

2024-10-21_ODOT Monthly Check-in Meeting

Meeting Title:	ODOT Monthly Check-in Meeting
Date/Time:	October 21, 2024 / 11:30 am - 12:00 pm
Attendees:	ODOT: Jonathan Horowitz, Michael Watts, David McDonald, Anna Roller Herrera: Jess Brown DEQ: Wes Thomas
Location:	Teams Meeting

Meeting Notes:

- ODOT received the draft Advanced Plans submittal. The Advanced Plans come with an engineering cost estimate. When ODOT discussed the costs with their consultant shortly before receiving the Advanced Plans, the engineers cost estimate was approximately \$29.9MM, which is equal to the funding ODOT has available for the work. However, when the Advanced Plans were submitted, costs were estimated at \$33.6MM (exceeding the budget available to complete the work by \$3.7MM).
 - ODOT is following up with consultant to understand why there was such a large discrepancy between their verbal estimate and the estimate attached to the Advanced Plans.
 - ODOT is looking for opportunities for cost savings, including balancing costs between excavation shoring vs sloping, etc. However ODOT is not optimistic that these cost saving measures will reduce the project costs by ~\$3.7MM.
 - ODOT notes that the costs include allowances for escalation/inflation and contingency, but that these amounts do not make up the difference.
 - ODOT discusses potential SCM prioritization in basins that have multiple SCMs proposed. For example OF-16 and OF-18 have a combination of biopods to treat ODOT runoff, and then CDS units that treat a larger portion of the basin, including ODOT and non-ODOT flow. In these cases, the bio-pod treated water would be treated twice. Could ODOT remove the biopods if needed for budget?
 - DEQ needs to think through the prioritization process more. DEQ recommends revisiting the topic next time we meet.
- DEQ review new dioxins/furans rank order curves.
- ODOT notifies DEQ that the supplemental stormwater sampling from the previous water year is now complete.
- DEQ notes that we anticipate completing our review of the SCM Monitoring Work Plan soon.