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Stormwater Management Team Meeting

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The meeting of the Stormwater Management Team was called to order at 2:00 pm. Dean provided an overview of the progress made on achieving the timelines of the University's MS4 permit. The requisite goals and the completion dates of those goals that are identified in the University's stormwater permit and have either been completed and implemented or will be completed prior to September 1, 2009.

A review of the storm water training programs that have been added to the Stormwater Management web site was provided by Dean and new members apprised of the web site where that information could be accessed. Information about the stormwater management web site has recently been provided to the campus community via UNI On-Line. This electronic notification vehicle has become the accepted manner in which information is provided to the University community about a host of issues.

Terry provided an overview about the manner in which the Grounds Unit applies herbicides, fertilizers and pesticides in response to a question from Robert about how the University determines when and how much to apply. Terry provided information about the Integrated Pest Management program that guides the Grounds Unit in its applications of those materials. He also shared some of the history about some alternative solutions turf management that the University has explored in efforts to incorporate the use of natural materials.

Information was provide to the new members about how salt is used in the University's snow management program and that sand would be re-introduced in the salt mixture to reduce the amount of salt used on streets, sidewalks and parking lots. Discussion also dealt with the manner in which sidewalks on campus could be designated as primary or secondary in an effort to reduce salt application and the risk associated with not cleaning sidewalks and streets to the same level as is currently done.

Doug shared information about how the University and the City of Cedar Falls work together to ensure that each is apprised of the other's projects that could impact on the environment. Dean provided information that the City's Public Works Department has

expanded its street sweeping to include the University's streets in the spring and again in the fall, time permitting, yet another example of the collaborative efforts between the City and the University.

Dean shared the increased emphasis by the Environmental Health and Safety Office on developing web-based training programs about stormwater management.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45pm.

For the Committee,

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