

Rouge Alliance Agenda
August 23, 2006



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AGENDA
ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES

August 23, 2006

1:30 ~ 4:30 p.m.

The Summit on the Park

Grand Ball Room

46000 Summit Parkway

Canton, Michigan

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| Allen Park | 1. Welcome – Wayne Domine, Acting ARC Chair | |
| Auburn Hills | a. Roll Call /Determination of Quorum | |
| Beverly Hills | b. Approval of January 6, 2006 Meeting Minutes | Action |
| Bingham Farms | c. Additions or changes to the Draft Meeting Agenda | |
| Birmingham | d. Chair’s Report | |
| Bloomfield Hills | i. Resolution of Tribute to Robert Beckley | Discussion |
| Bloomfield Twp. | | /Action |
| Canton Twp. | ii. Alliance of Rouge Communities Status | Information |
| Commerce Twp. | iii. Alliance awarded CMI Grant | Information |
| Dearborn | iv. U.S. EPA grant freeze status update | Information |
| Dearborn Heights | v. Summary of Executive Committee Meetings | Information |
| Farmington | | |
| Farmington Hills | | |
| Franklin | | |
| Garden City | | |
| Inkster | | |
| Lathrup Village | 2. Election of 2007 Officers (Domine) | Discussion |
| Livonia | | /Action |
| Melvindale | 3. Executive Director Request for Proposals (Domine) | Discussion |
| Northville | | /Action |
| Northville Twp. | | |
| Novi | 4. Round VII Sub-grants (Heise) | |
| Orchard Lake Village | a. Notification of awards | Information |
| Plymouth | b. Resolution regarding eligibility for Round VII and | |
| Plymouth Twp. | future sub-grants | Discussion |
| Pontiac | | /Action |
| Redford Twp. | | |
| Rochester Hills | | |
| Romulus | | |
| Southfield | 5. Ad Hoc Grants Committee (Giberson) | Discussion |
| Superior Twp. | | /Action |
| Troy | | |
| Van Buren Twp. | 6. Treasurer’s/Finance Committee Report (Kurt Giberson) | |
| Walled Lake | a. Audit Requirements under Watershed Alliance Act | Information |
| Washtenaw County | b. Status of Alliance Invoice Payments | Information |
| Wayne | c. 2006 Budget/Expenditures Status Report | Information |
| Wayne County | d. 2006 Budget Amendment Requests | Discussion |
| Wayne County Airport | | /Action |
| Authority | | |
| West Bloomfield Twp. | e. Addendum to Fiduciary Services Agreement for 2006 | Information |
| Westland | f. 2007 Preliminary Budget Recommendation | Discussion |
| Wixom | | /Action |
| Ypsilanti Twp. | | |

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- 7. Standing Committee Reports (Domine)**
- a. Request for increased member participation in standing committees (Domine) Information
 - b. Organization (Co-Chairs Kurt Heise, WCDOE / Dave Payne, Bloomfield Twp.) Information
 - i. Cooperating Partners policy Discussion /Action
 - ii. Open Meetings/FOI Acts implementation policy Discussion /Action
 - c. PIE (Chair Jennifer Lawson, Troy) Information
 - d. Technical (Vice Chair, Gary Zorza, Farmington Hills) Information
- 8. Appoint new ARC RRAC delegate (Domine)**
- 9. Rouge Green Corridor Presentation (Nina Misuraca Ignaczak)**
- 10. Opportunity for Public Comment (Domine)**
- 11. Summary of Actions of Full Alliance (Domine)**
- 12. Upcoming Meeting Schedule (Domine)**

Executive Committee	Livonia DPW offices	November 15, 2006	1:30 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommend 2007 budget • Recommend 2007 ARC staff services plan
Full Alliance	Troy	December 6, 2006	1:30 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approve 2007 budget • Approve 2007 ARC staff services plan

13. Adjourn



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ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES

Draft Meeting Summary

Full Alliance Meeting

Friday, January 6, 2006 at 1:30 P.M.

Southfield Public Library,

23600 Evergreen Road, Southfield, Michigan

Allen Park
Auburn Hills
Beverly Hills
Bingham Farms
Birmingham
Bloomfield Hills
Bloomfield Township
Canton Township
Commerce Township
Dearborn
Dearborn Heights
Farmington
Farmington Hills
Garden City
Inkster
Lathrup Village
Livonia
Melvindale
Northville
Northville Township
Novi
Plymouth
Plymouth Township
Pontiac
Redford Township
Rochester Hills
Romulus
Southfield
Superior Township
Troy
Van Buren Township
Walled Lake
Wayne
Wayne County
West Bloomfield Twp.
Westland
Wixom
Ypsilanti Township

1. Welcome - Mr. Robert Beckley, of Livonia, Alliance of Rouge Communities Chair, welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the Alliance and thanked Southfield for hosting the meeting.

a. *Roll Call /Determination of Quorum* – Mr. Beckley took roll call at the meeting. He asked all attendees to identify themselves and the organization they represented. The 31 voting members identified below were sufficient for a Quorum.

The following members were in attendance at the meeting:

Auburn Hills	Farmington Hills	Plymouth Township	Westland
Beverly Hills	Garden City	Rochester Hills	Wixom
Bingham Farms	Inkster	Salem Township	Wayne Airport Authority
Birmingham	Lathrup Village	Southfield	Ypsilanti Township
Bloomfield Hills	Livonia	Troy	
Bloomfield Township	Melvindale	Walled Lake	
Canton	Northville Township	Wayne	
Dearborn	Novi	Wayne County	
Farmington	Plymouth	West Bloomfield	

The following members were not in attendance at the meeting:

Allen Park	Northville	Redford Township	Van Buren Township
Commerce Township	Lyon Township	Romulus	
Dearborn Heights	Pontiac	Superior Township	

A number of guests were in attendance at the meeting. The guest attendance list is shown in Attachment 1.

Mr. Beckley recognized Jack Bails, Kurt Heise, past officers and other members for their efforts towards the formation of the Alliance. Dale Iman, City Administrator of Southfield, welcomed everyone to the facility on behalf of the Mayor of Southfield and the City Council.

b. *Approval of June 9, 2005 Assembly Meeting Minutes* – Minutes were distributed and a motion was made to approve the minutes, the motion was approved unanimously.

c. *Additions or changes to the Draft Meeting Agenda* – A request was made to include a Rouge Remedial Action Plan Advisory Council (RRAC) update to the agenda. The Chair offered to include this item during the public comment period.

d. *Chair's Report*

- i. *Alliance of Rouge Communities Status* – As of January 2006 36 communities and counties have joined the ARC. All eligible communities in the watershed have been invited to join.
- ii. *Meetings with MDEQ concerning SWPPI updates* – There have been two meetings with the MDEQ since our last General Assembly meeting with some progress towards the MDEQ recognizing the watershed-wide efforts of the ARC as a component of regulatory compliance. Significant discussion has focused on matching specific activities to specific goals and how to assemble a tracking list to measure compliance. At the November 21, 2005 meeting, MDEQ offered to review our subwatershed management plans and SWPPI actions tables in an effort to assist us with streamlining the process. This information was provided in December and the ARC is awaiting their formal response.
- iii. *U.S. EPA grant freeze status update* – Wayne County reported on the status of the U.S. EPA grant freeze that has delayed the review of Round VII grant applications. The ARC sent a letter to USEPA Region V in September requesting immediate release of these funds indicating the severe impact the freeze would have on ARC activities. This along with a campaign led by congressional delegates and others to release some of the grant dollars was successful with \$5.1 million released. Efforts continue to get the remaining dollars released as they directly impact the ability to fund Round VII subgrants. Round VII subgrant proposals were accepted in 2005, but are pending review until further information is obtained from the EPA regarding the release of funding. Wayne County suggested that since significant time has passed since their application, an update to the proposals would be helpful prior to beginning the review process, noting that the original end date of 2007 for projects may need to be amended. Some options included updating previously submitted tasks and schedules or submitting a new proposal. If as a result of the updating process some previously submitted proposals are withdrawn, then there is a possibility that more proposals could be accepted. There were a variety of opinions on the merits of each with some members voicing concern that original submittals should get preferential consideration to new proposals. The ARC agreed that the most equitable approach would be for Wayne County to solicit updates on the current proposals first and re-visit the possibility of accepting additional proposals after it is better understood how many submittals will be withdrawn. With regard to the status of ARC funding and the grant freeze, Wayne County indicated that funding to the ARC for 2006 was in place, but 2007 funding is still in jeopardy as a result of the funds still frozen by EPA.

iv. *Summary of Executive Committee Meeting* – Chair Robert Beckley reported on the first Alliance of Rouge Communities Executive Committee meeting held December 8, 2005, noting that the Alliance of Rouge Communities was officially formed when twenty eligible members governing bodies approved the bylaws. The meeting focused on extending the fiduciary agreement with Wayne County through 2006, budget amendments for 2005, budget recommendations for 2006, and membership assessments and invitations to Associate members like the Wayne County Airport Authority. Mr. Beckley explained that the details of each item would be covered under corresponding standing committee reports to follow.

