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*James W. Ridgway, P.E.  
Executive Director*

## DRAFT AGENDA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, July 12, 2011, 1:30 p.m.  
Longacre House - 24705 Farmington Rd.  
Farmington Hills

1. **Welcome** – Gary Mekjian, Chair
2. **Roll Call of Members** (ECT) and record of others present

<i>Alliance of Rouge Communities Executive Committee</i>		
<b>Officers</b>		
<b>Chair</b>	Gary Mekjian	Farmington Hills
<b>Vice-Chair</b>	Kevin Buford	Westland
<b>Treasurer</b>	Don Rohraff	Livonia
<b>Past Chair</b>	Tim Faas	Canton Twp.
<b>Counties</b>		
<b>Oakland Co. – Rep.</b>	John McCulloch	OCWRC
<b>Oakland Co. – Alt.</b>	Jim Wineka	OCWRC
<b>Oakland Co. – Alt.</b>	Joseph Colaianne	OCWRC
<b>Washtenaw Co.- Rep.</b>	Janis Bobrin	WCWRC
<b>Washtenaw Co.- Alt.</b>	Meghan Bonfiglio	WCWRC
<b>Wayne Co. - Rep.</b>	Kelly Cave	WCDPS
<b>Wayne Co. - Alt.</b>	Noel Mullett	WCDPS
<b>SWAGs</b>		
<b>Main 1 &amp; 2 - Rep.</b>	Brandy Siedlaczek	Southfield
<b>Main 1 &amp; 2 - Alt.</b>	Noah Mehalski	Bloomfield Township
<b>Main 3 &amp; 4 - Rep.</b>	Jim Murray	Dearborn
<b>Main 3 &amp; 4 - Alt.</b>	Vacant	
<b>Upper - Rep.</b>	Vacant	
<b>Upper - Alt.</b>	Kevin Maillard	Livonia
<b>Middle 1 - Rep.</b>	Vacant	Northville Township
<b>Middle 1 - Alt.</b>	Aaron Staup	Novi
<b>Middle 3 - Rep.</b>	Jack Barnes	Garden City
<b>Middle 3 - Alt.</b>	Kevin Buford	Westland
<b>Lower 1 - Rep.</b>	Bob Belair	Canton Township
<b>Lower 1 – Alt.</b>	Vacant	
<b>Lower 2 - Rep.</b>	Ramzi El-Gharib	Wayne
<b>Lower 2 - Alt.</b>	Tom Wilson	Romulus

Auburn Hills  
Beverly Hills  
Bingham Farms  
Birmingham  
Bloomfield Hills  
Bloomfield Twp.  
Canton Twp.  
Commerce Twp.  
Dearborn  
Dearborn Heights  
Farmington  
Farmington Hills  
Franklin  
Garden City  
Henry Ford Community  
College

Lathrup Village  
Livonia  
Melvindale  
Northville  
Northville Twp.  
Novi  
Oak Park  
Oakland County  
Orchard Lake  
Plymouth  
Plymouth Twp.  
Pontiac  
Redford Twp.  
Rochester Hills  
Romulus  
Southfield  
Troy  
Van Buren Twp.  
Walled Lake  
Washtenaw County  
Wayne  
Wayne County  
Westland  
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Cooperating Partners:  
*Cranbrook Institute of Science*  
*Friends of the Rouge*  
*Southeastern Oakland  
County Water Authority*  
*Wayne State University*

### 3. Additions or Changes to Draft Agenda

### 4. Summary of March 23, 2011, Executive Committee Meeting

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### 5. Executive Director Report (Ridgway)

- a. ARC Membership
- b. Grant Status Report

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### 6. Standing Committee Reports (Mekjian)

- a. Finance Committee (Rohraff, Treasurer/O'Meara)
  - i. 2010 Budget vs. Actual
  - ii. 2010 Audit and Financial Statement
  - iii. A/R and A/P Reports
  - iv. 2011 Budget Amendments
  - v. 2011 ECT Contract Amendments
  - vi. 2012 Membership dues (2010 census info)
  - vii. 2012 Budget Preparation Schedule
- b. Organization Committee (Cave, Co-Chair)
  - i. Status Report
- c. PIE (Public Involvement and Education) Committee (Siedlaczek, Chair)
  - i. Status Report
- d. Technical Committee (Zorza, Vice Chair/DeMaria)
  - i. Status Report

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### 7. Report from WCDPS (Cave)

- a. Status Report

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### 8. Report from SWAGS

- b. Status Report

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### 9. Other Business

### 10. Summary of Executive Committee Actions (O'Meara)

### 11. Upcoming Meetings

- PIE Committee Meeting, July 14, lunch at noon, meeting at 1:00 p.m., Beverly Hills
- Technical Committee Meeting, July 21, 2-4 pm at Farmington Hills
- Full ARC Meeting, date (August) and location TBD
- Executive Committee Meeting, October 25, 1:30 p.m., location TBD

### 12. Adjourn



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## DRAFT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

Wednesday, March 23, 2011, 1:30 p.m.  
Community Room, Farmington Hills City Hall  
31555 West Eleven Mile Rd.

### 1. **Welcome** – Gary Mekjian, Chair

### 2. **Roll Call of Members**

ECT took roll call of members and others present. A quorum was present.

