# Contaminated Materials Management External Advisory Group (CMMEAG) November 16, 2015 Meeting Minutes

## External Participants:

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# Issue Workgroup Summary and Discussion

#### Material Characterization -

- The issue paper on definition of clean soil was preliminarily approved by Remediation and Redevelopment (RR) Program and Waste and Material Management (WMM) Program management teams. Was also well received at the NR700 focus group. Further information is being gathered from Wisconsin labs relating to MDL issues and specifying acceptable levels. A formal approval process is in development.
- Material that falls in the gradient between "clean" and restricted (landfill) material was discussed. These guidelines will be summarized in a document for review.
- PAH Study an update was given. The study is anticipated to cover three topics;
  1) Define a "no action required" process for widespread contamination 2) work with DHS to reassess PAH soil standards and 3) determine background threshold levels of PAH compounds. There will be opportunity for public input as the study moves forward. Those on the CMMEAG will be informed of meeting dates.

Utility, DOT and Local Government – Discussion was held on sampling and reporting requirements. Additional discussion about moving forward with a Best Management Practices (BMP) guidance. DNR will follow up with a summary document.

Long-term Stewardship – this work group is paused, pending outcomes on other issues

Tracking – Status update given. The issue paper with tracking recommendations was taken to RR Management Team. Approval was given to evaluate further. Issues with implementing as proposed continue internally. This workgroup is considered complete.

Innovative Initiatives – The concept of a voluntary soil management certification program was introduced at the NR700 Technical Focus Group.

#### **Next Meeting Date**

The DNR will send out an email to notify members of the next meeting date. One workgroup will be scheduled prior to the next full group meeting in January.

#### Action Items

- DNR will continue internal discussion of tracking recommendations.
- DNR will provide a summary document for material that falls between "clean" and restricted (landfill).
- DNR will determine the next meeting date (December workgroup/January full group) and notify members via email.

# <u>Adjourn</u>

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.