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Dear Core Team Member,

We look forward to the second Core Team meeting for the Sandy Creeks Ecosystem-based Management Initiative, and trust it will be as productive as the first. As you know, our goal is to develop a list of specific projects and an implementation strategy by the end of December. Thank you for participating.

The second meeting will be held at the Adams Municipal Building on November 20th. Please find an agenda and directions attached. Hearty snacks/light dinner will be provided beginning at 5:45 pm.

We ask that each participant do the following prior to our November 20th session:

(1) Reflect on Meeting #1

- Review the vision statement. Does this capture what is most important to your stakeholders/peers? If not, be prepared to propose modified language for consideration.
- Review the list of issues and priorities in the meeting #1 notes; does this summarize the discussion? If not, what would you change?
- From your stakeholder perspective, what are the top three priority issues on this list?

(2) Prepare for Meeting #2

- What current actions or activities are proposed, planned, or underway in the Sandy Creeks watershed that we should all be aware of as we move forward?

To help you prepare, included is a worksheet to list your priorities and to outline important activities you perceive happening in the watershed. Please try to complete this worksheet before the meeting. All the meeting materials are posted on the web site, go to <http://ecologicllc.com/scebm.html>

Also, the proposed December 10th date for the third and final meeting conflicts with several core team members' schedules. We would like to change the date of that meeting to Monday, December 15. Please check your calendar to see if this date works; if not, come with some alternate dates.

If you are unable to travel to the November 20th meeting, a conference call-in number will be provided. Please contact Katie Malinowski at 785-2380 or email Katie@tughill.org to confirm your attendance.

Best regards,

Sandy Creeks EBM Demonstration Project Steering Committee

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Enc (5): agenda, worksheet, revised vision statement, list of issues and priorities from Meeting #1, directions to the Adams Municipal Building

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