FO1 Team: Sustainable Water Use Team

November 6, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Location: CHFA, 999 West Street #3019, Rocky Hill

Attendees: Doug Hoskins, Seema Malani, Rebecca French, Steven Harkey

Review of Previous Meeting Minutes

https://portal.ct.gov/GreenerGov/Project-Teams/Project-Teams-Meeting-Minutes

• Previous minutes were reviewed and accepted.

Team Leader Assignment: The original team leader had to step down from the assignment. Pending approval from her management, Rebecca French volunteered to be the new team leader.

Discussion

- The team member's assignments from the previous meeting were discussed
 - The water audit draft is being worked on using the research that has been conducted so far. The audit is being drafted to obtain current status of the facility, previous water efficiency efforts, and broad enough to work for the various facilities of the state.
 - Communications campaign and signs were discussed. Examples of signs were reviewed. Location specific versions were discussed. It was also discussed that the team does not have access to the kinds of graphical programs that would be needed to create excellent signs. Successful efforts to contact the public engagement team to help with the design and standardization was discussed.
 - Waterless urinals were discussed. The Alliance 4 Water Efficiency was contacted for further information on waterless urinals. The information was reviewed. Despite significant drawbacks identified by the Alliance, it was determined that a small pilot study may still be warranted.
 - Storm water pilot project and information was discussed. Greenscaping was discussed.
 The City of Hartford storm water run-off reduction and other storm water management was discussed.
- Recommendations for state policies was discussed
 - Recommend that a state policy regarding construction and renovations include guidelines in bathroom and kitchen fixtures be considered/installed that meet EPA Water Sense guidelines.
 - Recommend that a state policy regarding green landscaping and semi-pervious hard surfaces be considered/installed to help retain and reduce storm water runoff.
- DAS building energy/water audit was discussed. The scope of the water portion was unknown. It
 was thought that the ASHRAE 211 standard was going to be used. The duplication of effort of
 having 2 water audits was discussed. Further information was needed.

Further Actions

• Possibility of inviting someone from EPA-Region 1 to present at a Steering Committee meeting on Water Sense was discussed. All were in favor.

- Homework assignments were discussed
- The next team meeting date and location was discussed.