<i>ARC Executive Committee</i>			
<i>Officers</i>			<i>Attended Meeting</i>
<b>Chair</b>	Gary Mekjian	Farmington Hills	Y
<b>Vice-Chair</b>	Kevin Buford	Westland	Y
<b>Treasurer</b>	Don Rohraff	Livonia	Y
<b>Past Chair</b>	Tim Faas	Canton Twp.	Y
<i>Counties</i>			
<b>Oakland Co. – Rep.</b>	John McCulloch	OCWRC	N
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<b>Oakland Co. – Alt.</b>	Joseph Colaianne	OCWRC	N
<b>Washtenaw Co. - Rep.</b>	Janis Bobrin	WCWRC	N
<b>Washtenaw Co. - Alt.</b>	Meghan Bonfiglio	WCWRC	Y
<b>Wayne Co. - Rep.</b>	Kelly Cave	WCDPS	N
<b>Wayne Co. - Alt.</b>	Noel Mullett	WCDPS	N
<i>SWAGs</i>			
<b>Main 1 &amp; 2 - Rep.</b>	Brandy Siedlaczek	Southfield	Y
<b>Main 1 &amp; 2 - Alt.</b>	Noah Mehalski	Bloomfield Township	N
<b>Main 3 &amp; 4 - Rep.</b>	Jim Murray	Dearborn	Y
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<b>Upper - Rep.</b>	VACANT		
<b>Upper - Alt.</b>	Kevin Maillard	Livonia	N
<b>Middle 1 - Rep.</b>	Jill Rickard	Northville Township	N
<b>Middle 1 - Alt.</b>	Aaron Staup	Novi	N
<b>Middle 3 - Rep.</b>	Jack Barnes	Garden City	Y
<b>Middle 3 - Alt.</b>	VACANT		
<b>Lower 1 - Rep.</b>	Bob Belair	Canton Township	N
<b>Lower 1 - Alt.</b>	VACANT		
<b>Lower 2 - Rep.</b>	Ramzi El-Gharib	Wayne	Y
<b>Lower 2 - Alt.</b>	Tom Wilson	Romulus	N

**Others Present:** Jim Ridgway, Executive Director; Zachare Ball, Annette DeMaria, and Chris O'Meara, ECT Staff

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Birmingham  
Bloomfield Hills  
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Canton Twp.  
Commerce Twp.  
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Farmington  
Farmington Hills  
Franklin  
Garden City  
Henry Ford Community College  
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### **3. Additions or Changes to Draft Agenda**

There were no additions or changes to the draft agenda.

### **4. Summary of October 14, 2010 Executive Committee Meeting**

The motion was made by Jim Murray to accept the October 14, 2010, meeting summary. The motion was seconded by Tim Faas. Motion passed.

### **5. Executive Director Report**

#### **a. Permit Subcommittee**

Jim Ridgway informed the committee that permit litigation continue to proceed through the courts. The MDEQ withdrew the 2008 permit and had hoped that this would satisfy the communities. The attorneys of several communities have chosen to continue the litigation and have questioned the validity of the 2003 permits as well. The MDEQ has initiated a task force to negotiate an acceptable permit. He stated that staff will continue to attend the working group that the state has put together. A. DeMaria stated that the DEQ is looking at the individual permits and then trying to figure out how watershed groups fit in. ARC staff referenced the 2010 November EPA documents regarding the minimum measures. The next MDEQ work group meeting is scheduled for May 5. Meghan Bonfiglio and Brandy Siedlaczek stated that they attended the March 21 information gathering work group meeting. They used the March 21 meeting to poll stakeholders to determine what we would like to get out of the stakeholder/permit redevelopment process. Meghan Bonfiglio asked the state which permit they were planning to use as a basis for re-writing the permit or were they planning to start from scratch. The answer was that they did not know. The state did say that they plan to have a process and permit by December with a 5-year permit. Jim Murray asked if the EPA has weighed in yet, Jim Ridgway said no.

#### **b. Grants – NOAA, GLRI**

Zachare Ball gave the following summary of the GLRI and NOAA grants.

#### GLRI Grants

##### GLRI 1 (Transforming the Rouge)

- Valley Woods Wetland: in design phase (Southfield is paying for this as match)
- Rouge Park and Eliza Howell Park Grow Zones: in design phase; waiting for Memorandum of Understanding from the City of Detroit to do burns.
- Wayne County Lola Valley (Upper) and Lower Rouge Parkway Grow Zones: WC Parks has signed off on design; bid documents are being developed.
- Project QAPP was developed and approved by EPA
- First pre-monitoring benthics survey was held by FOTR and Wayne County on January 22
- Filed first quarterly report on EPA's GLAS system.

##### GLRI 2 (Danvers Pond Dam Removal)

- Staff is addressing comments from state on the permit for this project (Design was done in 2008 by ECT). Staff is also reviewing comments from the City of Farmington Hills

#### Rouge Round X Grants

- RPO 1 - RGC Urban Habitat Improvement. This IAA has been signed by Wayne County and can proceed.
- RPO 2 - Wayne Road Dam Removal Design. A survey has been completed at the dam.

#### SPAC/BUJ Delisting Grant

- A presentation was made at the Technical Committee. The list of ARC/community projects being proposed in this document are on the ARC website for review by ARC members.

- Work must be done by March 31, with a final report due to the GLC by April 30.

#### 2011 Grant Applications

- NOAA Fisheries Grant; The ARC submitted a \$1.1 million proposal to remove Wayne Road dam and install native plants.
- MDEQ CMI Monitoring Grant; This grant is for \$50k to do water quality monitoring in the Upper and Main 1-2 E. coli priority areas to narrow down sewage discharges during dry weather conditions. The time frame for the project would be fall 2011 – winter 2013.
- GLRI 2011; The ARC is partnering with the Alliance of Downriver Watersheds to submit two grants. One will fall under Watershed Remediation (1.C.3, page 16 of the RFA), a \$1 million green infrastructure project (over three years) to retrofit detention ponds, stabilize streambanks, install buffers etc. For the ARC projects, we are using some of the storm water retrofit/stabilization projects from the WMP wish list. The second will fall under Implement Lakewide Management Plan (LaMP) Projects (I.D.2, page 19), a \$300,000 project to install grow zones in schools through the Green Schools Program managed by Wayne County (it includes schools in the ADW and ARC) with workshops, public ed, etc.

Jim Ridgway said he believes that the GLRI will continue to get funded and the ARC staff will continue to chase these funds in the future.

#### **c. 2010 Executive Director Annual Report**

Jim Ridgway presented the draft Executive Director's Annual Report and asked that the committee get any comments to the ARC Staff. The report will be available on the ARC website and should provide key information that communities can use in preparing their annual reports.

#### **d. IRS request for 501(c)(3) status**

Jim Ridgway informed the committee that the IRS recommended that the ARC become a 501(c)(3). ARC staff will be working with the IRS to provide the required information to finalize the application and we hope to have the letter within the next month.

#### **e. ARC Membership Brochure**

A draft copy of the ARC membership Brochure was passed out for information and comments. The ARC will use the brochure as a marketing piece on the benefits of membership in the ARC.

