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MEETING - STATE WATER RESOURCES BOARD, DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES AND EPA

REPRESENTATIVES - 1201 Greenbrier Street, Charleston, WV

Meeting got under way with introduction of EPA representatives and John Hall then began by requesting information from EPA - re: staffing, caliber of peroples that would be required by the division to assume the NPDES program.

Ray George (EPA) went into detail on EPA would require technically to bring WRD into compliance monitoring, technically, etc. as some of our field personnel cannot be adequately trained in some aspects. A training program was suggested in some areas. Also discussed was lab space .

Memo of understanding was mentioned - also EPA is to submit within 10 days a list of personnel needed - based on our present staff to take over the NPDES permit program.

It was suggested that we use an application from another State to use as a guideline for WV - also a consultant may be retained to draw up or develope a program DOCUMENT. EPA would stand by to give us or anyone else that wished or desired - advice.

The WV Legislative Review Committee was also mentioned - and the length of time it took to get a regulation into effect. A flow chart is to be drawn up by WRD and submitted to EPA.

How permits would be converted was discussed - would we use the present NPDES and ORDER all others void? Permit requirements should be consistent. Major permits may be transferred and State permits rescinded - this would be put into a memo of understanding. Other permits would be modified every 5 years - the length of the permit.

PL 95-87 was discussed briefly - who has authority - water resources or reclamation inspectors. If violation of NPDES occurs, who takes who to court?

Ways of coal mining was discussed - technical ways in WV. Number of major dischargers in WV was an inquiry brought up - seems to be a question of how many. Can 208 provide info on major/minor dischargers?

Reclamation's authority to shut down a mine was also discussed - WRD cannot do it.

Meeting was continued until August 14th - tentative date.