

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 13, 2016

TO: William Stowe, CEO and General Manager

FROM: Jennifer Terry, Environmental Advocacy Leader

SUBJECT: Environmental Advocacy Outreach November 15-December 13, 2016

*In 2016, Jennifer conducted 170+ one-on-one meetings with water stakeholders; presented on behalf of DMWW 18 times, including events in Minnesota and Wisconsin; led six tours of the Fleur Drive Treatment Plant and provided policy input for water quality work groups and conferences such as the Greater Des Moines Partnership water quality policy committee, Upper Mississippi River water quality work group, and Iowa Soil and Water Task Force.*

In the past month, Jennifer Terry met with the following water quality stakeholders to identify areas of collaboration, as well as potential shared advocacy efforts, for clean water:

- Iowa Public Health Association
- Environmental Working Group
- Iowa Rivers Revival
- Iowa Alliance for Responsible Agriculture (Steering Committee)
- Drake University researcher Peter Levi
- Iowa Association of Water Agencies
- Greater Des Moines Partnership President Gene Meyer
- Iowa House GOP Caucus Staff – presentation, legislative priorities
- Iowa Citizens for Community Improvement
- Des Moines Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Several individual meetings with state legislators to introduce 2017 priorities

Other Outreach:

- CIRDWC Executive Meeting – legislative update
- Iowa Farmers Union Annual Conference – policy amendments

- Environmental Round Table – introduce legislative priorities, hosted by Iowa Environmental Council
- Gulf Hypoxia Task Force annual meeting webinar – monitored for updates on environmental measures and funding; the United State Environmental Protection Agency will be developing a uniform measure of progress using water quality monitoring for the 12 states in the Mississippi River Basin who have nutrient reduction strategies—will continue to monitor this development
- Provided input on legislative priorities for annual meeting of Iowa Watershed Management Authorities, hosted by Des Moines Metropolitan Planning Organization