### **6. Standing Committee Reports**

#### **a. Finance Committee**

##### 2010 Budget Amendments

Gary Mekjian introduced Don Rohraff, Livonia, as the new ARC Treasurer and thanked him for taking over the duties after Dan Swallow left for another position outside the watershed.

Don Rohraff reviewed the 2010 budget amendments as follows:

- PIE Amendment 2: Transfers a \$10,225.92 balance from 2010 PIE Budget (PIE 1 –Green Infrastructure Activities) to Organization and Technical Committee facilitation and financial and administrative tasks in the 2010 ED Services Budget.
- GLRI 1 Amendment 1 (Transforming the Rouge): Adjusts the 2010 ARC budget to show \$18,182.12 expended on this project in 2010. Originally, the total grant was booked in the 2011 budget. The 2011 GLRI 1 budget was adjusted accordingly.
- GLRI 2 Amendment 1 (Danvers Pond Dam): Adjusts the 2010 ARC budget to show \$8,940.77 expended on this project in 2010. Originally, the total grant was booked in the 2011 budget. The 2011 GLRI 2 budget was adjusted accordingly.

- SPAC 1 Amendment 1 (Green Corridors in the Rouge River Watershed): Adjusts the 2010 budget to show a grant from the Public Advisory Committee through the Great Lakes Commission to the ARC for \$6,000 to review green infrastructure projects appropriate for submission for grants.
- SPAC 2 Amendment 1 (Strategy to Delist BUIs): Adjusts the 2010 ARC budget to show costs incurred of \$11,607.68 rather than \$8,882. The 2011 SPAC 2 grant budget was adjusted accordingly.
- OC3 – Accounting and Legal Services: Adjusts the 2010 ARC budget to show additional costs in the amount of \$1,308.75 incurred by the accountant in preparing the required policies, procedures, accounting manual and the Office of Management and Budget questionnaire as requirements of the EPA GLRI grant and the review of the 501(c)(4) application.

The motion was made by Ramzi El-Gharib to recommend to the Full ARC the approval of the 2010 budget amendments as presented by the Finance Committee. The motion was seconded by James Murray and passed unanimously.

#### Draft 2010 budget vs. actual

Chris O'Meara reviewed the draft 2010 budget vs. actual report and stated that the ARC staff is waiting to receive the final invoices from Wayne County before we can finalize the report. We hope to have this ready for the Full ARC meeting.

#### 2011 Budget Requests

Don Rohraff reviewed the 2011 budget amendments as follows:

- Organization Committee Amendment 1: Corrects the 2011 ARC Budget to show a cost for Executive Director Services of \$168,803, of which \$9,032 will be in-kind match to the ARC. The ARC will only pay ECT, Inc. \$159,771 in 2011 as requested by the Organization Committee. The original 2011 ARC Budget showed the ED Services cost as \$159,771 and ECT match as \$9,032.
- Technical Committee, Amendment 1: Corrects the 2011 ARC Budget to show a \$20,000 increase to the Executive Services Contract - Technical Committee Budget for the Water Quality Summary. This cost has been paid in the past by the ARC through Wayne County. This expenditure is in the 2011 ARC budget. However, Wayne County has requested that the ARC pay for the report directly in 2011 through the Executive Director Services contract, as CDM will subcontract to ECT, Inc.
- GLRI 1 Amendment 1 (Transforming the Rouge): Adjusts the 2011 ARC budget to show the remaining budget available after the \$18,182.12 was expended on this project in 2010. Originally, the total grant was booked in the 2011 budget. The remaining 2011 GLRI 1 budget is \$811,817.88.
- GLRI 2 Amendment 1 (Danvers Pond Dam): Adjusts the 2011 ARC budget to show \$8,940.77 expended on this project in 2010. Originally, the total grant was booked in the 2011 budget. The remaining 2011 GLRI 2 budget is \$490,314.23.
- SPAC 2 Amendment 1 (Strategy to Delist BUIs): Adjusts the 2011 ARC budget to show costs incurred of \$11,607.68 rather than \$8,882 in 2010. The remaining 2011 SPAC 2 grant budget is \$10,597.

The motion was made by Kevin Buford to recommend to the Full ARC the approval of the 2011 budget amendments as presented by the Finance Committee. The motion was seconded by Jack Barnes and passed unanimously.

**b. Organization Committee**

Zachare Ball stated that the Organization Committee has no meeting scheduled at this time.

**c. PIE (Public Involvement and Education) Committee**

Brandy Siedlaczek reported that the PIE Committee is planning rain barrel sales in Southfield on 5/14 and in Westland on 7/30 and actual locations are being finalized. The PIE Committee has a green infrastructure workshop scheduled for 4/13 with Friends of the Rouge and continue to work on topics for the workshop including what you can do at home.

**d. Technical Committee**

Annette DeMaria reported that as part of the 2010 budget, Oakland County identified 7 illicit connections in the E. coli priority area in Farmington Hills. OC's 2011 IDEP work plan has not been established yet, but they will likely focus on completing investigations in the same area.

Annette DeMaria informed the committee that the ARC staff prepared comments on the DWSD's CSO Long-term Control Plan and the modified Rouge E. coli TMDL. The summary and presentation from the public meeting was posted on the ARC website and comments were requested from ARC members by March 28th.

Annette DeMaria talked about the 2001-2010 macroinvertebrate (bug) trends provided by Wayne County and Friends of the Rouge. She reported that the spring bug quality scores indicated statistically significant upward trends in most of the Subwatershed Management Areas (SWMAs). This indicates an improvement in water quality. The fall bug hunt scores were not as good, but there were no declining trends. This information will be included in the 2010 Rouge River Ecosystem Monitoring Report.

**7. Report from WCDPS**

Wayne County was not in attendance so no report was given.

**8. Report from SWAGS**

There was nothing new to report.

**9. Other Business**

Zachare Ball reported that the work done by CDM for the ARC that was originally contracted through Wayne County will now be contracted through the ECT Executive Services contract. There will be no budget change as this service was originally budgeted there is only a change as to where the work will be contract and paid. Wayne County asked that this be contracted through the ARC in the future.

