Wastewater Infrastructure Policy Working Group December 15, 2023, 1:00 PM TO 3:00 PM Meeting Summary

Meeting Location: Virginia Department of Health Room UB11 109 Governor Street Richmond, Virginia 23219

Virtual: Virtual access via WebEx platform.

List of Attendees:

Working Group Members

Lance Gregory- Virginia Department of Health (VDH) Scott Morris – Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

Other Participants

Karen Doran	Anthony Creech	Gregory Powers	Danna Revis
Joey Hiner	Vincent Day	Aaron Sizemore	Briana Heath
Charlie Paulin	Elizabeth Andrews	Kirk Havens	Molley Mitchell
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1. Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions

Mr. Morris welcomed the attendees and called the meeting to order.

2. Review Summary from September 29, 2023.

Meeting summary was approved.

3. Needs assessment report update.

Mr. Morris reported the Needs Assessment was still under review.

4. 2023 Report to the General Assembly.

The workgroup walk through the draft report to the General Assembly. This included an updated on the funding projects at DEQ and VDH. Mr. Gregory reported that a total of 164 Septic and Well Assistance Projects (SWAP) had been installed, with 91 of those being onsite sewage system projects. VDH also completed 26 onsite sewage system repair projects through a grant from the Virginia Environmental Endowment, with 5 of those projects also receiving funding from SWAP.

5. Meeting Dates for 2024

The group suggested an initial meeting for the workgroup in July and a second meeting in October for 2024.

Mr. Gregory discussed including an assessment of affordability of wastewater in Virginia as part of the work for 2024.

Attendees also suggested discussions of a long term funding strategy.

6. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

7. Adjournment

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