2. Treasurer's/Finance Committee Report (Kurt Giberson)

- a. *Status of Assembly Invoice Payments* – Treasurer Giberson reported that 99.9% of all 2005 assessments had been paid. Lyon and Salem Townships have unpaid assessments totaling \$316.
- b. *Status of 2005 Assembly Budget/Expenditures* – A expenditure report was distributed and the Treasurer indicated that he expected a year end budget balance in the tens of thousands of dollars.
- c. *2005 Budget Amendment Requests* – Three amendments were presented relating to PIE activities. The first was to transfer \$4,200 initially planned for printing banners to print other PIE materials such as fertilizer tips and household hazardous waste brochures. The second request was to transfer \$900 from the 2005 budget to 2006 to complete OSDS workshops not completed in 2005 due to staffing changes with partnering Michigan State University Extension Services. The third request from the PIE committee was to transfer budget from the ARC newsletter task not completed in 2005 to cover cost overruns in public education workshops. The City of Wayne motioned to accept all amendment requests. Wixom supported, and the motion was unanimously passed.
- d. *Fiduciary Services Agreement for 2006* – The status of the Fiduciary Services Agreement was summarized and the ARC concurred that the Chair should sign and execute the Agreement.
- e. *2006 Budget Recommendation* – Treasurer Giberson distributed a recommended 2006 budget that balances with anticipated funds available through membership dues (Attachment 2). The recommended budget includes activities similar to those approved for 2005, with some budget reductions. The hiring of staff is not included in the budget for this fiscal year with the plan to continue using the Rouge Program Office staff support. City of Melvindale motioned to approve the recommended budget, Livonia seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Standing Committee Reports (Robert Beckley)

- a. PIE (Chair Jennifer Lawson, Troy) – Ms. Lawson reported that a Public Education Workshop was held at Lawrence Technological Institute with 75 people in attendance, one-third of which were from outside of the watershed looking for guidance. Posters were designed, developed, and produced for the Main 1-2 and Upper SWMAs and are being distributed to all members of the ARC with multiple copies for communities in the focused subwatershed.
- b. Technical (Vice Chair, Gary Zorza, Farmington Hills) – Mr. Zorza summarized the monitoring program activities completed in 2005, highlighting that the sampling data is now online at www.rougeriver.com/database. Jack Bails pointed out that a MDEQ request for proposals using Clean Michigan Initiative funds was recently distributed and that the Technical Committee might consider applying for funds to support the 2006 monitoring program. There was a motion to approve the Technical Committee’s application using funds from the existing budget as a match. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- c. Organization/Membership (Co-Chairs Kurt Heise, WCDOE/ Dave Payne, Bloomfield Twp.)
 - i. *Status of ARC Insurance/Recommendation* – Mr. Heise reported that by PA 517 the ARC is now an independent governmental entity. Mr. Bails reported that he received an insurance quote for \$4,101 to cover the ARC officers. Mr. Heise made a motion that the Insurance Policy be adopted, the motion was seconded by the City of Livonia and the motion passed.
 - ii. *Recommendation on Associate Membership – Wayne County Airport Authority* - Wayne County presented the methodology recommended by the Organizational Committee and Executive Committee for assessing Associate member dues based on percentage of land area in the watershed. A motion was made adapt this assessment methodology and to invite the Wayne County Airport Authority as an Associate member. The motion was supported and approved unanimously. Mr. Heise reported recent discussions of membership with Ecorse and River Rouge and plans to begin discussion with Detroit. Mr. Heise also reported that Judge Feikens removed Mayor Kilpatrick as director of DWSD, but did not assign a replacement. A 16-page opinion was issued. Contracts now go through City of Detroit charter process.

4. Opportunity for Comments by the Public (Robert Beckley)

Friends of the Rouge reported that they are gearing up for the 20th year of Rouge Rescue and have a goal to get each community to host a site on June 4, 2006.

RRAC Chair Bill Craig congratulated the group on the formation of the Alliance, noted the election of Brandy Bakita of Southfield as the new Vice-Chair and distributed the Rouge Report Card. RRAC also gave a presentation on the development of delisting criteria for the Rouge as an Area of Concern (AOC).

FOTR reported that they had recently received a Great Lakes National Program Office (GLNPO) grant to perform a habitat assessment.

Amy Mangus of SEMCOG recommended that developed AOC delisting criteria should be consistent with subwatershed management plan goals. She also mentioned that a State Revolving Fund workshop would be offered free of charge to SEMCOG members.

MDEQ reported a restructuring of the Non-point Source (NPS) program that includes a new initiative to help communities meet good housekeeping practices.

Lillian Dean made an announcement for a lawn care seminar in Southfield sponsored by Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority, Wayne County, and Oakland County.

5. ARC Accomplishments Presentation (Kelly Cave)

Ms. Cave gave a slide presentation originally presented at Rouge 2005 highlighting projects and improvement in Rouge Watershed ecosystem health.

6. Summary of Actions of Full Alliance (Robert Beckley)

Chair Beckley summarized the actions of the meeting noting that four motions were passed:

- 2005 budget amendments,
- 2006 Budget,
- ARC officers insurance policy,
- Invitation to Wayne County Airport Authority to join ARC as Associate member.
- Support for Technical Committee's application for CMI grant funding on behalf of ARC.

7. Meeting Schedule (Robert Beckley)

Chair Beckley solicited opinions on how future Alliance meetings should be structured with regard to length and function. A number of comments were provided indicating that the Executive Committee should deliberate planned actions with the Full Alliance serving the function of a ratification committee. Full Alliance meetings should be limited to 2 hours beginning around 1:00 P.M. A suggestion was made to make handout packets available prior to the meeting, possibly on the website with members only accessibility.

8. Adjourn

Attachment 1: Guest Attendance List

Alliance of Rouge Communities
 January 6, 2006 Meeting
 ATTENDANCE LIST - GUESTS

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Name	Representing	Please provide phone and e-mail address if you would like to be noticed of future meetings.	
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Attachment 2: Executive Committee 2006 Recommended ARC Budget

**Assembly of Rouge Communities
Proposed 2006 Budget
Recommended by Executive Committee: 6 January 2006**

Revenue Available for 2006 Budget

2006 Dues from Communities	\$	294,971.00	*
2006 Rouge Project Grant	\$	284,971.00	
Rollover Budget from 2005	\$	15,781.00	
	\$	595,723.00	

*** Include Communities that Approved the By-Laws by 1-06-2006**

Requested Assembly 2006 Budget Items	Committees Recommendation	Committees Preferred	Finance Committee Recommendation	Staff
Organization Committee				
OC1 Staff Support	\$ 70,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 70,000	To be hired by ARC/RPO
OC2 ARC Insurance	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	outside purchase (NOF)
OC3 Subwatershed Advisory Group Facilitation	\$ 20,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 20,000	RPO
<i>Organization Committee Total</i>	\$ 100,000	\$ 140,000	\$ 100,000	
Public Education and Involvement Committee				
PIE1 Public Education Committee Support	\$ 30,000	-	\$ 30,000	RPO
PIE2 Five-Year Strategic Plan	\$ 2,000	-	\$ 2,000	RPO/SEMCOG
PIE3 Household Hazardous Waste Committee Facilitation	\$ 5,000	-	\$ 5,000	RPO
PIE4 Measuring Our Success Posters	\$ 36,000	-	\$ 36,000	RPO
PIE5 Fertilizer Education Pilot Program	\$ 24,000	-	\$ 24,000	RPO/SEMCOG
PIE6 Municipal Training Guidebook Printing	\$ 3,000	-	\$ 3,000	Wayne County
PIE7 OSDC Workshop Materials**	\$ 900	-	\$ 900	RPO
<i>PIE Committee Total</i>	\$ 100,900	-	\$ 100,900	
Technical Committee				
TC1 Baseline Sampling Program	\$ 290,000	-	\$ 290,000	RPO
TC2 Rouge Data Dissemination	\$ 4,000	-	\$ 4,000	RPO
TC3 Lab Services	\$ 12,000	-	\$ 12,000	Paragon/RTI
TC4 IDEP	\$ 48,024	-	\$ 40,000	TBD
TC5 Continuous Monitoring	\$ 45,976	-	\$ 45,976	USGS
<i>Technical Committee Total</i>	\$ 400,000	-	\$ 391,976	
Total Amount Requested by All Committees	\$ 600,900	\$ 640,900	\$ 592,876	
Available Budget	\$ (5,177)	\$ (45,177)	\$ 2,847	