The committee was reminded about the free SEMCOG University training for Municipal Operations: How small changes can make big improvements in water quality. There are a few trainings available still in April.

**10. Summary of Executive Committee Actions**

- The motion was made to accept the October 14, 2010, meeting summary.
- The motion was made to recommend to the Full ARC the approval of the 2010 budget amendments as presented by the Finance Committee.
- The motion was made to recommend to the Full ARC the approval of the 2011 Budget amendments as presented by the Finance Committee.

**11. Upcoming Meeting(s)**

- Full ARC Meeting, April 26, 2011, City of Southfield Public Library
- PIE Committee Meeting, April 20, 2:00 p.m., UM-Dearborn Environmental Interpretive Center
- Technical Committee Meeting, May 12, 2011, 2-4 p.m., Farmington Hills City Hall

**11. Adjourn**

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jack Barnes and seconded by Kevin Buford. The motion passed.

## **Ongoing Grant Projects**

### **Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI)**

#### GLRI 1 (Transforming the Rouge)

- The Wayne County Parks project (Lola Valley and Lower Rouge) construction has been bid out and a contractor has been selected. Work is scheduled for the fall.
- Valley Woods Wetland (Southfield): Field activities, including surveying and a wetland report, have been completed. A permit pre-application meeting with MDEQ was conducted on site on May 17, 2011. The design will include filling of drainage ditches, a prescribed burn, excavation of phragmites and planting and seeding. Herbicide applications will be in late August-early September.
- Rouge Park and Eliza Howell Park Grow Zones: We are currently negotiating with the City of Detroit concerning prescribed burns in both parks. A Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Detroit is under review. This project will begin in Spring, 2012.
- The second pre-monitoring benthics survey was held by FOTR and Wayne County on April 30.
- The second quarterly report was filed on May 5.

#### GLRI 2 (Danvers Pond Dam Removal, Farmington Hills)

- MDEQ conducted a public hearing about the permit application package on June 8.
- ARC staff is working with the EPA grant manager to develop a definition of native species.
- The original design documents (2008) have been updated to include recent changes and comments.
- Construction will be in 2012.

### **Rouge Round X**

#### RPO 1

##### RGC Urban Habitat Improvement

- The schedule for this project has been moved back. The riparian buffer development at sites in Beverly Hills, Southfield and Birmingham will be in May, 2012.

#### RPO 2

##### Wayne Road Dam Removal Design

- All field work has been completed. (survey, sample analysis and geomorphology)
- ARC staff conducted a permit pre-application meeting with MDEQ.
- ARC staff developed a system model and ran the design alternatives. A final design has been selected and is being completed.
- The permit application package is being drafted and will be submitted in July.
- This grant should end in August and transition into the NOAA grant for the removal of Wayne Road Dam.

### **SPAC 2/BUI Delisting**

- This grant is completed, and the final report was accepted by the Great Lakes Commission.



### **SPAC 3: Developing a Coordinated Effort to Address Rouge AOC BUIs in the Upper Subwatershed**

- This grant for \$24,989 was approved in May by the Great Lakes Commission. ARC staff is currently developing an Upper Subwatershed map that shows ongoing projects and potential future projects eligible for future grant funding.

#### **NOAA Fisheries Grant: Wayne Road Dam Removal:**

- NOAA notified the ARC in May that it would like to fund this project. ARC staff has edited the proposal based on NOAA comments, including reducing the grant request to just over \$1 million. We are currently awaiting final approval and contract documents.

## **2011 Grant Applications**

**NOAA Fisheries Grant:** See above

**MDEQ Monitoring Grant:** This grant is for \$50k to do water quality monitoring in the Upper and Main 1-2 E. coli priority areas to narrow down sewage discharges during dry weather conditions. The time frame for the project would be fall 2011 – winter 2013.

**GLRI 2011:** The ARC was notified in June that this application was not approved for GLRI funding in 2011. The grant proposal was in partnership with the Alliance of Downriver Watersheds for the following:

Under Implement Lakewide Management Plan (LaMP) Projects (I.D.2, page 19), a \$300,000 project to install grow zones in schools through the Green Schools Program managed by Wayne County (it includes schools in the ADW and ARC) with workshops, public ed., etc.

**NEW: U.S. Forestry/GLRI 2011:** In June, the ARC submitted a \$374,980 grant to the US Forestry Service through the State of Michigan to purchase and plant 2,000 trees in the Rouge River Watershed in partnership with Wayne County and several ARC member communities. Notification to successful applicants should be in September.

## Alliance of Rouge Communities Status Report

2010 Fiscal Year - Final 5/2/11

Activity		Budget	Paid	Remaining Balance
<b>Organization Committee</b>				
OC1	Executive Director Services	\$169,996.92	\$169,996.92	\$0.00
OC2	ARC Insurance	\$3,978.00	\$3,978.00	\$0.00
OC3	Accounting/Legal Services	\$11,408.75	\$11,408.75	\$0.00
<i>Organization Committee Total</i>		\$185,383.67	\$185,383.67	\$0.00
<b>Public Education and Involvement Committee</b>				
PIE1	Green Infrastructure Campaign	\$83,774.08	\$90,933.86	-\$7,159.78
PIE2	Riparian cor. Mgt. Booklet	\$6,500.00	\$0.00	\$6,500.00
PIE3	Pub Ed Materials	\$32,000.00	\$18,651.88	\$13,348.12
PIE4	Website Maintenance	\$7,000.00	\$5,919.74	\$1,080.26
PIE5	Watershed Steward. & Reporting	\$20,886.00	\$15,022.33	\$5,863.67
PIE6	WMP Revisions	\$7,600.00	\$8,100.07	-\$500.07
<i>PIE Committee Total</i>		\$157,760.08	\$138,627.88	\$19,132.20
<b>Technical Committee</b>				
TC1	Rouge River Watershed Monitoring Activities	\$127,917.00	\$105,533.43	\$22,383.57
TC2	ARC Collaborative IDEP and E. coli TMDL Plan	\$138,000.00	\$106,756.94	\$31,243.06
TC3	Pursuing Grant Opportunities	\$21,000.00	\$21,324.01	-\$324.01
	Potential Grant Project/Match	\$45,000.00	\$0.00	\$45,000.00
TC4	Land Cover Inventory	\$20,000.00	\$24,217.09	-\$4,217.09
<i>Technical Committee Total</i>		\$351,917.00	\$257,831.47	\$94,085.53
<b>SPAC</b>				
SPAC1		\$5,805.30	\$5,805.30	\$0.00
SPAC2		\$11,607.68	\$11,607.68	\$0.00
GLRI1	Transforming the Rouge	\$18,182.12	\$18,182.12	\$0.00
GLRI2	Danvers Pond	\$8,940.77	\$8,940.77	\$0.00
<i>Other Grants total</i>		\$44,535.87	\$44,535.87	\$0.00
<b>Total Budgeted</b>		<b>\$739,596.62</b>	<b>\$626,378.89</b>	<b>\$113,217.73</b>

