

**Board of Health Meeting
September 13, 2011**

DEPARTMENT: Laboratory

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MONTH: August, 2011

Highlights

Date	Meeting	Purpose	Outcome
August 1, 2011	City of Wilmette, IL Parks District and Water Utility	Requested site visit for potential rapid molecular lab	The State of IL provided funding for the City of Wilmette to implement a rapid molecular lab at their water utility. At their request (and travel expense) personnel visited the site and gave suggestions for how to accommodate the necessary work/work flow. Affirmation of the lab's status as regional experts.
August 1 - 27, 2011	US EPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative North Beach Study	Provide field testing and laboratory analysis in support of this national study	The laboratory was the successful bidder to do field sampling / laboratory analysis for the EPA contractor WESTAT. Samples were collected through August 27 th . Lab analysis will be completed by September 3 rd . This was a wonderful opportunity with the laboratory generating \$20,571.40 in revenue.
August 2, 2011	Laboratory Systems Improvement Program	Invited expert in the field of public health research	Participated in a round table discussion hosted by the Milwaukee Community Foundation on how local public health laboratories can identify and participate in topical research objectives. It was a good meeting.
August 11, 2011	Adam Mednick, WI Department of Natural Resources	Train staff on use of modeling programs	Mr. Mednick visited Racine to conduct training on the use of EPA model building software for staff (Wright, Koski, and Kurdas). Training was useful.
August 19 th and August 25, 2011	US EPA (Al Dufour, Elizabeth Sams, and Ed Hudgens)	Site visits related to EPA GLRI North Beach study	Two different branches of the EPA conducted site visits of our facility in relation to their study for which we have been contracted to provide laboratory services. All were impressed.
August 31, 2011	US EPA (Holly Wirick, Marietta Newell, and Tom Polleck)	Site visit related to EPA Research Methods contract	Representatives from US EPA Region 5 conducted a site visit in relation to our cooperative research on rapid molecular testing. They are satisfied with our progress to date.