** Budget carryover from the 2005 budget

**Alliance of Rouge Communities
Proposed 2006 Budget Amendments
Recommended by Executive Committee: 23 August 2006**

Alliance 2006 Budget Items	Existing Budget	Recommended Amendment	Amended Budget	Funding Source		
				ARC Dues	Rouge Grant	CMI Grant
Organization Committee						
OC1 Staff Support	\$ 70,000	\$ -	\$ 70,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	\$ -
(1) OC2 ARC Insurance	\$ 10,000	\$ (5,900)	\$ 4,100	\$ 4,100	\$ -	\$ -
OC3 Subwatershed Advisory Group Facilitation	\$ 20,000		\$ 20,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ -
(2) OC4 Funding Application Support	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500	\$ -
<i>Organization Committee Total</i>	\$ 100,000	\$ 9,100	\$ 109,100	\$ 56,600	\$ 52,500	\$ -
Public Involvement and Education Committee						
PIE1 Public Education Committee Support	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ -
(3) PIE2 Five-Year Strategic Plan	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -
(4) PIE3 Household Hazardous Waste Committee Faci	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,500	\$ -
PIE4 Measuring Our Success Posters	\$ 36,000		\$ 36,000	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000	\$ -
(5) PIE5 Fertilizer Education Pilot Program	\$ 24,000	\$ (10,000)	\$ 14,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,000	\$ -
(6) PIE6 Municipal Training Guidebook Printing	\$ 3,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 7,000	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500	\$ -
PIE7 OSDC Workshop Materials	\$ 900	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ 450	\$ 450	\$ -
<i>PIE Committee Total</i>	\$ 100,900	\$ -	\$ 100,900	\$ 50,450	\$ 50,450	\$ -
Technical Committee						
(7) TC1 Baseline Sampling Program	\$ 290,000	\$ (10,000)	\$ 280,000	\$ 140,000	\$ 140,000	\$ -
TC2 Rouge Data Dissemination	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -
TC3 Lab Services	\$ 12,000		\$ 12,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ -
TC4 IDEP	\$ 40,000	\$ -	\$ 40,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ -
TC5 Continuous Monitoring	\$ 45,976	\$ -	\$ 45,976	\$ 22,988	\$ 22,988	\$ -
(8) TC6 CMI Grant for Bacteria Source Tracking	\$ -	\$ 76,429	\$ 76,429	\$ 13,215	\$ 13,215	\$ 50,000
<i>Technical Committee Total</i>	\$ 391,976	\$ 66,429	\$ 458,405	\$ 204,203	\$ 204,203	\$ 50,000
Total Budget	\$ 592,876	\$ 75,529	\$ 668,405	\$ 311,253	\$ 307,153	\$ 50,000
(9) Unallocated	\$ 2,847	\$ 25,612	\$ 28,459	\$ 14,230	\$ 14,230	\$ -

Amendments

- (1) Reduction to budget due to final actual expenditure (\$4,100).
- (2) Allocation of \$15,000 from unallocated funds to assist ARC in pursuing alternate funding sources (e.g., prepare grant applications)
Note that the eligibility of using Rouge Grant funds to prepare applications under other grants needs to be investigated on a case-by-case basis
- (3) Added to Item PIE2, related to 2006 Planning Committee
- (4) Added to Item PIE3, related to HHW Subcommittee
- (5) Reduction to budget due to final expected actual expenditure
- (6) Added to Item PIE6, related to printing "Partners in the Protection And Restoration of the Rouge River Watershed"
- (7) Reduction of task budget due to shared cost with the new Task TC6.
- (8) New Item TC6, budget for new state CMI grant awarded to the ARC for bacteria source tracking
- (9) Changes to the amount of unallocated funds due to the following activities which occurred after December 2005:
 - a) Amount not spent from 2005 budget, determined from final actual expenditures \$ 42,123
 - b) Dues from Franklin and Orchard Lake (multiplied by two for federal match) \$ 3,118
 - c) CMI grant award to ARC \$ 50,000
 - d) Funds needed under this amendment \$ (75,529)
 - e) Additional possible federal match for unused ARC insurance budget \$ 5,900

Total \$ 25,612

Alliance of Rouge Communities
Initial Request by ARC Committees: 2007 Budget
Presented for Review and Discussion: 23 August 2006

Expected Budget Available for 2007

* 2007 Dues from Communities	\$ 296,530.00
** 2007 Rouge Project Grant	\$ 290,530.00
*** Possible Rollover Budget from 2006	\$ 28,459.00
	\$ 615,519.00

* Based on 2006 dues amounts

** Amount may be less if some of the costs associated with pursuing other funding sources is determined to be ineligible

*** Current contingency amount in 2006 Budget

Proposed 2007 Budget Items	Committee Proposal (4)	Funding Source		Staff
		ARC Dues	Rouge Grant	
Organization Committee				
OC1 Staff Support	\$ 90,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	RPO
(3) OC1.2 Public Education Committee Support	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ -	RPO
(1) OC2 ARC Insurance	\$ 6,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	outside purchase
OC3 Subwatershed Advisory Group Facilitation	\$ 20,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	RPO
<i>Organization Committee Total</i>	\$ 146,000	\$ 88,000	\$ 58,000	
Public Education and Involvement Committee				
PIE2 Long-Term Planning Efforts for ARC PIE	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	RPO
PIE3 Household Hazardous Waste Committee Facilitation	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	RPO
PIE4 Measuring Our Success Posters	\$ 36,000	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000	RPO
PIE5 Fertilizer Education Pilot Program	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
PIE6 Information Packet for ARC Members/Local Officials	\$ 7,000	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500	RPO/Wayne County
PIE7 Two Onsite Sewage Disposal System Workshops	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	RPO
(2) PIE8 Research Financial Sustainability of PIE Programs and SWPPI Implementation	\$ 7,000	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500	RPO/Wayne County
<i>PIE Committee Total</i>	\$ 70,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	
Technical Committee				
TC1 Baseline Sampling Program	\$ 275,000	\$ 137,500	\$ 137,500	RPO
TC2 Rouge Data Dissemination	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	RPO
TC3 Lab Services	\$ 12,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	Paragon/RTI
TC4 IDEP	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	RPO
TC5 Continuous Monitoring	\$ 29,850	\$ 14,925	\$ 14,925	USGS
TC6 5 Year Monitoring Plan (2008-2012)	\$ 8,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	RPO
(2) TC7 Pursue Grant Opportunities	\$ 50,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	RPO
TC8 Evaluate Data Sharing Opportunities	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	RPO
<i>Technical Committee Total</i>	\$ 393,850	\$ 196,925	\$ 196,925	
Total Amount Requested by All Committees	\$ 609,850	\$ 319,925	\$ 289,925	
Available Budget	\$ 5,669	\$ 2,835	\$ 2,835	

Notes

- (1) Not a Rouge grant eligible item; funded 100% from ARC dues
- (2) Eligibility of using Rouge Grant funds to prepare applications under other grants needs to be investigated
- (3) This task was labeled PIE 1 under 2006 budget
- (4) This proposed budget has not been reviewed by the Finance Committee

Alliance of Rouge Communities Status Report
2006 Fiscal Year
Updated 7/31/2006

Activity	Budget*	Paid	Remaining Balance**
Monitoring Program			
- Baseline Sampling Program (RPO)	\$280,000	\$101,328	\$178,672
- Rouge Data Dissemination (RPO)	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000
- Continuous Monitoring (USGS)	\$45,976	\$21,404	\$24,572
- Lab Services for SWPPI Monitoring	\$12,000	\$987	\$11,013
- IDEP (RPO)	\$40,000		\$40,000
- CMI Grant for Bacteria Source Tracking (RPO)	\$76,429		\$76,429
Subwatershed Advisory Group Facilitation (RPO)	\$20,000	\$4,922	\$15,078
Public Education/Involvement Activities			
- ARC PIE Committee Support (RPO)	\$30,000	\$10,381	\$19,619
- Five-Year Strategic Plan (RPO)	\$4,000	\$678	\$3,322
- Household Hazardous Waste Committee Facilitation (RPO)	\$9,000	\$1,125	\$7,875
- Fertilizer Education Pilot Program (RPO)	\$14,000	\$7,160	\$6,840
- "Measuring Our Success" Posters (RPO)	\$36,000	\$894	\$35,106
- Municipal Training Guidebook Printing (Wayne County)	\$7,000	\$0	\$7,000
- OSDC Workshop Materials (RPO)	\$900	\$887	\$13
Staff Support to Alliance (RPO)			
- ARC Staff Support (RPO)	\$70,000	\$24,459	\$45,541
- ARC Insurance (David Chapman Agency)	\$4,100	\$4,100	\$0
- Grants Applications Support	\$15,000		\$15,000
Total Budgeted	\$668,405	\$178,326	\$490,079
Contingency (Not Budgeted)	\$28,459		
Total Available Funds for 2006	\$696,864		

Amount Paid from Alliance Dues	\$91,213
Amount Paid from Federal Grant	\$87,113

Alliance Dues Received	\$275,475
Alliance Dues Available for Future Bills	\$184,262

* Including Amendment recommended by the Executive Committee on August 23, 2006

** Additional funds may have been expended to date.

There is a delay of 30 to 60 days between expenditure and payment.

