

Meeting Notes
Ashokan Watershed Stream Management Program
Highway Manager Meeting

Location: AWSMP Phoenicia Office	Date: 11/10/2011	Time: 8:30-10:30am
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Topic: Review of Irene Flood Response from Municipalities

Attendees:

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Updates:

1. Flood response from the last few months was front and center for the entire group. Discussion detailed Best Practices for emergency response and quick recovery of roads and bridges for public safety and access. Topics of discussion also covered FEMA's response.

Training Needs:

1. The flood response discussion brought to light the definite need for the AWSMP, particularly Soil & Water staff to provide further training for municipal contractors & employees on stream BMPs. The thought was that Highway Managers could encourage contractors to attend during the slower construction time in the winter for a comprehensive training. CCE and Soil & Water staff will work together to create a flip chart of pictorial examples and graphed recommendations for the field.
2. A Soil & Water and Advisory Council committee will start to plan the training and start preparation of the informational flip chart with CCE. The training may or may not be planned for the next Highway meeting day and time but further information will be communicated as the date is finalized.

Thank you to all those who utilized the technical services of the Soil and Water Staff at the AWSMP office during your flood recovery projects. We look forward to continued work together and planning future projects.

Next Meeting: (2nd Thursday every other month) January 12th at 8:30am-10:30am.