

# SUBGROUP: NR 700

Remediation and Redevelopment External Advisory Group



## NOTES

### Remediation and Redevelopment External Advisory Group – NR 700

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2024 | noon-1:30 p.m.  
State Natural Resources Building (GEF 2) | Room 513  
101 S. Webster St., Madison, WI

#### Action items/assignments for next meeting

- **ALL:** Ongoing invitation to introduce policy initiatives for discussion in the NR 700 EAG Subgroup.
- **ALL:** Call for discussion items featuring DNR staff experts, and/or case studies, best practices, interactions with other laws such as local zoning and restrictions.
- **ALL:** Request to all attendees to review both issue papers (site investigations and conceptual site models, fees) included with the meeting materials ahead of next meeting. To volunteer for issue paper development, please email Molly Schmidt [MollyE.Schmidt@wisconsin.gov](mailto:MollyE.Schmidt@wisconsin.gov).
- **ALL:** Subscribe to the [RR EAG listserv](#) to receive information about future meeting dates, agendas, resources, and other EAG-relevant items. Zoom attendees are automatically added to the listserv; if you would like to opt out, please email [Jodie.Thistle@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Jodie.Thistle@wisconsin.gov).

#### Introductions

##### In-person:

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| • Bill Nelson, Godfrey & Kahn            | • Michelle Castille                      |
| • Mark Rutkowski, Shannon & Wilson, Inc. | • Josh Davenport, KPRG                   |
| • Chris Bonniwell, Tetra Tech            | • Curtis Hedman, DHS                     |
| • Jodie Thistle, DNR                     | • Rob Hoverman, DNR                      |
| • Michael Prager, DNR                    | • Jodi Jensen WI Transportation Builders |
| • Pam Mylotta, DNR                       | • Nathan Kloczko, DHS                    |
| • Chad Rogness, Lifetime Radon Solutions | • Jason Lowery, DNR                      |
| • Ryan Blundon, Lifetime Radon Solutions | • Glenn Luke, WEC Energy Group           |
| • Alyssa Sellwood, DNR                   | • Roger Miller, GEI Consultants          |
|  | • Shar TeBeest, DOT                      |
| <b>Zoom:</b>                             | • Chris Valcheff, True North Consultants |
| • Jennifer Borski, DNR                   | • Donna Volk, Ramboll                    |
| • Margaret Brunette, DNR                 |  |

#### DNR updates

- The DNR is working with the 2024 RR Program Rule Advisory Committee to draft two sets of rule revisions. The first relates to continuing obligations, the second relates to soil standards. Meetings of the Rule Advisory Committee are open to the public. The next meeting of the Rule Advisory Committee will be April 12, 2024, and meeting information and registration is available on DNR's [NR 700 rule changes web page](#) (go to [dnr.wi.gov](http://dnr.wi.gov) and search "NR 700 rule changes").

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- The DNR is working with external volunteers to develop two issue papers on (1) fees and (2) site investigation requirements and conceptual sites models. The draft issue papers were provided in meeting materials. These issue papers are intended to identify all/any issues relating to the subject matter – with the idea that a solution could be a legislative proposal, an internal process adjustment, rulemaking, or improved communication strategies and tools. Content relating to administrative rules will help the DNR develop scope statements ahead of initiating the next rulemaking process.
- The DNR plans to initiate the next rulemaking effort in July of 2025 rather than July of 2024 based on staff capacity needed to manage both processes. This will also provide more time to develop issue papers and get EAG input on fees and site investigations and conceptual site models.

#### *Issue Paper Discussion –*

- Staff and external volunteers have drafted outlines for issue papers for two topics, then gathered input at an NR 700 Subgroup meeting and an External Advisory Group meeting. Staff and volunteers then developed outlines into full draft issue papers, which are included with the meeting materials.
- The group discussed the draft *RR Program Fees and Funding Sustainability* issue paper, noting that the paper lists multiple proposals as different options for approaching the issue of funding sustainability. Some options may not be advanced as final recommendations.
- The group discussed the draft *Conceptual Site Models and Site Investigations* issue paper, noting that the paper lists proposals that focus on different issues within a larger subject matter (rather than multiple options for addressing a single issue).
- Next steps for the issue papers include incorporating input from the meeting, adding DNR data on program fees and submittals, and prioritization and/or selection of topics for advancement at the next NR 700 Subgroup meeting.
- To volunteer for issue paper development please email Molly Schmidt [MollyE.Schmidt@wisconsin.gov](mailto:MollyE.Schmidt@wisconsin.gov).

#### *Call for Discussion Items*

- Attendees are encouraged to submit items for discussion at meetings, including items featuring DNR staff experts, and/or case studies, best practices, interactions with other laws such as local zoning and restrictions.

#### *Adjourn*