

Executive Committee Meeting – Fall 2025

Virtual

December 5, 2025

Attendees

M. Puchalski, M. Shafer, J. Lynch, S. Strebels, R. Tanabe, E. Felker-Quinn, S. Knapp, N. Deyette, J. Collett, T. Sharac, D. Wischnack, N. Topie, N. Miller, T. Dombek, M. Mank, C. Dahman, M. Kuether, K. Novak, S. Benish, D. Gay, Y. Hassanzadeh, M. McHale, D. Felix, A. Dickens, A. Pina, T. Allen, B. Meys, K. Tingi, H. Carthart, A.M. Macdonald, E. Uram, A. Cole, K. Foley

Program Office Updates

- Personnel and staff updates:
 - Jamie Schauer retired, but transitioned to Emeritus. Rudy Johnson is the new lab director
 - Sarah will spend ½ time with NADP and ½ with UW (future research)
 - Plan for Assistant Coordinator
- Budget and inflation
- MDN switch to 2-week sampling will cut costs and 15 sites are participating
- AMoN switch to ALPHA begins Jan 13, 2026.
- Move to Optical Character Recognition (OCR)

Committee and Advisory Reports

- QAAG: Update on lab projects. QAR complete and in circulation for review.
- NOS:
 - Motions: Approving change to the minimum sample volume for MDN analysis from 1.5 to 1.7 mL (and changing the “v” note code to a sample volume that is < 1.7 mL) and extending the passive Hg network through 2026.
 - MDN bag sampling updates
- Joint
 - Update on PFAS monitoring and PFN Subnetwork
 - Motions:
 - Approved transition of the PFAS NTN subnetwork pilot to an official NADP subnetwork for all participants beginning with the sample deployed on April 7, 2026. Any PFN sponsors that are required to sequester their data must notify the PO prior to February 1, 2026. Quality assurance activities will be incorporated into the annual QAR. The network will maintain its provisional status until it becomes an official NADP subnetwork
 - Approved changes to the NTN and MDN field forms to include:
 - NTN field form section 6: bucket sample weight for the lid change out procedure

- NTN and MDN section 7: remove precipitation record entirely
 - NTN and MDN increase size of section 10 (remarks section)
 - NTN reformat to optimize OCR
- EOS:
 - Providing support for efforts to establish high school monitoring sites and student poster/presentation evaluations during the NADP Science Symposium (will be seeking volunteers)
 - Request for committee chairs to send slides used to recap meeting activities for newsletter
- DMAG: NTN/MDN Field Form edits (motion included in Joint)
- CLAD:
 - Meeting scheduled for December 11, 2025
 - Welcome Jeff Sorkin as new CLAD secretary
- TDEP:
 - Motion: Approved M. Barna as new secretary
 - Update on TN/TP study, Earth Engine TDEP dataset tool, and TDEP model
- MELD:
 - Passive Hg pilot will continue through 2026 (motion passed in NOS)
 - Meeting scheduled for December 17, 2025
 - Motion to come about reducing type and quantity of samplers and blanks deployed
- Budget:
 - Met virtually in July 2025
 - BAC recommended that the Executive Committee move from the Radiello passive samplers to the ALPHA passive samplers for AMoN with confirmation that the supplies would consistently be available from the UK. The field results should be shared during an upcoming Executive Committee meeting. The shift to ALPHAs will occur with the January 13, 2026 samples. The Executive Committee approved Radiello to ALPHA during the August meeting.
- AMSC:
 - All science committees are required to request renewal from the Executive Committee every 4 years unless the science committee submits an annual report to be posted publicly on the committee website every year after the initial 4-year renewal. AMSC is up for renewal
 - Report out on AMSC activities
 - Motions:
 - Approved extending AMSC as a Science Committee for another 4 years. Amendment required AMSC to participate in the Spring Science Symposium.
 - Request to provide dedicated electronic storage managed at NADP (1 TB) for a central repository to ensure continuity and access. Discussions about journal article sharing through a university website

and website and storage area for PollenSense data tabled. Motion withdrawn after discussion about other storage options

Federal Agency and Stakeholder Reports

Report outs heard from USDA-NIFA, FWS, NPS, EPA, FS, USGS, NOAA, SAES Directors & NSRP=3, ECCC, LADCO, MD DNR, ME DEP, MN PCA, NY DEC, NYSERDA

New Business and Updates

- PFAS Network 12-point plan update
 - The Executive Committee will discuss the transition to an official subnetwork at the March monthly meeting to verify that the QA documentation and procedures are approved ahead of the April 7 start date
- Spring Science Symposium