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Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2010 3:26 PM

To: Anderson, Kevin Cc: Slagle, Jody

Subject: RE: Thank you for attending the Environment Trace Contaminants Workshop - Upcoming

Workshop in September

Attachments: Great Lawn Dillo.jpg

## Hi Kevin,

Thanks for having me, and a huge thanks for the acetaminophen! I just wanted to clarify a fact about the Dillo Dirt application on the Great Lawn; we put it on the entire field, not just the upper southwest area. The attached photograph shows the middle east side of the park during that phase.

You said that you were monitoring the Dillo dirt in the Great Lawn because you knew no one else would. Let me assure you that I am closely monitoring and documenting things in the park (excluding the 1000\$ a sample ETC testing). I liked your idea of having a presence during the festival promoting Dillo dirt. I have a very good working relationship with some of the C3 folks, including the festival director. I am going to float the idea with him, and I will let you know his reaction. Let me know if/when you have a more concrete idea of what you think this effort would entail. At this point, they would really have work to squeeze you in if you are thinking of having a booth type affair.

I am looking forward to seeing the September meeting data, but since that is crunch time gearing up for ACL, I doubt that I will be able to attend the actual meeting.

Did any of your last round of ETC sampling capture the reclaimed water that we use? If so, I would like to see that too. Thanks Again,

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http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/ohenry/punoff.htm

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**Cc:** Meszaros, Greg; Slusher, Daryl; Burazer, Jane; Bhattarai, Raj; Buchman, Kevin; Mora, Miriam **Subject:** Thank you for attending the Environment Trace Contaminants Workshop - Upcoming Workshop in September

Thank you to everyone for attending the environmental trace contaminants workshop today.

We had 88 people attend, and so, as the attached pictures show, we had to add lots of extra chairs.

I was impressed by the robust conversation and attentive questions.

The presentations were excellent, full of insights about the complexity of ETC/PPCP research and issues, and generated questions which we will explore in future ETC workshops here at the CER.

Thank you to the USGS presenters and staff who gave their time and expertise.

- Tim Oden, Water Quality Specialist, USGS Houston
- Ed Furlong, Research Chemist, USGS National Water-Quality Laboratory, Denver
- Pete Van Metre, Research Hydrologist, USGS, Austin
- Mike Canova, Hydrologist, USGS Austin
- Dana Kolpin, Research Hydrologist, USGS Iowa Water Science Center, Iowa City, Iowa
- Bruce Brownawell, Associate Professor, Stony Brook University, School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences, Stony Brook, NY

Thanks to Lynne Fahlquist for coordinating the USGS agenda and bravely managing the AV technology for the workshop. Thanks to Bob Joseph for lending us his USGS staffers for the day and demonstrating what a valuable resource the USGS Texas Water Science Center is such a valuable resource is.

Thanks to David Greene and Heather Cooke from AWU for helping run the workshop and keeping the coffee flowing.

Thanks to Richard Jones Barbecue for bringing a superabundance of food to feed the masses [ www.rjbbq.com ].

We are working on getting the presentations in a form to share with everyone, and I will let you know when we have them ready.

The next ETC workshop will be in September and will focus on ETC research here at Hornsby Bend by the USDA, USGS, and TPWD-ECL partnership. This workshop will be a more in-depth look at the preliminary data presented yesterday by Mike Canova of USGS, but, additionally, Mari-Vaughn Johnson and Virginia Jin from USDA will present data from their research, and staff from TPWD Environmental Contaminants Laboratory will participate as well.

We will set the date for the September workshop soon, and I will let everyone know.

## Some Online Resources

From USGS the Toxic Substances Hydrology Program website has a wealth of information, and, most relevant to yesterday's workshop, this link to studies on biosolids,

http://toxics.usgs.gov/highlights/biosolids.html

From Texas Tech University
THE MICROPOLLUTANTS CLEARINGHOUSE PROJECT
http://www.micropollutants.org/

**THE PURPOSE OF THE MICROPOLLUTANTS CLEARINGHOUSE PROJECT** is to provide an on-line, publically accessible, research resource on the legal, regulatory, institutional, policy, and related scientific aspects of micropollutants in fresh water systems. It is designed as a dynamic and robust database of documents, reports, information, analyses, articles, and other materials that:

- a. relate to micropollutants -- such as pharmaceuticals, endocrine disruptors, and personal care products -- that affect fresh water quality;
- b. address existing, proposed, and alternative legal, regulatory, and institutional mechanisms for dealing with water quality issues;
- c. present the scientific underpinning for existing, proposed, and alternative legal, regulatory, and institutional mechanisms for dealing with water quality issues; and
- d. address related decision-making mechanisms or processes.

The long-term objective of the Micropollutants Clearinghouse project is to continue building on the existing knowledge of information and to expand the contents available in the Clearinghouse on this important topic. This is critical for developing and evaluating water laws, regulatory actions, and policies relevant to the presence and effects of micropollutants in fresh water systems.

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<u>Dillo Dirt and Hornsby Bend</u> website - <a href="http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/water/dillo.htm">http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/water/dillo.htm</a>

Hornsby Bend Bird Observatory website - http://www.hornsbybend.org

Texas Riparian Association website - http://www.texasriparian.org

