

Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint (ACF) River Basin Stakeholders
GOVERNING BOARD

Unicoi State Park and Lodge
Helen, GA

September 12-14, 2012
1:30 pm Wednesday – 12:30 pm Friday

DRAFT AGENDA

Meeting Objectives/Desired Outcomes:

- **Receive an update from the Technical Oversight and Contracting Work Group (TOCWG) including status updates on performance criteria, IFA, unimpaired flows, water demands and other SWMP/IFLLA tasks;**
- **Discuss potential next Phase of SWMP;**
- **Learn about recent climate change assessments and the potential implications to water management in the ACF Basin**
- **Discuss water management alternatives with expert panel;**
- **Hear update from US Army Corps of Engineers on Water Control Manual and June 2012 Remand Modeling Technical Report**
- **Hear updates from The University Collaborative (TUC) and River Forecast Center;**
- **Learn about USGS WaterSMART efforts in the ACF;**
- **Learn about other ACFS committee and work group activities, and organize next steps including:**
 - **Financial report and learn about ongoing fundraising activities;**
 - **Update on membership recruitment activities;**
 - **Intergovernmental Affairs and Education and Outreach.**
- **Suggest topics for next Governing Board meeting and plan next steps.**

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

1:00-1:30 **Informal Gathering, Registration**

1:30-1:50 **Welcome, Introductions, Meeting Objectives and Agenda**

Advance materials: ACFS Sep 12-14 2012 Governing Board Meeting Draft Agenda.

Charles Stripling, ACFS Chair

Gail Bingham, facilitator

1:50-2:00 **Old Business**

Objective: Approve May meeting summary. Complete any other old business.

Advance materials: ACFS May 30-31 GB Meeting Summary

Charles Stripling, ACFS Chair

2:00-4:15 **SWMP/IFLLA Status Report**

w/ break

Objective: Receive progress report from TOCWG Chair Brad Moore and from technical consultants B&V and Atkins including updates on on-going Task Orders work including on IFA, unimpaired flows and water demands, summary of meetings with state and federal agencies on SWMP/IFA, and recommendation for approval for next Phase of SWMP/IFA project.

*Advance materials: Executive Summary of Atkins Task Order 2 Deliverable:
Approaches to Development of Environmental Flows and Levels for the ACF
River Basin; State Agency Meeting Notes; Motion to Approve Phase D of
SWMP/IFA*

Presentations [60 min]

*Brad Moore, Chair TOCWG
Steve Simpson, Black & Veatch
Tom Singleton, Atkins*

Questions and Discussion [60 min]

4:15-5:15 Information Session: “ACF Water Resources: Managing Demand and Climate Change”
*Objective: Learn about recent climate change assessments and their implication for
water resources planning and management in the ACF Basin.*

Presentation [30 min]

Dr. Aris Georgakakos, Georgia Tech Water Resources Institute

Questions and Discussion [30 min]

5:15-5:30 Public Comment

5:30 ADJOURN FOR THE DAY
Dinner on your own

Thursday, September 13, 2012

7:30-8:00 Breakfast: Unicoi Lodge Atrium

8:00-8:15 Reconvene Governing Board Meeting
Objective: Reflection from Day One; Review agenda for today.

*Charles Stripling, ACFS Chair
Gail Bingham, facilitator*

8:15-10:15 Water Management Alternatives Expert Panel
*Objectives: Gain insights on the pros and cons of water management alternatives for
achieving equitable and sustainable solutions in the ACF basin and hear what experts
suggest regarding water management alternatives that might have the greatest benefit to
the most stakeholders and why.*

*Carol R. Collier, Delaware River Basin Commission
John “Woody” Wodraska, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
(ret) and South FL Water Mgmt District (ret)
Brian Richter, The Nature Conservancy
Daniel P. Sheer, Hydrologics*

Introductions and welcome [10 min]

Opening Remarks [40-50 min]

Facilitated Panel Discussion [60-70 min]