Alliance of Rouge Communities Status Report
Payment Status Report
2006 Budget Year
Updated 8/15/2006

Vendor	Invoice #	Invoice Amount	Amount Paid	Date Paid	Total per Vendor
Activity: Baseline Sampling Program					
CDM (RPO)	37	\$14,974.39	\$14,974.39	3/28/2006	
CDM (RPO)	38	\$18,783.14	\$18,783.14	4/24/2006	
CDM (RPO)	39	\$24,957.88	\$24,957.88	5/30/2006	
CDM (RPO)	40	\$22,045.48	\$22,045.48	6/27/2006	
CDM (RPO)	41	\$20,567.41	\$20,567.41	7/24/2006	
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
Subtotal: CDM (RPO)					\$101,328.30
Activity: Rouge Data Dissemination					
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
Subtotal: CDM (RPO)					\$0.00
Activity: Continuous Monitoring					
USGS	6-2445-00048 (#1)	\$5,950.00	\$5,950.00	4/24/2006	
USGS	6-2445-00058 (#2)	\$15,454.00	\$15,454.00	7/25/2006	
USGS			\$0.00		
Subtotal: USGS					\$21,404.00
Activity: Lab Services for SWPPI Monitoring					
RTI Laboratories, Inc	18813 (#11)	\$102.00	\$102.00	6/27/2006	
Paragon Laboratories, Inc	45196 (#23)	\$885.00	\$885.00	7/25/2006	
Paragon Laboratories, Inc			\$0.00		
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			\$0.00		
Subtotal: Laboratories					\$987.00
Total: Monitoring Program					\$123,719.30

Activity: Subwatershed Facilitation					
CDM (RPO)	37	\$457.87	\$457.87	3/28/2006	
CDM (RPO)	39	\$3,411.04	\$3,411.04	5/30/2006	
CDM (RPO)	40	\$673.53	\$673.53	6/27/2006	
CDM (RPO)	41	\$379.51	\$379.51	7/24/2006	
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
Total: Subwatershed Facilitation					\$4,921.95
Activity: ARC Public Involvement & Education Committee Support					
CDM (RPO)	39	\$6,257.07	\$6,257.07	5/30/2006	
CDM (RPO)	40	\$4,123.94	\$4,123.94	6/27/2006	
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
Subtotal: RPO					\$10,381.01
Activity: Five-Year Strategic Plan					
CDM (RPO)	39	\$519.33	\$519.33	5/30/2006	
CDM (RPO)	40	\$158.62	\$158.62	6/27/2006	
Subtotal (RPO)					\$677.95
Activity: Household Hazardous Waste Committee Facilitation					
CDM (RPO)	39	\$57.71	\$57.71	5/30/2006	
CDM (RPO)	40	\$1,067.60	\$1,067.60	6/27/2006	
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
Subtotal (RPO)					\$1,125.31
Activity: Fertilizer Education Pilot Program					
CDM (RPO)	39	\$1,973.09	\$1,973.09	5/30/2006	
CDM (RPO)	40	\$5,186.85	\$5,186.85	6/27/2006	
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
Subtotal (RPO)					\$7,159.94
Activity: "Measuring Our Success" Posters					
CDM (RPO)	40	\$894.48	\$894.48	6/27/2006	
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
Subtotal (RPO)					\$894.48
Activity: Municipal Training Guidebook Printing					
			\$0.00		
			\$0.00		

Subtotal					\$0.00
Activity: OSDC Workshop Materials					
CDM (RPO)	39	\$849.06	\$849.06	5/30/2006	
CDM (RPO)	40	\$37.62	\$37.62	6/27/2006	
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
Subtotal (RPO)					\$886.68
Total: Public Involvement & Education Committee Support					\$21,125.37
Activity: Staff Support					
CDM (RPO)	37	\$4,015.95	\$4,015.95	3/28/2006	
CDM (RPO)	38	\$2,087.22	\$2,087.22	4/24/2006	
CDM (RPO)	39	\$11,319.18	\$11,319.18	5/30/2006	
CDM (RPO)	40	\$1,202.17	\$1,202.17	6/27/2006	
CDM (RPO)	41	\$5,834.39	\$5,834.39	7/24/2006	
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
CDM (RPO)			\$0.00		
Subtotal (RPO)					\$24,458.91
Activity: ARC Insurance					
David Chapman Agency	188012	\$4,100.00	\$4,100.00	2/2/2006	
			\$0.00		
Subtotal Insurance					\$4,100.00
Total: ARC Staff Support					\$28,558.91
TOTAL					\$178,325.53

NOTES:

- (1) Payments for services provided and costs incurred against the 2006 budget.
- (2) There are additional funds which have been expended against the 2006 budget which have not yet been billed/paid.
There is a delay of 30 to 60 days between expenditure and payment.

Alliance of Rouge Communities Status Report
2006 Fiscal Year
Updated 8/15/2006

Community [10, 11]	Cost Allocation [7]	2006 Assessment Paid
Member Communities		
Allen Park	\$760	\$760
Auburn Hills	\$257	\$257
Beverly Hills	\$2,866	\$2,866
Bingham Farms	\$625	\$625
Birmingham	\$3,044	\$3,044
Bloomfield Hills	\$2,524	\$2,524
Bloomfield Twp.	\$16,014	\$16,014
Canton Twp.	\$25,437	\$25,437
Commerce Twp.	\$523	\$523
Dearborn	\$24,202	\$24,202
Dearborn Heights	\$8,906	\$8,906
Farmington	\$2,604	\$2,604
Farmington Hills	\$25,227	\$25,227
Franklin	\$1,446	\$1,446
Garden City	\$6,810	\$6,810
Inkster	\$6,464	\$0
Lathrup Village	\$1,220	\$1,220
Livonia	\$29,010	\$29,010
Melvindale	\$2,634	\$2,634
Northville	\$1,758	\$1,758
Northville Twp.	\$9,532	\$9,532
Novi	\$15,634	\$15,634
Oakland County	\$0	n/a
Orchard Lake	\$113	\$0
Plymouth	\$2,209	\$2,209
Plymouth Twp.	\$10,362	\$10,362
Pontiac	\$508	\$508
Redford Twp.	\$12,160	\$12,160
Rochester Hills	\$1,876	\$1,876
Romulus	\$2,077	\$2,077
Southfield	\$18,792	\$0
Superior Twp.	\$7,369	\$7,369
Troy	\$4,395	\$0
Van Buren Twp.	\$6,334	\$6,334
Walled Lake	\$737	\$737
Washtenaw County	\$0	n/a
Wayne	\$5,152	\$5,152
Wayne County	\$0	n/a
West Bloomfield Twp.	\$12,852	\$12,852
Westland	\$20,243	\$0
Wixom	\$528	\$528
Ypsilanti Twp.	\$1,055	\$1,055
Sub Totals	\$294,259	\$244,252
Percent Confirmed		83.0%

Other Items that Affect 2006 Dues	Cost Allocation	Balance to Date
Prevoius Years Unused Dues	\$28,952	\$28,952
WCAA	\$2,271	\$2,271
CMI Grant	\$50,000	\$0
Other Items Total	\$81,223	\$31,223

Total (Assessment and Other Items)	\$375,482	\$275,475
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Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration Project
Projects Recommended for Funding
Round VII-Part B Federal Grants for Storm Water General Permit Activities

Project Number	Lead Agency	Project Description	Federal Share
RVIIIB-01	South Oakland County Water Authority	Earth Friendly Landscapes, Rain Gardens & Public Education For Rouge River Water Quality	\$34,000
RVIIIB-02	Canton Township	Lower Rouge River Recreational Trail Head and Associated Trails Project	\$219,403
RVIIIB-03	Lawrence Technological University	Rain Garden Educational and Demonstration Project	\$19,624
RVIIIB-04	Friends of the Rouge	Public Education and Involvement Projects Sept 06 to Oct 07	\$303,603
RVIIIB-05	Oakland County Drain Commissioner	Rouge Oakland Communities Public Education Efforts	\$91,650
RVIIIB-06	Oakland County Drain Commissioner	Rouge Oakland IDEP Activities	\$110,868
RVIIIB-08	City of Southfield	Rouge River Streamwood Stream Bank Erosion Mitigation Project	\$63,000
RVIIIB-09	Oakland County Drain Commissioner	Edwards Relief Drain Ditch/Swale Storage Project	\$90,390
RVIIIB-10	Oakland County Drain Commissioner	Jacobs Drain-Pebble Creek Tributary Regional Detention and Enhancement Project - Part II	\$87,630
RVIIIB-12	Cranbrook	Rouge River Water Festival @ Cranbrook 2006 and 2007	\$94,679
RVIIIB-13	City of Southfield	Carpenter Lake Fisheries Management	\$65,000
RVIIIB-14	City of Dearborn	DPW Yard Storm Water Management	\$188,019
RVIIIB-18	Bloomfield Township	Bloomfield Wetland Inventory	\$19,685
Total			\$1,387,550

Proposals Submitted August 1, 2005

CSO=Combined Sewer Overflow

SSO=Sanitary Sewer Overflow

SW = Storm Water

NOTE: These projects are recommended for funding pending agreement by the agency to required changes to and conditions on the scope of work and budget for the project. The required changes and conditions will be discussed with the agency at the project startup meeting. The projects recommended for funding are pending on approval of Wayne County's Grant Amendment request to EPA and reallocation of the frozen grant funds back to the Rouge Grant.

Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration Project
Projects Recommended for Funding
Round VII Part A Federal Grants for CSO/SSO Control Projects

Project Number	Lead Agency	Project Description	Federal Share
RVIIA-01	City of Westland	Flow Metering and I&I Evaluation in City of Westland	\$127,873
RVIIA-02	City of Inkster	CSO Outfall L49 Sewer Separation and 10 inch Relief Sewer	\$865,600
RVIIA-03	City of Allen Park	Post-Project Flow Monitoring for Assessment of Public Sewer System Inflow Reduction and Upgrade	\$100,000
Total			\$1,093,473

Proposals Submitted August 1, 2005

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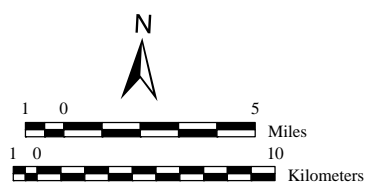
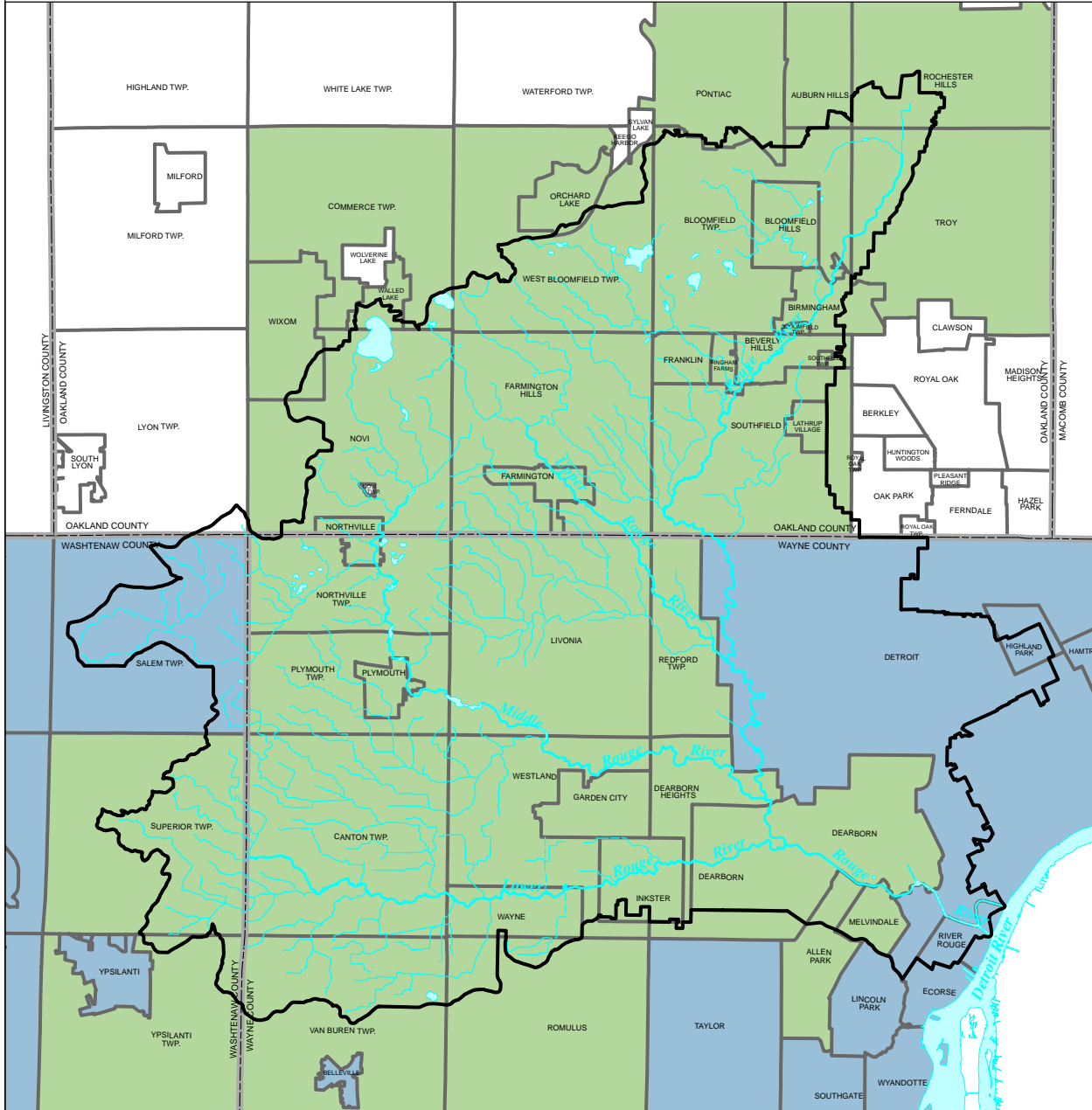
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ROUGE RIVER WATERSHED

Alliance By-Laws Approval Status



LEGEND

- Rouge watershed boundary
- Rouge River main branch
- Tributary
- Enclosed drain
- Lake
- County boundary
- Community boundary
- By-laws approved (community)
- By-laws approved (county)

Alliance of Rouge Communities 2006 Task Status

Revised: August 22, 2006

ARC 2006 Budget Items		Approved 2006 Budget	Staff	Task Status
Organization Committee				
OC1	Staff Support	\$70,000	RPO	Staff support to Alliance and standing committees. Includes: meeting coordination, reporting, administrative support, information preparation and dissemination, and maintenance of ARC web site. STATUS: Full Alliance meeting held January 6. In February, Wayne County prepared and mailed the 2006 dues invoices as part of their in-kind services contribution. Executive Committee meetings held March 22, June 14 and August 2. Organizational Committee prepared policies on cooperating partners and FOIA compliance and approach for contracting 2007 staff support services. Developed Associate membership dues methodology. Prepared and distributed ARC News. Drafted interim procedures for pursuit of grants. Drafted procedure for preparation of an RFP to fill the Executive Director position. Maintained ARC membership records, distribution lists and files. Web site updates are on-going.
OC2	ARC Insurance	\$4,100	David Chapman Agency	STATUS: Paid
OC3	Subwatershed Advisory Group Facilitation	\$20,000	RPO	a) Sub-watershed Advisory Group (SWAG) meeting facilitation and coordination STATUS: Main 1-2, Main 3-4 and Lower 1 applied for 319 grant to update SWMPs. The MDEQ review of these grant applications is still underway. Lower 1 and Lower 2 SWAGs coordinated with the field sampling coordinator on sampling site selections for 2006. The Main 1-2 SWAG met on February 22nd and the Middle 3/Lower 2 met on April 4th. Middle 3/Lower 2 met on August 15th.
Organization Committee Total		\$94,100		
Public Involvement and Education Committee				
PIE1	Staff Support	\$30,000	RPO	Coordination of public information and education activities with communities, volunteer organizations, and other regional efforts. STATUS: The PIE Committee met on March 15, 2006 at Cranbrook Institute of Science, May 17, 2006 at Livonia DPW and July 12, 2006 in Beverly Hills.
PIE2	Five-Year Strategic Plan	\$2,000	RPO/SEMCOG	Staff support to the PIE Committee to develop a five-year plan for public involvement and education activities for the Alliance of Rouge Communities STATUS: The committee met on July 11, 2006 in Troy and discussed various issues, including draft 2007 budget items.
PIE3	Household Hazardous Waste Committee Facilitation	\$5,000	RPO	Staff facilitation (four meetings) task force to research existing HHW waste activities in the watershed and make recommendations for a more comprehensive HHW initiative in the Rouge River Watershed in 2007. STATUS: The HHW survey is complete and will be discussed at the HHW Committee Meeting on August 4, 2006 at Commerce Court.
PIE4	Measuring Our Success Posters	\$36,000	RPO	Create posters for the Middle 1 and Middle 3 subwatersheds highlighting progress towards SWPPI goals. STATUS: Staff is continuing to work on the posters and will meet with the Middle 3/Lower 2 SWAG on August 8, 2006 in Dearborn Heights and the Middle 1 SWAG on August 12, 2006. Text and figures prepared for bacteria, flow, dissolved oxygen, and total phosphorus for Middle SWMAs.
PIE5	Fertilizer Education Pilot Program	\$24,000	RPO/SEMCOG	Conduct a fertilizer education pilot program in the Middle 3 and the Upper Subwatersheds. STATUS: This committee will conduct two events in conjunction with Wayne County's Nutrient Reduction Program in September.
PIE6	Municipal Training Guidebook Printing	\$3,000	Wayne County	STATUS: Nothing to report.
PIE7	Workshop Materials	\$900	RPO	Preparation of materials for three OSDS workshops. STATUS: This task is complete. The Committee would like to present two septic system maintenance workshops in 2007 and produce a video for watershed-wide use.
PIE Committee Total		\$100,900		
Technical Committee				
TC1	Baseline Sampling Program	\$280,000	RPO	a) SWPPI monitoring in the Lower 1 and 2 Subwatersheds (15 dry weather events at 12 locations and 5 wet weather events at 2 locations). STATUS: 10 dry weather surveys and 3 wet weather surveys have been completed. Five dry weather event summary reports have been prepared. The remaining reports will be completed upon receipt of laboratory data. b) Planning for 2006 monitoring season; includes development/approval of field sampling plan and standard operating procedures. STATUS: Field Sampling Plan and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) were updated for 2006 and approved by USEPA. Sampling planning including field equipment maintenance was completed. Coordinated with the Lower 1 and 2 SWAGs to select sampling locations, including preparation of data summary presentations of past monitoring results.

