

Central Sands Groundwater County Collaborative (CSGCC) Meeting

July 24th, 2023 - 10:00 am

Location:

**Portage County Annex Building
Conference Rooms 1&2**

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Agenda

1. Call to order and attendance
2. Review and approval of prior meeting minutes
3. Legislative updates
4. Introduction of members and collaborators – Check with Counties to see if there are new representatives
5. County groundwater updates - Conservation and Public Health (order JAWaWoPM)
6. Discussion/Possible Action on next steps for CSGCC
7. Discussion Possible Action on CSGCC Handout
8. Upcoming meeting(s)
9. Adjourn

Stated Goals of this Collaborative (for reference):

1. Understand current groundwater conditions by developing a sampling strategy to collect baseline water quality information across the Counties in the Central Sands Region. This information will be used to identify areas with elevated nitrate levels. In areas considered "hot spots", further analysis will be conducted to evaluate likely sources of nitrate contamination.
2. Gain a uniform understanding of methods to prevent nitrogen contamination in groundwater based on information from previous studies conducted in the central sands and similar settings.
3. Understand where areas most vulnerable to groundwater contamination exist to guide the development and use of ordinances, practices, and other preventative responses for land use.
4. Develop a unified regional outreach strategy to provide partisan-free education about groundwater conservation and water quality safety to the general public.
5. Create a model structure for regional collaboration on groundwater management that can be applied statewide.