



Warner's Pond Task Force: Meeting 7

June 13, 2024



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Goals for Today



- All Task Force members develop a clear picture of dam removal “fundamentals”: how it works, mechanics of implementation, restoration requirements, and potential impacts
- Work Groups are “launched”: mandates, membership, and timelines are clear and agreed on

Agenda

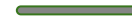
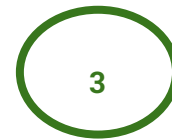
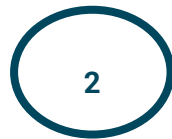


- 5:00 Welcome and Updates
- 5:10 Approve May 9, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- 5:15 Dam removal “fundamentals”: Presentations and Q&A with
MA DER and EA
- 6:30 Discussion on Work Groups membership, mandates and
timelines
- 6:55 Next Steps
- 7:00 Public Comment (limited to 2 mins per person)
- 7:10 End

Group Process Arc



We are here!



- Clarify mandate, norms & roles
- Share different goals/interests
- Begin to identify shared decision-making criteria

- Develop shared understanding of the facts/issues
- Clarify options
- Identify unanswered questions

- Research unanswered questions
- Bring in experts as needed

- Evaluate options against criteria
- Build consensus
- Decide

Dam Removal “Fundamentals”



- Joseph Gould, Ecological Restoration Specialist, MA DER
 - Presentation on how dam removal works, mechanics of implementation, restoration requirements, and potential impacts
 - Q&A
- Alex Patterson and Amy Hunt, EA
 - Q&A on 2023 Alternatives Report methodology and findings
 - Ongoing work sediment characterization, 30% dam removal design
 - Opportunities for additional research

Discussion on Work Groups: Suggested Membership & Timeline

- Work Group 1: Dredging
 - Jeff Quick, Keith, Delia, Chris
 - Report out at July 18 meeting
- Work Group 2: Dam removal
 - Liz, Jeff Collins, Malcolm, Vickie
 - Report out at July 18 meeting
- Work Group 3: No action
 - Mark, Bert, Bill
 - Report out at June 27 meeting
- Work Group 4: Recreation, History and Character (cross-cutting)
 - Paul, Ann, Bruce, Sven, David
 - Report out at July 18 meeting
- DNR information gathering on finances (cross-cutting)
 - Report out at June 27 meeting

Next Steps: Criteria



- All TF members who responded can “live with” criteria
- Some revisions incorporated
- Meeting survey

Next Steps



- Site visits on June 15 and June 22, 9:30am
- Public Workshop: June 20, 5:30-7pm at Harvey Wheeler
- Next TF meeting June 27 at Harvey Wheeler
- Future meetings 7/18 (extended?), 8/13
- Dam removal site visit?

Public Comment



- Be respectful
- Avoid personal attacks
- Max 2 minutes/speaker



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