

# Peoria Lakes Basin Alliance

*“A Unified Voice for the Restoration and Preservation of the Peoria Lakes”*

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## PEORIA LAKES BASIN ALLIANCE

Tuesday, October 10, 2017

12:00 pm

**TCRPC Offices**  
456 Fulton St, Suite 401  
Peoria, IL

### AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Public Comment
- III. Approval of Meeting Minutes for September 19, 2017
- IV. Peoria Lakes Comprehensive Conservation Plan
  1. Project Review Committee member list (Handout)
  2. Discussion of PRC Prioritization Tool
  3. Discussion of PRC Agenda
  4. Discussion of submitting additional projects to USACE for the development of factsheets
- V. Member Reports
  1. Heartland Water Resources Council
  2. The Nature Conservancy
  3. Tri-County Regional Planning Commission
- VI. Other
  1. Next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>
- VII. Adjournment

**Peoria Lakes Basin Alliance  
Tuesday September 19, 2017  
TCRPC Offices**

**MINUTES**

**ATTENDEES:**

The Nature Conservancy:	Jason Beverlin, Doug Blodgett via phone
Heartland Water Resources Council:	Tom Tincher, and Wayne Ingram
Tri-County Regional Planning Commission:	Michael Bruner, Reema Abi-Akar, Eric Miller, Ray Lees, Russ Crawford, and Army Corps of Engineers: Marshall Plumley, and Jackie Veninger via phone

**I. Call to Order**

Ingram called meeting to order at 12:00

**II. Public Comment**

No public comment

**III. Approval of Meeting Minutes for August 8, 2017 and Special Meeting August 29, 2017**

- August 8<sup>th</sup>- Beverlin moved to approve and Ingram seconded. Motion carried.
- August 29<sup>th</sup>- Beverlin moved to approve and Ingram seconded. Motion carried.

**IV. Peoria Lakes Comprehensive Conservation Plan.**

1. Project Review Committee (PRC) Invitations  
Bruner explained the corrections and changes on the invitation. Bruner went over Jason Beverlin's comments from previous emails. Beverlin recommended to delete the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> bullet point. Miller recommended changing the last bullet point to "Support the outcome of the planning process." Blodgett recommended to delete "Agree to" on all the bullet points.
2. Discussion of who is inviting the PRC members  
Bruner said it would be ideal for the PLBA Committee members to follow up with the PRC invitations. They then reviewed the list of who would follow up with who. Blodgett stated that he did not feel comfortable to have two representatives of The Nature Conservancy on the PRC. It was

recommended to changes Beverlin's category to Tourism and Recreation and organization to Illinois River Scenic Byway. Bruner noted that staff has not been able to reach David McCormick. It was recommended to switch to Scott Wallace if staff was unable to reach McCormick.

PRC Member	PLBA Contact
Kathryn Spitznagle	Russ
Jim Goff	Tom
Denny Kief	Eric
Tom Tincher	Russ
Eric Schenck	Jason
Doug Blodgett	
Scott Wallace	Jason
Jim Ardis	Ray
Dave Mingus	Russ
Steve Van Winkle	
Nerissa McClelland	Doug
Gregg Good	Doug
Evelyn Sanguinetti	Doug
Wayne Ingram	
Jason Beverlin	
Russ Crawford	
Nancy Scott	Ray
Doug Rendleman	Ray
Mike Denussue	Tom
Nani Bhowmik	Tom

3. Discussion of Potential PRC meeting times and locations.  
Bruner suggested some locations such as Clock Tower in East Peoria, Peoria Riverfront Museum, Toney Oaks, and here at Tri County. The 1<sup>st</sup> meeting is scheduled on Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup>.
4. Discussion of PRC Prioritization Tool
  - Crawford explained the PRC Prioritization tool he created.
  - Miller asked to have everyone go back to the Vision statement and compare with criteria suggestions.
  - Plumley said it was all good but there were some grey areas that needed work.
5. Draft USACE Conservation Management Ideas  
Plumley explained the Conservation Management Ideas. Miller asked for the Corp to resend the document with a draft statement and watermark. It is not for public use.

## V. Member Reports

1. Heartland Water Resources Council

Tincher explained the graphics he passed out which are the basic components of collaborating with criteria and connecting our region corridor, and lakefront planning areas.

2. The Nature Conservancy  
Nothing
3. Tri County Regional Planning Commission  
Nothing

**VI. Other**

Next meeting is Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>

**VII. Adjournment**

Adjourned at 2:30 pm

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## Peoria Lake Comprehensive Conservation Plan Project-Prioritization Matrix Tool

- The following criteria & weights are applied to the list of projects/solutions in the ***Prioritization Matrix Tool***.
- Criteria are the filters/measures used to rate each project or solution.
- Determine appropriate weights for each criteria:
  - No less than 90% of all criteria should have a 1 weight (normal weight)
  - No more than 9% of all criteria may have a 2 weight (important weight)
  - No more than 1% of all criteria may have a 3 weight (significant weight)
  - Any multiple weight is at least 2X the weight of normal weight; obviously having a significant mathematical impact upon the evaluation and final outcome.
- The tool is a rating tool; not ranking. All rankings are determined by rating scores only
- Use four rating scores: High-7, Medium-3, Low-1 and No-0 (High ratings are good)

### Criteria & Weights:

- Timely Completion-1
- PLBA/Corp Alignment-1
- Public Support Potential-1
- Sci/Prof Support Potential-1
- Gov't Support Potential-1
- Environmental Impact-1
- Funding Potential-1
- Sustainability-1
- Effective Impact/Value- 2

### Notes:

- It was the view of our team that some of the original criteria should be eliminated or streamlined into other criteria. Sediment Reduction, Bacteria Reduction, Secondary Channel Impacts and Benefits may be considered under the Effective Impact/Value criteria. It was also discussed that we do not have specific Cost criteria data for every suggested project or solution and it would be difficult to obtain and so, eliminated. Difficulty and Complexity issues may be considered in the Timely Completion criteria.
- If these new revised criteria seem familiar, many of you who participated in our analysis and prioritization of streams a few years ago identified and successfully utilized these criteria for that project. Thanks to staff (Michael and Reema) for bringing this to my attention in a discussion at the conclusion of our PLBA meeting.

# Peoria Lakes Comprehensive Conservation Plan

*Planning for Regional Consensus to Preserve the Peoria Lakes*

## AGENDA

**Project Review Committee (PRC)**  
Wednesday, November 1, 2017 at 3:00 pm  
456 Fulton Street, Suite 420  
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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment
4. Committee Introductions
5. Introduction to the Planning Process
6. Public and Stakeholder Input – To date
7. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Conceptual Management Measures
8. Prioritization Criteria and Tool
9. Other
  - a. Next meeting
10. Adjournment



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