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Subject: Re: Wausau GW SF Project Priorities
Date: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 4:01:17 PM

Thanks Jeff, this is helpful. I'm glad tomorrow's meeting will focus on VI and nota broader swath of issues.

I'll discuss this list with Jeff P and our Suoer Fund program coordinator to make sure we're able to assist future initiatives at the site.

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From: Dewey, Jeffrey <Dewey.Jeffrey@epa.gov>
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Subject: RE: Wausau GW SF Project Priorities

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Hi Matt,

Just pinging again since you mentioned meeting before tomorrow's meeting at 9:30am. EPA only plans to discuss the ongoing VI issues at the Site. We don't think the PFAS issue is at the stage yet to discuss with the PRPs.

Overall, these are EPA's priorities:

1. Addressing VI by fully evaluating the VI risk in West Bank buildings, identifying possible VI sources, and performing whatever actions necessary to ensure the Site is protective (likely a focused feasibility study, SVE or other remedy of hot spot areas causing VI, along with VI mitigation like SSDS, but the data will guide the decision).
2. We are still discussing exactly what will be done for PFAS, particularly with regards to enforcement, but sending 104(e) letters and requiring sampling are high priorities and will likely happen soon (coming months).

Three other priorities that are not as high as those above, but will be steadily pursued as time allows:

3. Getting ICs and an ICIAP in place are lower priorities given the other two issues at the Site, but should be completed in the next year or so depending on whether/how many sampling events are needed to identify areas requiring ICs.
4. The groundwater remedy may be working, but recent data shows increasing TCE concentrations in the landfill wells heading towards the river that may or may not

present an issue that will require a change to the groundwater remedy such as treating soil hot spots, adding a landfill cap, or reinstalling a groundwater extraction well at/near the landfill.

5. The Site's soil/landfill remedy may need to be updated based on what we now know about the toxicity of PAHs and pentachlorophenol, which were discovered in the original RI at high concentrations, but were not identified as a "contaminant of most concern" or "indicator chemicals". This last priority is still being discussed internally, but will likely result in sampling activities and a decision document in the next year or two.

I can provide more details regarding each of these if you'd like/have time before tomorrow's meeting.

Best,
Jeff Dewey

From: Dewey, Jeffrey
Sent: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 8:40 AM
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Subject: RE: Wausau GW SF Project Priorities

Hi Matt,

Apologies for the late reply, I just got back from a very long and refreshing vacation!

I'm free anytime today if that works on your end. I agree there are many priorities and active issues and we're still discussing internally as to how to best address them.

Best,
Jeff Dewey

From: Thompson, Matthew A - DNR <MatthewA.Thompson@wisconsin.gov>
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Hey Jeff, Just following up on this email before this week's call. Please let me know a good time for DNR and EPA to discuss priorities at the Wausau Groundwater site.

Thanks,
Matt

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Subject: Wausau GW SF Project Priorities

Jeff- I'd like to set up a meeting between DNR and EPA for the Wausau Groundwater Superfund site to talk about EPA priorities and expectations for the project. Given the range of challenges at the site we want to understand your/EPA's priorities so we can best support efforts to address each piece. Could we look for a few dates next week to get our teams together and talk about the site?

Thanks much,
Matt

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