Alliance of Rouge Communities 2006 Task Status

Revised: August 22, 2006

ARC 2006 Budget Items	Approved 2006 Budget	Staff	Task Status
TC1 Baseline Sampling Program (continued)			<p>c) Technical assistance to Technical Committee (TC) and SWAGs. STATUS: A CMI grant application was submitted to MDEQ to perform a bacterial source tracking study that was awarded, including a 35% match from the ARC for a total budget of \$76,429. The TC met on March 20th to discuss MDEQ's response to Wayne County's SWPPI update that included IDEP and PEP templates and an alternative IDEP approach. The committee reviewed and commented on the final draft IDEP template, and after revisions, distributed it to ARC communities for use submitting SWPPI updates to MDEQ. The committee recommended using IDEP funds to develop a comparison of the alternative IDEP approach to the traditional approach in response to a request for this analysis by MDEQ. The committee also suggested the development of an annual report template.</p> <p>A data summary presentation of 2005 sampling results was prepared and presented to the Middle 3 SWAG. The TC Chair and committee representatives attended a pre-TMDL stakeholder meeting held by MDEQ to discuss the upcoming pathogen and biota TMDL reports expected next year. The TC met on June 30th to review and approve IDEP task work and site selection for the bacterial source tracking study and to prepare a preliminary budget for 2007. Budget recommendations were submitted to the Finance Committee. Prepared and presented a summary of the historical and 2005 Middle 1 monitoring data to the Middle 1 / Lower 1 SWAG on August 10, 2006.</p> <p>d) Loading and processing of all data (including USGS, Rainfall, and data funded/collected by others in support of Rouge Project) into the Rouge sampling database, including QA/QC review and interpretive analysis. STATUS: All 2005 ARC data has been loaded and final QA/QC review is complete. Data collected from other agencies in 2005 (FOTR, MDEQ, Wayne County Health Dept.) is formatted and loaded as it is received. Data were requested and have been received from the DNR and DEQ for their habitat, fish community, macroinvertebrate, and frog and toad studies performed in 2005. 2006 field sampling data is being reviewed and processed for loading as they are received from the laboratory.</p> <p>e) Annual Rouge River Eco-system Monitoring and Assessment report (2005 data). STATUS: 2004 report has been completed and is posted on the Rouge River website. Preparation of the 2005 report is in progress.</p>
TC2 Rouge Data Dissemination (WebView)	\$4,000	RPO	Update the on-line database to include 2005 final data. STATUS: WebView (www.rougeriver.com/database) updates to include all 2005 data are pending the loading of watershed partner data sets.
TC3 Lab Services	\$12,000	Paragon / RTI	Laboratory analysis of wet and dry event samples. STATUS: Coordination with laboratory regarding start up of sampling activities for 2006 has been completed. On-going coordination during dry and wet event sampling. Data undergoes preliminary review as results are received. Note: During 2 dry weather sampling events elevated ammonia levels were measured in the McKinstry Drain at Michigan Avenue (Lower 1 SWMA). RTI and Paragon invoices are reviewed and forwarded to Wayne County as they are received.
TC4 IDEP	\$40,000	TBD	Prepare memorandum to MDEQ comparing the alternative IDEP approach to the traditional approach recommended by MDEQ that includes outfall inventories every 5 years and draft an annual SWPPI report template that can be used by ARC communities. STATUS: An information request letter has been prepared and distributed to all Rouge Watershed communities requesting information regarding their IDEP activities in the past seven years. Seven communities and 2 counties have supplied their data. Awaiting summary of Oakland County data before drafting report.
TC5 Continuous Monitoring	\$45,976	USGS	<p>a) Continuous monitoring of dissolved oxygen and temperature at 2 locations from May through October. STATUS: USGS has installed the dissolved oxygen and temperature monitoring equipment and was operational prior to May 1, 2006. On-line Real-time data is reviewed in preparation for dry and wet events and is available at http://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis</p> <p>b) Continuous monitoring of and water level and stream flow at 9 locations from May through October. (2 stream flow locations on the Lower Rouge River at Military and Hannon Roads and acquisition of data from the remaining 7 gages funded by the USGS) STATUS: Equipment installed and operational prior to May 1, 2006. On-line Real-time data is reviewed intermittently in preparation for dry and wet events and is available at http://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis.</p> <p>c) Spring installation/fall removal of equipment, regular maintenance of sampling sites and field equipment, data processing and calibration adjustments. STATUS: Water quality sondes have been installed, are operational, and undergo routine maintenance.</p>
TC7 Bacterial Source Tracking CMI Grant	\$76,429	RPO	Analysis of 48 samples collected from 24 different locations to be analyzed for E. coli and two BST tests to help assess the presence of human sewage. STATUS: 19 samples have been collected during dry weather. Positive hits for human gene biomarkers were observed at U01 (Upper at Powers Rd.), U15 (Bell Branch), and D62 (Tonquish Creek). Remaining dry weather sampling complete with an additional positive location identified for human biomarker, G97 (Henry Ruff).
<i>Technical Committee Total</i>	<i>\$458,405</i>		
Total 2006 ARC Budget	\$653,405		



Wayne County
Department of Environment
Watershed Management Division
MEMORANDUM

To: Kurt Giberson, Treasurer, Alliance of Rouge Communities
From: Kelly A. Cave, Director *Kelly A. Cave*
Re: Audit Requirements under Watershed Alliance Act, PA 517 of 2004
Copy: Finance Committee, Alliance of Rouge Communities
Date: 16 August 2006

A member of the Finance Committee, Tim Faas, recently solicited my opinion regarding whether budget needed to be allocated in 2007 or 2008 to perform an audit of the 2006 finances of the Alliance of Rouge Communities (ARC). Section 31205 of PA 517 of 2004, the Watershed Alliance Act, states:

- (1) A watershed alliance shall obtain an audit of its financial records, accounts, and procedures at least every other year.
- (2) A watershed alliance shall submit the results of an audit under subsection (1) to the governing bodies of its members and to the state treasurer.
- (3) An audit under subsection (1) shall satisfy all audit requirements set under the uniform budgeting and accounting act, 1968 PA 2, MCL 141.421 to 141.440a.

I have researched this issue with various parties (including our Department of Management and Budget) and offer the following for your consideration:

- Wayne County is serving as fiduciary for the ARC through the end of 2006 under a fiduciary agreement between the ARC and the County.
- No monies other than those collected on behalf of the ARC were received by the ARC, and no expenditures of the ARC were paid except by Wayne County on its behalf
- Wayne County contracts for an audit of its financial records, accounts and procedures every year.
- Wayne County's audit meets the test of local agency audits required by the state under subsection (3) above.
- Wayne County submits the results of the annual audit to the state treasurer as required by state law.

Based on this research, I offer the following recommendations for your consideration:

- During the period that Wayne County acts as fiduciary for the ARC, the ARC can refer to the County's annual audit to comply with subsection (1) above. A separate audit is not needed unless desired by the Finance Committee and/or the ARC.
- To comply with subsection (2) above, the ARC (presumably, the Treasurer) can submit a letter to the ARC members and the state treasurer notifying them that the Wayne County

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audit is performed annually, is submitted to the state treasurer annually, and is available for review upon request.

Note that this recommendation is consistent with the research conducted on this issue and subsequent procedure followed by the three downriver watershed groups in Wayne County, formed under the Inter-Municipality Committee Act (PA 200 of 1957), which has similar language under Section 123.637:

- (1) The intermunicipal committee shall obtain an audit of its financial records, accounts, and procedures not less frequently than biennially as determined by the intermunicipal committee.
- (2) The intermunicipal committee shall submit the results of an audit under subsection (1) to the state treasurer.
- (3) An audit under subsection (1) shall satisfy all audit requirements set under the uniform budgeting and accounting act, 1968 PA 2, MCL 141.421 to 141.440a.

