

Model Aquatic Health Code (MAHC)

STEERING COMMITTEE

CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 10, 2008, 2:30–4:00 PM

Members Present: Michael Beach, Doug Sackett: Director, Chip Cleary, Joe Hunsaker, Bob Vincent, John Linn, Charles Otto, Amanda Long: Assistant to the Director, and Lee Tate: Project Coordinator.

Members Absent: Steve Goode and Chuck Neuman.

1. August 13 Minutes: The August 13 conference call minutes were approved.

2. Technical Committee (TC) Updates:

Disinfection & Water Quality – The committee's next conference call is on September 18.

Operator Training – The committee will hold their next conference call on September 18.

Contamination Burden – The Steering Committee (SC) discussed at length the terminology defining contamination burden and bather load. The Contamination Burden Technical committee will hold their first conference call in the near future. A standardized TC reporting form will be developed and provided to the SC for comment.

Ventilation & Air Quality and Monitoring & Testing – The committee chairpersons are currently reviewing the list of interested members for their respective committees.

Filtration and Recirculation – A committee chairperson has been selected.

3. TC Scopes of Work: The TC Scopes of Work document has been sent out for comment and is almost final. The document will be published on the MAHC website shortly along with the MAHC Strawman outline.

4. MAHC Modules:

Fecal/Vomit/Blood Contamination Response – Final edits will be discussed and then the module will be posted for a 60 day public comment on the MAHC website. SC members were asked to send in ideas on what should be included in the corresponding Annex to this module.

Enteric Illness Outbreak Response – CDC has published their Cryptosporidium Outbreak Response & Evaluation (CORE) Guidelines, which will provide outbreak response guidance to health departments. The SC should review these guidelines and consider how they can be adapted to fit the Enteric Illness Outbreak Response Annex of the MAHC.

5. MAHC Website: The website is being reformatted and new content will be posted shortly. It will contain a link for people to provide their comments to the MAHC@CDC.gov email address. The draft comment form was briefly discussed and it was requested that suggested changes be sent in by the 19th.

6. Colorado Meeting: Logistics for the October 15 meeting in Colorado were discussed. Handouts should be made available at the World Aquatic Health Conference that summarize the MAHC project and progress.

The call adjourned at 4 PM.