Amount Paid from Alliance Dues	\$315,673.13
Amount Paid from RRNWWDP Federal Grant	\$266,169.89 (1)
Amount Paid from SPAC Grant	\$17,412.98
Amount Paid from GLRI Grant	\$27,122.89

ARC Dues Received	\$400,575.50 (2)
ARC 2010 dues available for future bills in FY11 budget	\$84,902.37 (3)

### NOTES

- (1) Razik Request For Reimbursement form line U. \$189,182.16 plus WC costs razik billed to grant \$76,987.73  
(2) Dues \$272,602.50 plus 2009 rollover of \$127,973.00  
(3) ARC dues received minus amount paid from ARC dues

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**ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT  
AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT****FINANCIAL STATEMENTS -**

Statements of Financial Position

Statements of Activities

Statements of Cash Flows

Notes to the Financial Statements

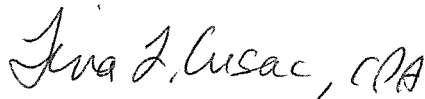
## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors  
**ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES**  
Detroit, Michigan

I have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of **ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES** as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of **ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES** organization's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these basic financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require the I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES** as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.



TINA L. CUSAC, CPA  
Clarkston, MI 48348  
June 25, 2011

**ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES  
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009**

**ASSETS**

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 112,207	\$ 173,298
Accounts receivable	<u>126,247</u>	<u>130,848</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ 238,454</u>	 <u>\$ 304,146</u>

**LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**

CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	<u>\$ 156,575</u>	<u>\$ 180,468</u>
 TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	 156,575	 180,468
 NET ASSETS - unrestricted	 <u>81,879</u>	 <u>123,678</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	 <u>\$ 238,454</u>	 <u>\$ 304,146</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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**ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES  
STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009**

	2010	2009
<b>REVENUE:</b>		
Membership dues	\$ 272,061	\$ 289,345
Grants	314,015	228,195
Contributions	1,095	-
Other	-	1,733
Total Revenue	587,171	519,273
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
Organization Committee		
Executive director services	181,991	160,248
Public Involvement and Education Committee		
Green Infrastructure Campaign	90,934	85,831
Detention Pond Maintenance Manual Update	-	7,496
Public Education Materials	18,652	22,906
Collaborative PEP	-	944
Website Maintenance	5,920	5,383
Rouge 2009	-	5,610
Watershed Steward. & Reporting/Friends of the Rouge	15,099	14,169
WMP Revisions	8,100	-
Total Public Involvement and Education Committee	138,705	142,339
Technical Committee		
Rouge River Watershed Monitoring Activities	105,534	50,672
ARC Collaborative IDEP and E. coli TMDL Plan	106,757	36,165
Green Infrastructure and Land Cover Inventory	12,999	65,848
Pursuing Grant Opportunities	21,324	18,355
NPDES Phase II Workgroup	-	1,118
Total Technical Committee	246,614	172,158
GLRI Projects		
Transforming the Rouge	18,182	-
Danvers Pond Dam Removal and Stream Restoration	8,941	-
Total GLRI Projects	27,123	-
Great Lakes Commission Projects		
Support Grant	5,805	-
Strategy to Delist BUIs in the Rouge River	11,608	-
Total Great Lakes Commission Projects	17,413	-
General		
Legal and Accounting	12,296	19,250

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Registration Fees	850	750
Insurance	<u>3,978</u>	<u>4,100</u>
Total General	<u>17,124</u>	<u>24,100</u>
Total Expenses	<u>628,970</u>	<u>498,845</u>
<b>CHANGE IN NET ASSETS</b>	(41,799)	20,428
<b>NET ASSETS - beginning of year</b>	<u>123,678</u>	<u>103,250</u>
<b>NET ASSETS - end of year</b>	<u><u>\$ 81,879</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 123,678</u></u>

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**ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES**  
**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010 AND 2009**

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
<b>CASH FLOW TO (FROM) OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$ (41,799)	\$ 20,428
Changes in operating assets and liabilities which increase (decrease) cash flow -		
Accounts receivable	4,601	(130,848)
Accounts payable	<u>(23,893)</u>	<u>180,468</u>
<b>NET CASH TO (FROM) OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<u>\$ (61,091)</u>	<u>\$ 70,048</u>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	\$ (61,091)	\$ 70,048
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		
BALANCE - beginning of year	<u>173,298</u>	<u>103,250</u>
BALANCE - end of year	<u>\$ 112,207</u>	<u>\$ 173,298</u>
<b>Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:</b>		
Cash paid during the year for:		
Interest	\$ -	\$ -
Income taxes	-	-

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**ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:**

Nature of Organization

Alliance of Rouge Communities (ARC) was formed in 2005 as an unincorporated association operating under and authorized by Part 312 of the Michigan Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act. ARC is a voluntary public watershed entity. Its members consist primarily of municipal governments located in Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw counties. ARC's purpose is to encourage watershed-wide cooperation and mutual support to meet water quality permit requirements and to restore beneficial uses of the Rouge River to the area residents.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The organization considers all cash and amounts due from depository institutions to be cash equivalents for purposes of the statement of cash flows.

Revenue and Expenses

Membership dues are recognized in the period for which they cover. Dues cover the calendar year in which they are billed. Grant reimbursements are recognized in the period in which the reimbursable expenses are recognized.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with general accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Income Tax Status

Alliance of Rouge Communities originally applied for Federal tax exempt status under Section 501(c)(4) but subsequently changed its application for exemption under Section 501(c)(3). See subsequent event note.

**ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**NOTE 2 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS:**

The Organization has a contract with ECT, Inc. for Executive Director services. The Executive Director is a shareholder and employee of ECT, Inc. The amount billed from ECT, Inc. totaled \$340,366 and \$320,840 for 2010 and 2009, respectively.

**NOTE 3 - CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK:**

The Organization maintains its cash account in a commercial bank located in Michigan. The account is guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$250,000. As of December 31, 2010 and 2009, the balance was fully insured.

**NOTE 4 - RECEIVABLES:**

Accounts receivable consists of membership dues that have not been paid at December 31, 2010 and 2009 and unsubmitted requests for reimbursement from local and federal agencies under the various grant agreements.

The Organization believes all receivables are collectible and therefore has no allowance for doubtful accounts.

**NOTE 5 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS:**

On April 11, 2011 ARC received approval for exemption of Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Subsequent events have been evaluated through June 25, 2011, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

**Alliance of Rouge Communities  
A/R Aging Summary  
As of July 7, 2011**

07/07/11

	<u>Current</u>	<u>1 - 30</u>	<u>31 - 60</u>	<u>61 - 90</u>	<u>&gt; 90</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Bingham Farms	624.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	624.00
Birmingham	3,045.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,045.00
Commerce Township	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	522.00	522.00
Dearborn	24,214.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,214.00
Farmington	2,605.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,605.00
Garden City	6,815.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,815.00
Lathrup Village	1,220.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,220.00
Livonia	0.00	0.00	0.00	29,013.00	0.00	29,013.00
Melvindale	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,635.00	0.00	2,635.00
Pontiac	508.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	508.00
Rouge River National Wet Weather Dem. Pro	0.00	41,505.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	41,505.81
Rouge Round X Grant	0.00	3,501.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,501.16
Southfield	18,793.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,793.00
Troy	4,395.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,395.00
Wayne	5,153.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,153.00
Westland	20,255.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,255.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>87,627.00</u></b>	<b><u>45,006.97</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>31,648.00</u></b>	<b><u>522.00</u></b>	<b><u>164,803.97</u></b>

**Alliance of Rouge Communities**  
**A/P Aging Summary**  
 As of July 7, 2011

07/07/11

	<u>Current</u>	<u>1 - 30</u>	<u>31 - 60</u>	<u>61 - 90</u>	<u>&gt; 90</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Environmental Consulting & Technology, In	62,731.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	62,731.75
enviroWorld	10,450.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,450.00
Friends of the Rouge	0.00	2,105.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,105.24
Tina L. Cusac, CPA	5,600.00	1,837.50	742.50	0.00	0.00	8,180.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>78,781.75</u></b>	<b><u>3,942.74</u></b>	<b><u>742.50</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>83,466.99</u></b>

**Expected Revenues Available for 2011**

2011 Dues from Communities*	\$	266,687
2011 Rouge Project Grant (estimated)	\$	256,872
(2) GLRI Grants	\$	1,120,882
GLRI Match	\$	181,250
RPO Round X Grant	\$	64,899
RPO Round X Match	\$	8,520
(6)(5)(10) SPAC Grant	\$	35,586
(4) ECT Match	\$	9,032
Rollover Dues from 2010 Budget	\$	84,902
	\$	2,028,631