**ADDENDUM
TO
FIDUCIARY AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF WAYNE AND THE ROUGE RIVER WATERSHED
LOCAL MANAGEMENT ASSEMBLY**

The Fiduciary Agreement between the County of Wayne, Michigan, a body corporate and Charter County ("County") and The Rouge River Watershed Local Management Assembly, superceded by "The Alliance of Rouge Communities" ("ARC"), enables the County to perform fiduciary activities on the behalf of the ARC and provide funds from the federal grants for the Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration Project (Rouge Project) to the ARC to perform their projects.

As provided by Section 1.3 of the Fiduciary Agreement, this addendum to the Fiduciary Agreement provides clarification regarding authorization of services performed on behalf of the ARC.

A representative or alternate representative of the ARC, selected by a vote of the full ARC, shall provide written confirmation to Wayne County to authorize on the ARC's behalf, each contract to provide services to the ARC. Such contracts include, but are not limited to, Rouge Program Office work plans for ARC services under the Rouge Project and grant agreements between the ARC and other entities.

**FOR CONSIDERATION BY
ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Proposed by Tom Biasell, Farmington Hills
14 June 2006**

Resolve that,

The Executive Committee of the Alliance of Rouge Communities recommends to the Wayne County Department of Environment that the Round VII A & B demonstration subgrants be evaluated based upon the eligibility requirements established at the time of the original Notice of Grant Availability for the Round VII subgrant program and that the actual awards be based upon the application of the scoring criterion previously reviewed and approved by the Technical Committee, and,

Further resolve that,

The Executive Committee reaffirms and supports the position that any future Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration Project (Rouge Project) subgrants or other grants obtained by the ARC should not be ~~directly~~ awarded to public entities that are eligible for membership in the ARC, but have chosen not to join.

Approved @
6/14/06
Exec Committee

Alliance of Rouge Communities Interim Draft Procedures for the Pursuit and Acceptance of Grants

Objectives:

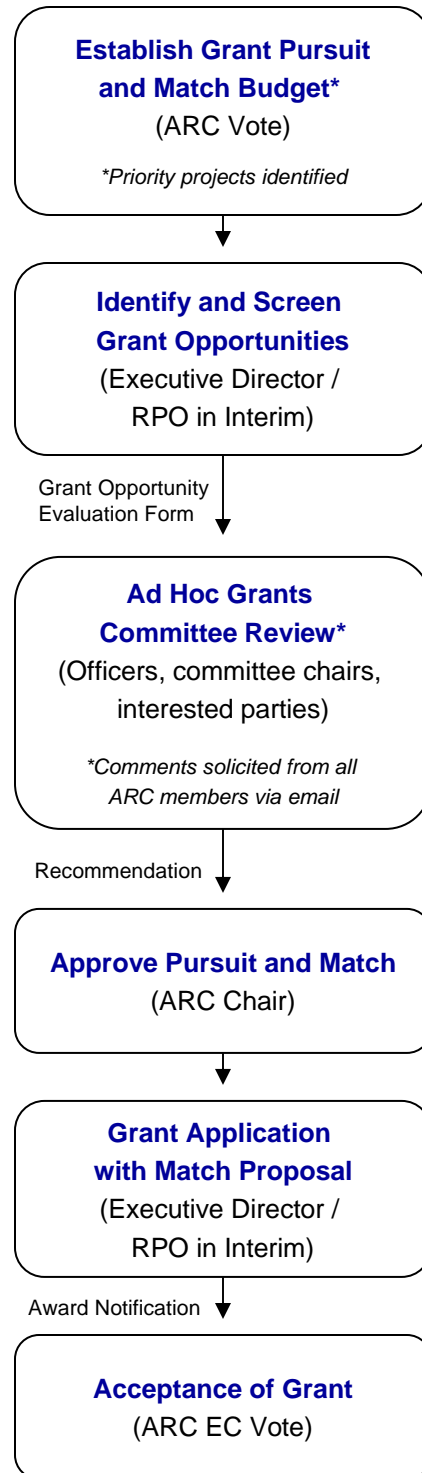
- Take a proactive approach to the pursuit of grant opportunities to support ongoing ARC activities
- Develop procedures that maximize probability of success and include proper authorization to commit grant pursuit and match funds

Application Criteria:

- The ARC should apply for grants that offer watershed wide benefits. Individual members should apply for grants that provide only local benefits. The ARC may choose to endorse individual members' grant application.
- ARC grant applications should focus on core ARC priorities such as:
 - Watershed management planning
 - Studies - collection of data
 - Public involvement and education
 - Annual reporting
 - Acquisition of hardware and software
 - Data management and analysis
 - IDEP investigations
 - Staff support

Procurement Policy:

- The ARC Organizational Committee should develop a policy to guide the procurement of services for the preparation of grant applications and execution of services for successful awards.
- Consistent with ARC procurement policy, the ARC should accept assistance from willing ARC members and consultants to help prepare grant applications.






Bloomfield Township

Dave Payne, Supervisor • Janet Roncelli, Clerk • Dan Devine, Treasurer
Sherry Stefanos, Trustee • David Buckley, Trustee • Neal J. Barnett, Trustee • Leo C. Savoie, Trustee

August 7, 2006

Wayne Domine, P.E. – Acting Chair
Alliance of Rouge Communities
4200 Telegraph Road
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302

Dear Mr.  Domine,

As the Alliance of Rouge Communities (ARC) delegate to the Rouge River Advisory Council (RRAC) for the past two years, I am writing to request that a new delegate be appointed to represent the ARC. While I have enjoyed my experience representing the ARC at RRAC meetings, I think it is time to appoint a new delegate to serve for the next two years. I would be happy to assist the new delegate during the transition period with any questions they may have.

Kind regards,



Meghan Bonfiglio
Bloomfield Township



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ORDER FORM

The Public Involvement and Education (PIE) Committee has purchased a limited quantity of publications **available for free** to ARC communities. To order these publications, please complete this form and fax it to Zachare Ball at 734-769-3164.

Item	Number of Copies Available Per Community	Number of Copies Requested
Detention Pond Manual	160	
FOG (Fats, Oil and Grease) Brochures		
For Residents	500	
For Businesses	100	
Septic System Maintenance Brochures	500	

Name: _____

Community: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Orders will be distributed at the ARC meeting on August 23, 2006 in Canton Township. If you have any questions, contact me at zball@ectinc.com or call 734-769-3004.



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Alliance of Rouge Communities

Organization Committee Report and Recommendations

(Kurt Heise and Dave Payne, Co-Chairs)

Allen Park
Auburn Hills
Beverly Hills
Bingham Farms
Birmingham
Bloomfield Hills
Bloomfield Township
Canton Township
Commerce Township
Dearborn
Dearborn Heights
Farmington
Farmington Hills
Franklin
Garden City
Inkster
Lathrup Village
Livonia
Melvindale
Northville
Northville Township
Novi
Orchard Lake Village
Plymouth
Plymouth Township
Pontiac
Redford Township
Rochester Hills
Romulus
Southfield
Superior Township
Troy
Van Buren Township
Walled Lake
Washtenaw County
Wayne
Wayne County
Wayne Co. Airport
Authority
West Bloomfield Twp.
Westland

The Organization Committee met in Farmington Hills on July 27, 2006, to review the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee appointed by the Acting Chair of the ARC (Wayne Domine) at the last Executive Committee meeting. The charge to the Ad Hoc Committee was to recommend a process that would allow the ARC to select its own providers of ARC support services beginning in January of 2007, and to review its recommendations with the Organization Committee. The appointed Ad Hoc Committee members were Co-Chairs of the Organization Committee (Kurt Heise and Dave Payne) and former ARC officers Tom Biasell and Jim Anulewicz (A copy of the Ad Hoc Committee's report is attached for your information).

Following a presentation of the report and discussion the Organization Committee approved the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee with modifications that represented the consensus of those present.

The substantive modifications added by the Organization Committee to the original recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committees are shown in bold.

1. The ARC should request proposals to provide basic services for the ARC through the dedication of an individual that would perform as an ARC Executive Director.
2. The Scope of Services would include the facilitation and staff support for the ARC itself, the ARC officers, the Executive Committee, the ARC standing Committees, SWAGS, and any Ad Hoc committees established by the ARC as well as other services normally associated with an Executive Director of an organization such as preparation of grant applications, representation of the ARC before other governmental and non-governmental bodies.

