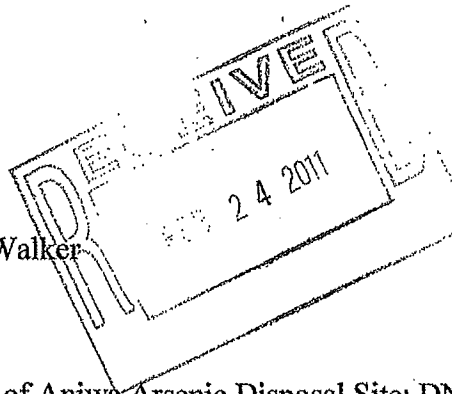


February 19, 2011

Office of Governor Scott Walker
115 East Capitol
Madison, WI. 53702



Subject: Township of Aniwa Arsenic Disposal Site; DNR Case No. 02-59-000198

Honorable Governor Walker:

I am currently the Chairman for the Township of Aniwa in rural Northwestern Shawano County. We have a former inorganic arsenic pesticide mixing and disposal site in our township. A small shed was used to store leftover liquid sodium arsenite from the grasshopper bait program of the 1930s believed to have been stored there since the 1950s. In 1975 approx. 19 steel barrels of the pesticide were buried in a shallow pit directly south of the original shed location. Remediation of site was done on 16 May 1984 under the direction of the US EPA and the Wisconsin DNR following discovery of arsenic in the groundwater and soils at the site.

Mr. Warren Hohn worked on this site as part of his Masters Thesis at UW-Green Bay and is still assisting the Township with the monitoring and report writing for the WDNR. The Township has been testing the 9 installed monitoring wells and surrounding drinking water wells for 20 years. From the monitoring well reports it appears that a hot spot of arsenic still exists on the site. (See Mr. Hohn's attached abstract and recommendations). The Township has been told by Darsi Foss at the WDNR Brownfield Grant program that the Township is not eligible because it is a municipality. The Town Board members feel that the State of Wisconsin is partially responsible because the cleanup was not successful.

In good faith we have contacted a private consulting firm to help manage the project for additional work as requested in the last WDNR letter. (NRP Environmental Consulting, Inc., Green Bay, WI.). We have received favorable news from David Hart, Wis. Geological and Natural History Survey that they will be willing to try to locate any buried pesticide with a conductivity meter RM-31, such as used at the Kewaunee Marsh arsenic site. Warren Hohn is going to be working with David Hart at the site as soon as weather permits.

The Township is requesting that your office give us any additional direction you can, especially with the grant funding. Please contact Warren Hohn by email if you can give us any assistance at whohntesting@aol.com.

Sincerely yours,

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