Amended by Full ARC on 4/26/2011

Proposed ARC 2011 Budget Items	Committee Proposal	Funding Source						"Provider" Using Budget (3)
		ARC Dues	Rouge Grant	Rouge Round X Grant	GLRI Grant	SPAC Grant	Other Source/Match	
<b>Rouge Grant</b>								
<b>Organization Committee</b>								
(7)(1)OC1 Executive Director Services	\$ 168,803	\$ 75,369	\$ 84,402				\$ 9,032	EDS (4)
Pursuing Grant Opportunities	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000						EDS
<b>Organization Committee Total</b>	<b>\$ 178,803</b>	<b>\$ 85,369</b>	<b>\$ 84,402</b>				<b>\$ 9,032</b>	
<b>Finance Committee</b>								
(2) FC1 Accounting/Legal Services	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500	\$ -					outside purchase
(2) FC2 ARC Insurance	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ -					outside purchase
<b>Finance Committee Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,500</b>	<b>\$ 11,500</b>	<b>\$ -</b>					
<b>Public Education and Involvement Committee</b>								
PIE1 Green Infrastructure Campaign	\$ 94,000	\$ 47,000	\$ 47,000					EDS/WC
PIE2 Public Ed Materials	\$ 17,500	\$ 8,750	\$ 8,750					EDS/WC
PIE3 Website Maintenance	\$ 7,750	\$ 3,875	\$ 3,875					EDS/WC
PIE4 Watershed Stewardship and Reporting	\$ 18,590	\$ 9,295	\$ 9,295					FOTR
<b>PIE Committee Total</b>	<b>\$ 137,840</b>	<b>\$ 68,920</b>	<b>\$ 68,920</b>				<b>\$ -</b>	
<b>Technical Committee</b>								
TC1 Rouge River Watershed Monitoring Activities	\$ 77,100	\$ 38,550	\$ 38,550					WC/USGS/CDM
TC2 Storm Water Reporting	\$ 23,000	\$ 11,500	\$ 11,500					EDS
TC3 IDEP	\$ 85,000	\$ 42,500	\$ 42,500					EDS/WC/OC
TC4 Compliance Initiatives	\$ 22,000	\$ 11,000	\$ 11,000					EDS/WC
<b>Technical Committee Total</b>	<b>\$ 207,100</b>	<b>\$ 103,550</b>	<b>\$ 103,550</b>				<b>\$ -</b>	
<b>Total Amount Requested by All Committees</b>	<b>\$ 535,243</b>	<b>\$ 269,339</b>	<b>\$ 256,872</b>				<b>\$ 9,032</b>	
<b>GLRI Grant</b>								
<b>(8)GLRI 1 Transforming the Rouge AOC from Mowed Down to Grown Up</b>								
GLRI1A Grow Zone Design and Construction Oversight	\$56,579				\$56,579			
GLRI1B Construct Grow Zones	\$225,000				\$168,750		\$56,250	
GLRI1C Preserve	\$60,000				\$30,000		\$30,000	
GLRI1D Construct Valley Woods Wetland Preserve Improvements	\$272,000				\$272,000			
GLRI1E Monitoring	\$160,000				\$80,000		\$80,000	
GLRI1F Public Education	\$15,000	\$15,000					\$15,000	
GLRI1G Grant Administration and Reporting	\$23,239				\$23,239			
Sub-total GLRI 1	\$811,818	\$15,000			\$630,568		\$181,250	
<b>(9)GLRI 2 Danvers Pond Dam Removal and Stream Restoration</b>								
GLRI2A Engineering	\$11,987				\$11,987			
GLRI2B Construction	\$404,200				\$404,200			
GLRI2C Construction Oversight	\$59,947				\$59,947			
GLRI2D Grant Administration	\$14,180				\$14,180			
Subtotal GLRI 2	\$490,314	\$0			\$490,314		\$0	
<b>TOTAL GLRI</b>	<b>\$1,302,132</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>			<b>\$1,120,882</b>		<b>\$181,250</b>	
<b>Rouge Round X</b>								
<b>RPO 1 RGC Urban Habitat Improvement</b>								
RPO1A Demonstration Riparian Buffer Planning and Installation	\$7,146			\$4,943			\$2,203	
RPO1B Wetland Conservation and Mitigation Plan	\$2,867			\$30			\$2,837	
RPO1C Interpretive Signage	\$3,946			\$2,030			\$1,916	
RPO1D Public Workshop	\$1,910			\$346			\$1,564	
Subtotal RPO 1	\$15,869			\$7,349			\$8,520	
<b>RPO 2 Wayne Road Dam Removal Design</b>								
RPO2A Preliminary Engineering and Field Investigation	\$31,659	\$15,830		\$15,830				
RPO2B Design and Permitting	\$76,748	\$38,374		\$38,374				
RPO2C Grant Management	\$6,693	\$3,347		\$3,347				
Subtotal RPO 2	\$115,100	\$57,550		\$57,550			\$0	
<b>TOTAL RPO ROUND X</b>	<b>\$130,969</b>	<b>\$57,550</b>		<b>\$64,899</b>			<b>\$8,520</b>	
<b>SPAC</b>								
(6)(5)SPAC2 Strategy to Delist BUIs in the Rouge River AOC	\$10,597						\$10,597	
(10) SPAC3 SPAC3 Developing a Coordinated Effort to Address Rouge AOC BUIs	\$24,989						\$24,989	
<b>TOTAL SPAC</b>	<b>\$35,586</b>	<b>\$0</b>					<b>\$35,586</b>	
<b>Available Unallocated ARC Budget</b>	<b>\$24,700</b>							

- Notes**
- (1) Includes fiduciary services, advocacy and administration
  - (2) Not a Rouge grant eligible item; funded 100% from ARC dues
  - (3) EDS - Executive Director Services, WC - Wayne County, OC - Oakland County Officers and committee members provide assistance to implement most of the ARC tasks. Cost for this assistance is not included in ARC budget.
  - (4) The Organization Committee asked that the EDS 2011 budget of \$168,803 be reduced to it's 2010 level of \$159,771 with no change to the hours proposed in the 2011 budget. The average of \$9,032 in 2011 will be used as match for the ARC.
  - \* Based on 2010 dues amount plus HFCC \$750, minus Wayne County Airport Authority \$2,266 and Inkster \$6,468
  - (5) ARC received SPAC Grant - %40 (\$8,882) of \$22,205 in 2010, remaining 60% (\$13,323) in 2011 budget
- 4-26-11 BUDGET AMENDMENTS:**
- (6) SPAC2 adjusted to show remaining balance available for 2011
  - (7) OC1 This amendment corrects the 2011 budget to accurately reflect the proposed cost for ED Services.
  - (8) This budget amendment will reduce the 2011 budget by \$18,182.12 to show the money that was expended in 2010 for the GLRI1 line item. The remainder available in 2011 is \$811,817.88.
  - (9) This budget amendment will reduce the 2011 budget by \$8,940.77 to show the money that was expended in 2010 for the GLRI2 line item. The remainder available in 2011 is \$490,314.23.
- Draft 6- 14-11 BUDGET AMENDMENTS:**
- (10) SPAC3 added to show awarded grant amount of \$24,989



*Working together, restoring the river*

## ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES FINANCE COMMITTEE

### 2011 BUDGET AMENDMENT: Finance Committee Amendment 2

**REQUEST DATE:** June 13, 2011

**LINE ITEM:** Add 2011 GLC Grant "SPAC3 Developing a Coordinated Effort to Address Rouge AOC BUIs"

**COMMITTEE MAKING REQUEST:** Finance Committee

**BACKGROUND:** In 2011, the ARC and the Rouge RAP Advisory Committee submitted a grant request to the Great Lakes Commission (GLC) for a Public Advisory Committee (PAC) grant to support activities to continue to expand on addressing the beneficial use impairments in the Rouge River Area of Concern as well as developing a subwatershed delisting strategy for the Upper Rouge Subwatershed. The grant request was for \$24, 989 for a grant period from May 4, 2011-March 31, 2012. The ARC was awarded the funding in May, 2011.

**DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED ACTIVITIES:** The GLC/PAC grant will be used to build on the work the ARC and RRAC has accomplished in the past year by completing the following tasks: 1) Improve and refine the Rouge River AOC Beneficial Use Impairments Delisting Strategy (Delisting Strategy) developed just recently under the previous PAC grant, 2) Create a Subwatershed Delisting Strategy Template based on the activities and projects included in the Delisting Strategy that will illustrate the community projects, the areas to install Rouge AOC priority projects, such as tree planting and grow zones, their location, expected storm water reduction impacts and any project gaps that may exist, and 3) Coordinate activities in the Rouge AOC.

**RATIONALE:** The budget must be adjusted to reflect this additional funding.

**BUDGET:** This amendment adds the 2011 GLC PAC grant budget line to the 2011 ARC Budget with funding of \$24,989 for these activities. No match is required.