3. In addition to cost, the selection of an individual or firm to provide the basic services should be based on both their experience and qualification to provide the basic services and their capability to perform or arrange for the performance of services related to projects supported by the ARC (e.g., public education, sampling, laboratory analyses and water quality data reports, and related technical support of members in meeting their storm water permit requirements)
4. The Organization Committee, with the ARC Officers approval, should solicit interest from firms, individuals, **regional public entities and non-profit organizations** that may have an interest in providing such services through publication and wide distribution of a description and scope of services being sought by the ARC.
5. The Organization Committee should select **three** individuals to receive inquiries of interest and arrange times at which interested parties will be encouraged to react to the description and scope of services, ask questions, and/or offer suggestions. The selected Organization Committee members would be authorized on behalf of the ARC to provide confidentiality assurances, if requested, to anyone or any entity expressing an interest at this preliminary step in the selection process. The **three** selected Organizational Committee members would provide a brief summary report of questions, suggested modifications, or issues raised in the discussions with interested parties to assist in finalization of the formal request for proposals and the selection process.
6. Finally, the full ARC appoint a selection committee composed of the three newly elected officers at its August 2006 meeting, and other ARC members as the officers determine are appropriate, to finalize a request for formal proposals based upon interested party responses to the draft, and implement the selection process leading to a recommendation for the final contract award to be considered at the full ARC meeting December 2, 2006.

The Organization Committee appointed Tim Faas, Tom Biasell and Wayne Domine to initiate the following based upon the concurrence of ARC officers Kurt Giberson and Wayne Domine's who were present at the meeting:

- finalize the description and scope of services being sought by the ARC
- develop a list and distribution process that will alert the largest possible number and types of potential service providers of the ARCs interest in obtaining support services
- organize general meeting(s) and or one-on-one follow-up discussions with those entities or individuals expressing interest
- prepare a recommended process for soliciting final proposals for contract services for the ARC for use by the selection committee appointed by the ARC officers elected at the August meeting of the ARC

On behalf of the Organizations Committee, we recommend that the Executive Committee concur in the process outlined above for presentation to the full ARC at its August meeting. I tentative schedule for the process is attached.

Tentative Schedule Procurement of Contract Services for the ARC

Action	Start	Complete	Responsibility
Approval by ARC of Process		August 23, 2006	Full ARC
Finalize scope of services, notice potentially interested firms, persons and other entities, seek comments, recommend process	August 2, 2006	By September 10, 2006	Biasell, Fass, and Domine
Formally solicit proposals from those interested	By September 15	By October 15	3 new ARC officers plus selected ARC members
Interview and make recommendation to Executive Committee	By October 15	By November 15	3 new ARC officers plus selected ARC members
Recommendation of Executive Committee	November 15	By December 6	Executive Committee
Final selection by ARC	December 6, 2006	December 6, 2006	Full ARC
Contractor begins work for ARC	January 1, 2007		



RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

ROBERT BECKLEY

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- Auburn Hills
- Beverly Hills
- Bingham Farms
- Birmingham
- Bloomfield Hills
- Bloomfield Township
- Canton Township
- Commerce Township
- Dearborn
- Dearborn Heights
- Farmington
- Farmington Hills
- Franklin
- Garden City
- Inkster
- Lathrup Village
- Livonia
- Melvindale
- Northville
- Northville Township
- Novi
- Orchard Lake Village
- Plymouth
- Plymouth Township
- Pontiac
- Redford Township
- Rochester Hills
- Romulus
- Southfield
- Superior Township
- Troy
- Van Buren Township
- Walled Lake
- Washtenaw County
- Wayne
- Wayne County
- West Bloomfield Twp.
- Westland
- Wixom
- Ypsilanti Township

***WHEREAS** Robert Beckley served as the first Chair of the Alliance of Rouge Communities as a representative of the City of Livonia during the critical transition from the informal Assembly of Rouge Communities to its present status as a state recognized watershed-based public entity*

***WHEREAS** his voluntary efforts in helping establish a watershed approach to storm water management in the 1990s led to the development of the first watershed-based storm water discharge permits and the subsequent formation of the Assembly of Rouge Communities*

***WHEREAS** through his leadership as Chair of the Upper Rouge River Stormwater Advisory Group, the first pilot subwatershed plan was developed that later became a model for the entire state*

***WHEREAS** Robert's leadership abilities were recognized by his peers when he was elected as Chair of the Assembly of Rouge Communities in December of 2004, and affirmed as Chair of the newly created Alliance of Rouge Communities in 2005*

***WHEREAS** Robert has accepted a new position with the City of Surprise, Arizona to take on new challenges*

***THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alliance of Rouge Communities wishes to express its sincere appreciation to Robert Beckley for his support, guidance, and contributions to the restoration of the Rouge River through his early and sustained leadership in the development of cooperative watershed approaches*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alliance of Rouge Communities collectively and individually offers its best wishes to Robert Beckley as he assumes responsibility for new water management challenges with well deserved pride for his accomplishments and contributions to the City of Livonia, the Rouge River watershed, and the southeast Michigan region.*

Adopted _____ at the August ____, 2006, meeting of the Alliance of Rouge Communities

Wayne Domine (Bloomfield Township)
Acting Chair, Alliance of
Rouge Communities

Kurt Giberson (Dearborn)
Treasurer, Alliance of
Rouge Communities

ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES FINANCE COMMITTEE CHARGE

1. **Monitor Expenditures and Income**
Reviews and monitor, for consistency with Alliance approved budget, collection of assessments from participating local agencies, and expenditure of funds; and, prepare status reports to the Executive Committee and to the Alliance for presentation at each of their meetings (*Ongoing activity*)

2. **Annual Financial Statement**
Assist Treasurer in preparing written annual report each year, in consultation with the Alliance fiduciary, on revenue and projected expenditures to end of calendar year for presentation to and review by the full Alliance at its annual budget meeting (*Once a year in December*)

3. **Audit Function**
Recommend to the Executive Committee an appropriate approach for year-end accounting (audit) of all funds collected through assessment of members and expenditures made through fiduciary on behalf of Alliance (*Audit process to be completed 75 days following the end of each calendar [fiscal] year*)

4. **Annual Proposed Budget**
Prepare draft recommendations for the next year's Alliance annual budget in consultation with standing committee chairs, and proposes corresponding community assessments for consideration by the Executive Committee (*Once a year*)

5. **Other Charges**
As may be assigned by the Alliance or the Chair of the Alliance

Public Involvement and Education Committee Goals

The Public Involvement and Education Committee established the following goals and tasks:

1. Educate and engage local elected officials and staff about issues affecting the Rouge River Watershed and the Rouge Assembly.
 - Create a brochure targeting public officials
 - Establish a work plan that will bring the elected officials to the organization as active members of the Assembly
2. Establish and support a baseline of information available to watershed audiences to assist members in meeting permit requirements and leveraging resources.
 - Generate a list of all public involvement/public education products developed by permit-holders and non-permit holders
 - Integrate information into the SEMCOG regional database
 - Investigate university resources
 - Establish procedures to avoid separate duplicated approaches which result in additional cost to a community.
3. Expand resources by working with other organizations, institutions, businesses and stewardship groups.
 - Poster Contest
 - Support the recruitment and education of a volunteer monitoring group (PIE will collaborate with the Rouge Assembly technical committee)
4. Develop a strategy to educate and involve people who live in the watershed about issues that affect them and how they affect the watershed.
 - Create Public Relations Committee
 - Develop media campaign and determine cost
 - Press releases
 - Advertisements
 - Show individuals that their actions affect the river and that a lack of citizen stewardship can result in additional taxes and cost to the entire watershed.
5. Continue to educate the public and look for opportunities to enhance programming.
 - Brochure
 - Interpret and communicate monitoring results in easy-to-understand terms
 - Use Rouge Repair Kit (connect audience with messages)
6. Evaluate the effectiveness of public education efforts and programs
 - Conduct a survey
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7. Investigate other funding opportunities specific to public involvement and public education.
8. Bring to the Rouge Assembly, for consideration, a name that may be more user-friendly. In addition the committee will look at the logo, however, they felt strongly that any modification would include the current logo as a base, since it has already had a great deal of exposure.

ALLIANCE OF ROUGE COMMUNITIES TECHNICAL COMMITTEE CHARGES

1. **Sampling/Monitoring Program Design**
Review and recommend sampling plans/changes. Develop and oversee monitoring program, with the current five-year plan to be updated in 2007. (*On-going activity*)
2. **Data Collection, Interpretation and Reporting**
Oversee data collection, quality control, interpretation and reporting; including monitoring program assessments and recommendations for future monitoring. (*On-going activity*)
3. **Permit/Regulation Oversight**
Recommend to Executive Committee, Alliance responses to MDEQ permit/regulation requirements (e.g., applications, annual reports, SWPPIs, IDEP, TMDL etc.) (*As needed*)
4. **Budgeting and Oversight of Technical Committee Tasks**
Develop annual budget for technical committee projects and review/approve work plans. Investigate alternative funding mechanisms / grant opportunities. (*On-going activity*)
5. **Joint Projects**
Recommend funding joint technical Alliance projects through Executive Committee to investigate/develop BMPs to address storm water related issues with broad applicability to watershed communities. Coordinate with PIE Committee on projects of joint interest. (*Consider at least once each year as part of budget process in December*)
6. **SWAG Consultation**
Collaborate with SWAGs on monitoring and subwatershed management plan updates. (*On-going activity*)
7. **Other Charges**
As may be assigned by the Alliance or the Chair of the Alliance