

Waste Site Cleanup Advisory Committee

February 16, 2023

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Agenda - Program Updates

- Transitions – New roles, status of work/office moves, meeting schedule, new WSCAC members, hiring, new staff, new roles
- MCP amendments
- Site Assessment and Remediation Support Services (SARSS) VII
- Soil disposal capacity discussions
- Phase I Site Map
- Federal Sites and Brownfields Funding & Projects
- Technical Assistance Grants
- EEA Environmental Justice Strategy
- Natural Resource Damages Grant Solicitation
- PFAS
- Active Exposure Pathway Elimination Measures



Transitions

- New roles
- Status of work/office moves
 - MassDEP Boston Office, 100 Cambridge Street
 - MassDEP Northeast Office, 150 Presidential Way, Woburn
- WSCAC meeting schedule, new WSCAC members, hiring, new staff/more new roles
- MCP amendments
- Site Assessment and Remediation Support Services (SARSS) VII



Meeting Schedule

- Waste Site Cleanup Advisory Committee Meetings
 - Will be held quarterly on the **THIRD** Thursday of the month at 9:00 am
- BWSC Office Hours
 - Will be held on the **THIRD** Thursday of the month when there is not a WSCAC meeting
 - HOWEVER, in March will be on 3/23/23 at 9:00 am
- In both cases, email reminders will be sent from BWSC.Information



Welcome - New WSCAC Members

- David Leone, Licensed Site Professionals
- Jessica Cajigas-Smith, water distributors



BWSC Hiring – New Roles

- BWSC positions posted in all four regions & Boston
- New hires
- New roles

<https://www.mass.gov/find-your-future-commonwealth-job>



- MCP Amendments
 - Briefing the new administration
- Site Assessment & Remediation Support Services (SARSS) VII
 - New 5-year contract now in place (Feb 1, 2023)



Soil Disposal Capacity Update

- Evaluating concepts provided by MA Soil Beneficial Reuse Coalition (MSBRC)
- Review includes input from BWSC, BAW, OGC and Commissioner



Phase I Site Map

- New URL


<https://maps.massgis.digital.mass.gov/images/dep/mcp/mcp.htm>

MassDEP - Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup

Phase 1 Site Assessment Map: 500 feet & 0.5 Mile Radii

Site Information:
NAD83 UTM Meters:

The information shown is the best available at the date of printing. However, it may be incomplete. The responsible party and LSP are ultimately responsible for ascertaining the true conditions surrounding the site. Metadata for data layers shown on this map can be found at:
<https://www.mass.gov/orgs/massgis-bureau-of-geographic-information>



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Phase 1 Site Assessment Map

[Site Information](#) [Map Layers](#) [Map Help](#) [Contact](#)




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Phase 1 Site Assessment Map

Instructions:

- 1.) Enter Site Information, to be displayed in the map header. Then click "Go to Map" button.
- 2.) Use the tools to navigate the aerial map and located the site with the  tool to generate the MCP map.
- 3.) Click the "Print" button to submit the map to your printer.

(Step 1.) Enter Site Information (Town is required*), then click "Go to Map" button below:

Site Name:

Site Address: *Town:

Release Tracking Number (RTN):

[Waste Site / Reportable Release Look Up](#)

BWSC Federal Grants Division

Federal Infrastructure Law Funding (IIJA or BIL)

- Signed by President Biden in Nov. 2021
- Large Increase in EPA funding of many programs
 - Superfund - \$3.5 billion nationally
 - Brownfields - \$1.5 billion nationally



SUPERFUND UPDATES

EPA Announced Funding & Start of Remedial Actions at Massachusetts Superfund Sites:

- Danvers - Former Creese & Cook Tannery
- Attleboro – Walton & Lonsbury Inc.
- Ashland – Nyanza Chemical Waste Dump



BROWNFIELDS UPDATES

- Received \$900,000 in BIL Funding in January (Yr 1)
- For Site Assessment & Cleanup Projects at selected sites across the state
- Sites funded this year were identified & selected by regional Brownfields teams & State Brownfields Coordinator
- Hope for similar or more funding in next 4 yrs



Central Massachusetts Regional Brownfields Roundtable

Date: March 15, 2023

Time: 11 AM to noon
with time for networking to follow

Location: Chamber of Commerce office
311 Main Street, Worcester

Cost: NO CHARGE

Link for more information and to register:

<https://business.worcesterchamber.org/events/details/construction-real-estate-roundtable-3-15-23-brownfields-roundtable-15006>

The City of Worcester Mayor's Brownfield Roundtable has for years provided Worcester area developers and property owners with important information about accessing government funding for remediating polluted brownfield sites. After years of hiatus, the Chamber has partnered with MassDEP to bring back this important connection point between government and the private sector as the Central Massachusetts Brownfields Roundtable!

Planned Speakers include:

MassDEP - David Foss, Statewide Brownfields Coordinator

EPA - Katy Deng, Brownfields Project Manager and Tabitha Busi, Project Manager, Assessment Grants

MassDevelopment - Shyla Ruffer Matthews, VP Community Investment, Central Region

UConn Technical Assistance for Brownfields - Nefeli Bompoti, PhD, Assistant Research Professor

Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission - Andrew Loew, Project Manager

Additional Regional Brownfields Roundtables are being planned across the Commonwealth throughout 2023.