**PERSON/AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION:** Work will be completed by the ARC Executive Director Staff and Wayne County.

Alliance of Rouge Communities  
Executive Director Services  
Appendix E - Scope of Services for Public Advisory  
Committee/Great Lakes Commission Grant

Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc.

May 15, 2011 to March 31, 2012

**The total compensation for the scope of services included in Appendix E Public Advisory Committee/Great Lakes Commission Grant (Developing a Coordinated Effort to Address Rouge AOC BUIs) Tasks 1, 2 and 4 is \$17,374.20 which includes a fixed fee of: \$2,587.**

**DEVELOPING A COORDINATED EFFORT TO ADDRESS ROUGE AOC BUIS.**

**TASK 1: REFINE THE ROUGE RIVER AOC BENEFICIAL USE IMPAIRMENTS (BUIs) DELISTING STRATEGY:** Project partners worked diligently on attempting to complete this assessment by March 31, 2011. However, based on comments from grant partners, our AOC coordinator and the Alliance of Rouge Communities, there is information that has to be refined/enhanced in this report, particularly with the Priority Project Activities and site specific summaries. A small portion of this grant will go toward refining this report.

**TASK 2: SUBWATERSHED DELISTING STRATEGY TEMPLATE:** *Rouge River AOC Beneficial Use Impairments Delisting Strategy* (Delisting Strategy) is the first step in identifying the actions necessary to delist the various Rouge AOC BUIs. The Rouge AOC has done a good job of identifying the steps necessary to delist the Rouge BUIs and the Alliance of Rouge Communities has identified projects that would work toward delisting the BUIs. Overall, the Rouge AOC suffers from impacts of non-point source pollution and a lack of green infrastructure (vegetation). The RRAC and the ARC would like to create a Subwatershed Delisting Strategy Template that will include a subwatershed map that illustrates the community projects, the areas to install Rouge AOC priority projects, such as tree planting and grow zones, where they are/would be located, what storm water reduction impacts they may create, and any project gaps that may exist. The strategy target area would be the Upper Rouge Subwatershed, which is located in Wayne and Oakland counties and includes urban, suburban and developing communities. The Upper Subwatershed has been struggling with the impacts of non-point source pollution and is also the priority area for the ARC's Collaborative Illicit Discharge Elimination Program (IDEP) focus. The ARC Collaborative IDEP has identified the most crucial areas in the watershed impacted by illicit connections and then prioritized areas to be addressed. We envision the strategy template as a road map which will detail specific

community projects, specific Delisting Strategy priority projects, their locations and what their impacts will be. This template would allow the ARC and this subwatershed to have a comprehensive, coordinated approach to address and solve the impacts and put it in a stronger position to seek funding opportunities. This template would then be used to perform the same analysis in the six remaining Rouge subwatersheds. Ultimately, this work will give the RRAC/ARC a road map that determines what projects exist, what their impact will be and what funding opportunities are available.

**TASK 3: COORDINATION OF AOC ACTIVITIES:** There has been an increase in support required by AOC (RRAC) officers related to attendance at stakeholder meetings, coordination with AOC stakeholders regarding projects and letters of support for project to a variety of federal agency funders. This task would support the AOC officers in performing their duties in coordinating requests for support letters and attendance at various meetings involving AOC activities. (This task will be conducted by Wayne County)

**TASK 4: FINAL REPORT:** The final report will include all work products from Tasks 1-3 and outline the next steps needed to work toward delisting the Rouge AOC.

Alliance of Rouge Communities  
Executive Director Services  
Appendix F - Scope of Services for Great Lakes Restoration Initiative  
(GLRI) 1: Transforming the Rouge  
(Additional Activities)

Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc.

August 1, 2011 to December 31, 2012

**The total compensation for the scope of services included in Appendix F – GLRI Grant 1: Transforming the Rouge (Additional Activities) is \$85,000 which includes a fixed fee of: \$6,726.**

**GLRI 1: Transforming the Rouge River AOC from Mowed Down to Grown Up**

The following subtasks and scope coordinate with the GLRI grant task structure. The activities presented below in the GLRI 1 Tasks are new scope for ECT under this grant. This does not change the ARC budget as funding for these activities are paid for with grant funds:

***TASK 1: Grow Zone Design and Construction Oversight:*** As part of the implementation of GLRI 1 Task 2, ECT and its subcontractor will conduct the following subtasks:

- Make preparations for and conduct prescribed burns in Detroit Eliza Howell Park and Detroit Rouge River Park;
- Conduct community outreach with residents and organizations in the project areas, and
- Purchase seed and plants for the sites.

(ECT Budget: \$25,000 of which \$4,708.90 is ECT labor)

***TASK 4: Construct Valley Woods Wetland Preserve Improvements:*** As part of the implementation of GLRI 1, Task 4, ECT and its subcontractor will perform the following subtasks:

- Chemical Invasive species control at Valley Woods project area.
- Burn Management at Valley Woods project area.
- Applicable treatment permit applications and reports to MDEQ.

(ECT Budget: \$60,000 of which \$40,132.80 is ECT labor.)



## 2012 ARC Budget Preparation Schedule

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|----------|---|
| 6/14/11  | Finance Committee to approve 2012 Budget Preparation Schedule   |
| 6/16/11  | Treasurer to distribute 2012 Budget Preparation Schedule  |
| 7/12/11  | Executive Committee review 2012 Budget Preparation Schedule/consider reviewing dues based on 2010 U.S. Census                                       |
| 7/1/11   | Treasurer to send out letter to ECT requesting cost proposal for Executive Director Services to the Finance Committee by 9/13/11                    |
| 7/1/11   | Treasurer to send out letter to ARC Committees requesting budget submittals to the Finance Committee by 9/16/11                                     |
| 9/13/11  | Finance Committee to receive cost proposal from ECT and distribute to Organization Committee  |
| 9/16/11  | Finance Committee to receive budget proposals from ARC Committees   |
| 9/27/11  | Finance Committee meeting to review draft budget information and finalize budget proposals and formulate recommendations to the Executive Committee |
| 10/18/11 | Executive Committee meeting to review the proposed budget   |
| 10/25/11 | Full Alliance Meeting to adopt the 2012 ARC budget  |