

BACTERIA IMPLEMENTATION GROUP
Illicit Discharges & Dumping Workgroup
Wednesday, November 19, 2008
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Individuals Present:

BIG Liaison – Pat Buzbee by phone (Montgomery County); Michael Bloom (PBS & J); Catherine Elliott (HCFCD); Roy Elizondo by phone (Montgomery County Environmental); Linda Broach (TCEQ); Steven Johnston (TCEQ); Ralph Calvino (AECOM); Darrel Reed by phone (Montgomery County); Steve Hupp (HCPHES-EPH); James Walls (Harris County); Denise Hall (HCPHES-EPH); Robert Snoza (HCFCD); Chad Richards (PBS & J)

H-GAC Staff Present:

Carl Masterson; Rachel Powers; Erin Anderson

Sources:

- SSO
- Direct discharge of toilet to ground/channel
- Grease traps tied into stormwater system
- Unpermitted/permitted facilities' stormwater runoff
- Improperly stored nutrients
- Turf farms/nurseries
- Dumping of waste
- Hauling of waste
- Leaking dumpsters
- Cosmetic washing sources

Implementation Activities:

- FOG education
- Walking channels and mapping direct dischargers (HCFCD doing this – Outfield data program)
- Dry weather outfall monitoring (Harris County, doesn't seem effective)
- Major outfall database (Harris County)
- TxDOT has outfall database
- Proactive inspection program, make sure they have appropriate permits
 - High-risk industrial stormwater permit inspection program
- Add to permits nutrient sampling requirement
- Better control of waste haulers, monitor trip tickets
- Provide convenient and cost effective method of collecting HHW to encourage proper disposal/permanent facility
- Wet weather screening

Next meeting:

Monday, December 15, 2008, 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM, H-GAC offices, Conference Room B