



PVC (Thermoplastic Casing) Study Group Bureau of Drinking Water & Groundwater

Project Name	PVC (Thermoplastic Casing) Study Group
DGMT Sponsor	Liesa Lehmann, Private Water Section Chief
Workgroup Leaders	Frank Fetter, Private Water Policy Coordinator; Jared Niewoehner, Hydrogeologist
Primary Stakeholder(s)	Private Water Section; Wisconsin Well Drillers
Project Description / Statement of Work	
<p>This ad-hoc group will be comprised of both internal DG staff and external stakeholders (well drillers).</p> <p>The goal for this study group is to provide information and feedback on the use of PVC casing for water wells, specifically:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify applicable research • Learn industry perspectives • Identify questions and concerns about use of PVC casing in Wisconsin • Assess surrounding states' regulations • Identify advantages and disadvantages of PVC casing. 	
Business Case / Statement of Need (<i>Why is this project important now?</i>)	
<p>The department has initiated a new rule-making process to evaluate expanded use of PVC casing for well construction, and is in need of qualitative and quantitative information, including industry perspectives, to inform future rule-making.</p>	
Customers	Customer Needs / Requirements
Private Water Section	Fact-based information and industry perspectives on PVC casing to assist with future rulemaking regarding the potential expanded use of PVC casing in Wisconsin.
Project Definition	
Project Goals	Obtain information and industry perspectives to guide the Department for future rulemaking.
Project Scope	<p>Gather fact based information on PVC casing through the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify applicable research • Learn industry perspectives • Identify questions and concerns about use of PVC casing in Wisconsin • Assess surrounding states' regulations • Identify advantages and disadvantages of PVC casing <p>The scope does not include drafting or reviewing rule language.</p>
Project Deliverables	A summary document of findings from the study group to be provided to the Sponsor.
Project Constraints / Risks (<i>Elements that may restrict or place control over a project, project team, or project action</i>)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time constraints due to concurrent implementation of approved NR812 revisions (Board Order DG-16-16). • External Industry members' availability. 	

Implementation Plan / Milestones *(Due dates and durations)*

- January-February 2020: Study Group forms/1st and 2nd internal meetings
- March-May 2020: Information gathering/external meetings & input
 - Meet 3 to 4 times with external advisory members
- June-July 2020: Internal members compile summary document.

Communication Plan *(What needs to be communicated? When? To who? How?)*

Progress reports will be provided internally by Co-Leaders at monthly check-ins and quarterly Private Water meetings. Study group background documents, agenda, meeting minutes and summary documented will be posted on DNR website for sharing with well drillers, industry and general public.

Change Management / Issue Management *(How decisions will be made. How changes will be made.)*

Decisions on meeting-related items will be made by study group consensus.

Project Team Roles and Responsibilities

Team members	Roles	Responsibilities
Liesa Lehmann	Sponsor	Establish study group charter. Provide direction to study group. Provide progress reports to Drinking Water & Groundwater Management Team.
Frank Fetter	Co-Leader	Schedule, organize and facilitate meetings, guide study group discussion. Draft work products and assign tasks to team members. Provide progress reports to Sponsor.
Jared Niewoehner	Co-Leader	Schedule, organize and facilitate meetings, guide study group discussion. Draft work products and assign tasks to team members. Provide progress reports to Sponsor.
William Roberts	Member	Actively engage in group meetings. Review draft work product and contribute content as directed by Leader.
Steve Janowiak	Member	Actively engage in group meetings. Review draft work product and contribute content as directed by Leader.
Miranda Sachtschale	Member	Actively engage in group meetings. Review draft work product and contribute content as directed by Leader.
RJ Pire	Member	Actively engage in group meetings. Review draft work product and contribute content as directed by Leader.
Bruce Walker	External Member	Actively engage in group meetings. Provide industry insight/experiences.
Jason Hintzke	External Member	Actively engage in group meetings. Provide industry insight/experiences.
David Beecroft	External Member	Actively engage in group meetings. Provide industry insight/experiences.
Mark Traut	External Member	Actively engage in group meetings. Provide industry insight/experiences.
Terry Farago	External Member	Actively engage in group meetings. Provide industry insight/experiences.
Al Smith	External Member	Actively engage in group meetings. Provide industry insight/experiences.

Sponsor Signature


Liesa Lehmann, Private Water Section Chief
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Date