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Technical Assistance Grants

- 4 TAG applications selected for awards in FY23
- Recipients are 3 municipalities & 1 community action group
- Contract process underway, effective date expected by March
- Proposed projects include:
 - Hiring experts (LSP, risk assessor) to review and interpret technical reports and advise towns/community on site assessment results, response actions, and risk evaluations
 - Increase public understanding of disposal site conditions and enhance public participation in cleanup decisions





EEA EJ Strategy

[EEA's Draft Environmental Justice \(EJ\) Strategy | Mass.gov](#)

- Public comments accepted through **February 17, 2023**
- Five listening sessions
 - Springfield, Roxbury & Chinatown and 2 remote

October 2022

Executive Office of Energy and
Environmental Affairs

Environmental Justice Strategy

Secretariat and agency strategies for proactively promoting
environmental justice in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.



EEA EJ Strategy Next Steps

Early March 2023

EEA will develop document identifying all comments received

- Will share comments applicable to all agencies
- Will share comments received applicable to specific agency

March through May

- Agencies required to create red-line document to show comments accepted
- Develop another document explaining why comments were not accepted and why

End of June 2023

- Final EJ Strategy document
- Develop Implementation Plan

Natural Resource Damages Grant

- The NRD program released a grant solicitation on 2/15/23 for groundwater restoration projects that benefit the Head of the Neponset Sole Source Aquifer.
- Funds come from a NRD settlement associated with the Blackburn & Union Privileges site in Walpole.
- Public meeting (online) on 2/28/23, at 10 am
- More information is available on the state procurement website (COMMBUYS) and on MassDEP's NRD webpage (<https://www.mass.gov/service-details/natural-resource-damages-program-restoration-funds-massdep>).



Bouchard 120 Oil Spill

- Planning underway for commemorative 20-year anniversary event early May

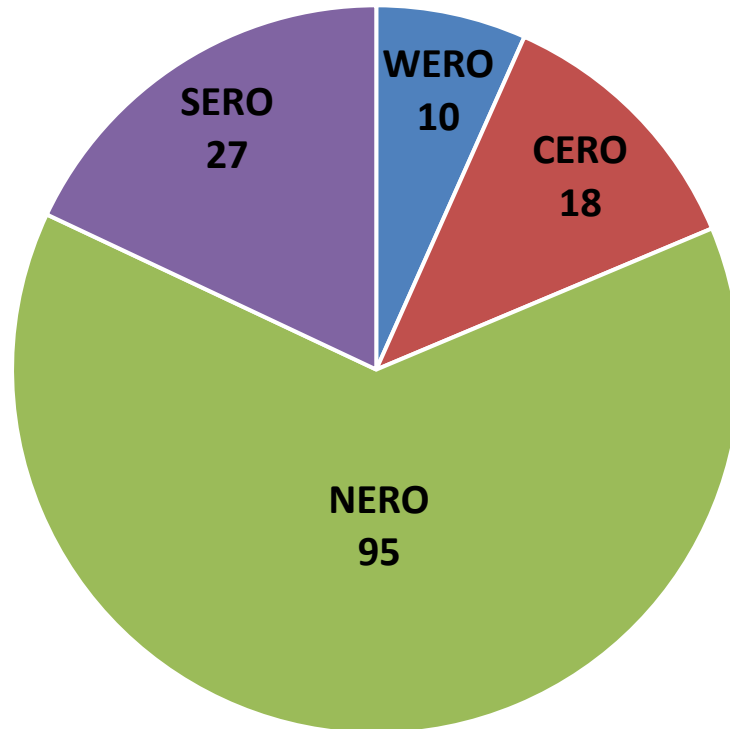
PFAS

- MassDEP continues to focus on PFAS & coordinate across all programs & regions
- BWSC source/site discovery & response is ongoing
 - Identifying and responding to Imminent Hazards
 - Identifying sources & Responsible Parties
- legislation



Active Exposure Pathway Mitigation Measures

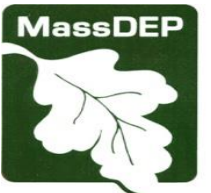
AEPMR RTNs by Region



Status	# RTNs
Perm. Soln.	57
ROS	27
Temp. Soln.	37
Other	29
Total	150

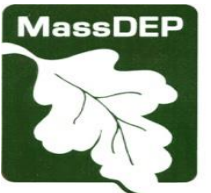
AEPMU Certification for Permanent Solutions

40.1025(7) – The **owner** of the property where an Active Exposure Pathway Mitigation Measure is implemented as part of a **Permanent Solution with Conditions** shall annually certify in response to receipt of a form provided by the Department that:



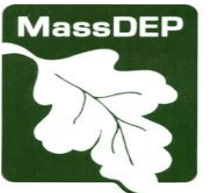
AEPM Certification – 40.1025(7) (cont)

- (a) The property owner is aware of his or her obligation to operate and maintain the Active Exposure Pathway Mitigation Measure to resume operation in the event the Measure experiences suspension or failure;
- (b) The property owner is aware that the Department may upon reasonable notice inspect the Active Exposure Pathway Mitigation Measure to ensure that it is operating pursuant to the regimen established at 310 CMR 40.1025;



AEPM Certification – 40.1025(7) (cont)

- (c) Financial resources are available to the property owner for the immediate repair and/or replacement of components of the Active Exposure Pathway Mitigation Measure in the event the Measure experiences failure; and
- (d) The Active Exposure Pathway Mitigation Measure is operating pursuant to the regimen established at 310 CMR 40.1025.



AEPM Certification

- Certification letter and form previously discussed with WSC Advisory Committee
- Letters sent to current property owner
- Planning to send 65 certifications (includes PSC and Partial PSC RTNs) first week of March
- If email for property owner is available will send electronically in addition to snail mail
- Letters sent and received will be available on eDEP



Thank You for Attending Today's Meeting!

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