 am, Pat will try to arrange meeting in Montello, will also have remote option.

If April 24 meeting would be run by Chris Zindorf in Bill L's absence.

10. Adjourn (Schappe/Przyblylski)