- 10:15-10:30 **BREAK**
- 10:30-12:30 Discussion in Small Groups with WMA Expert Panel Members
Objectives: Provide an opportunity for ACFS members to ask questions of the experts with experience in a small group setting. Panel members will have 20-25 minutes with each small group. Small groups will then have about 10-15 minutes to identify additional questions to ask the panel after lunch.
- 12:30-2:00 **LUNCH**
Luncheon speaker [45 min]
 John Erbele, General Manager of Smithgall Woods
- 2:00-3:30 Water Management Alternatives Expert Panel – Closing Session
Objectives: Provide an opportunity for follow up questions to the panel as a whole and hear additional comments from the experts based on what they learned about ACFS during the small group discussions.
- *panel responds to questions developed by each small “table group” (30 minutes)*
 - *questions from individuals (20 minutes)*
 - *closing remarks from panelists (10 min each)*
- 3:30-3:45 **BREAK**
- 3:45-4:30 Information Session: Update from US Army Corps of Engineers
Objective: Update on Water Control Manual revisions and discussion of June 2012 ACF Remand Modeling Technical Report
- Presentation [30 min]*
 Pete Taylor, USACE
- Questions and Discussion [15 min]*
- 4:30-5:00 Information Session: Drought in the ACF Basin
Objectives: Weather and Water Outlook
- Presentation [15 min]*
 John Feldt, Blue Water Outlook
- Questions and Discussion [15 min]*
- 5:00-5:25 Information Session: Update from University Collaborative
Objective: Update from TUC on Institutional Options Study
- Presentation [15 min]*
 Laurie Fowler, University of Georgia
- Questions and Discussion [10 min]*
- 5:25-5:30 Public Comment
- 5:30 **ADJOURN FOR THE DAY**
- 6:15 **Reception and Dinner: Unicoi Lodge**

Friday, September 14, 2012

- 7:30-8:00 Breakfast: Unicoi Lodge Atrium
- 8:00-8:05 Reconvene Governing Board Meeting
Objective: Reflection from previous days; Review agenda for today.
Charles Stripling, ACFS Chair
Gail Bingham, facilitator
- 8:05-8:45 Open Discussion
*Objectives: Complete any unresolved decisions carried over from previous days.
Address additional topics that arose during the meeting.*
- 8:45-9:45 Discussion of next steps of SWMP/IFA
*Objective: Discuss upcoming activities in SWMP/IFA including fall caucus meetings,
IFA work to be completed by October 11, and use of water management alternatives
template to solicit stakeholder recommendations*
Advance materials: TBD
Presentation [30 min]
Brad Moore, Technical Oversight Work Group Chair
Steve Simpson, Black & Veatch
Tom Singleton, Atkins
Facilitated Discussion [30 min]
- 9:45-10:30 Review of Summer Caucus Meetings
*Objective: Receive an update on summer caucus meetings on performance metrics from
B&V*
Advance materials: Performance Metrics Summary Table
Presentation [45 min]
- 10:30-10:45 BREAK
- 10:45-11:45 Information Session – USGS WaterSMART Program
Objective: Learn about environmental flows portion of the USGS WaterSMART
Presentations [40 min]
Mary Freeman, USGS Georgia Water Science Center
Questions and Discussion [20 min]
- 11:45-12:15 Committee and Work Group Status Reports
*Objectives: Learn about current committee and work group activities. Includes current
financial report, fundraising activities and other committee activities.*
Advance materials: Financial Statement; Fundraising Report
Finance Committee and Fundraising [10 min]
Jim McClatchey, Finance Committee chair
Brad Currey/Wilton Rooks, Fundraising

Membership [5 min]

Dan Tonsmeire, *Membership Committee EC Liaison*

Education and Outreach Committee [5 min]

Dan Tonsmeire, *Education and Outreach Committee EC Liaison*

Intergovernmental Affairs Committee [10 min]

Betty Webb, *Interagency Committee chair*

12:15-12:30

Wrap up and Next Steps

Objectives: Summarize decisions and next steps, with assignments. Identify possible topics for the December meeting, and discuss dates and location.

12:30

ADJOURN MEETING

DRAFT