

Technical Memorandum

То	Mr. Tauren Beggs, WDNR Page 1 of 2	
CC	Ms. Kathleen M. McDaniel, City of Manitowoc Mr. Dan Koski, City of Manitowoc	
Subject	Former Town of Newton Gravel Pit, BRRTS No. 02-36-000268 AOC and Sampling to Determine if Soil is Clean Discussion	
From	Jeffrey Maletzke, AECOM Dave Henderson, AECOM	
Date	November 15, 2016	

AECOM, on behalf of the City of Manitowoc (City), is submitting this proposed sampling approach at the Former Newton Gravel Pit site for the Department's consideration in response to your "AOC and Sampling to Determine if Soil is Clean" e-mail received October 28, 2016. Specifically this letter acknowledges your discussion with Judy Fassbender and Gary Edelstein regarding: 1) unsaturated soil sampling for waste characterization of clean soils, and 2) TCLP testing to determine if saturated soil from the proposed treatment pond area is hazardous waste or solid waste.

Per your e-mail, it is our understanding that the Department is requiring a minimum of 12 soil samples from within the excavation footprint of the proposed treatment pond. These samples would be collected in the unsaturated zone, approximately halfway between ground surface and the water table. The Department is requiring that these samples be analyzed for VOCs, PCBs, and SVOCs (PAHs) and is also recommending analysis for RCRA metals. One sample of saturated soil for TCLP testing is also required from within the excavation footprint of the proposed treatment pond.

Based on discussion at the project team meeting on November 8, 2016, the City would like to propose a modified sampling approach. We are in agreement that characterization sampling is beneficial, however we are hopeful that the Department will recognize the need to balance a sound technical approach with the corresponding financial implications that the City is obligated to address. Therefore, we propose the following; seven unsaturated soil samples for waste characterization of clean soils (rather than 12) and one saturated soil sample for TCLP testing as described below and shown on the attached figure (see red circles labeled A through G):

- Boring A pond cut area, sample targeted at 1-2 feet bgs.
- Boring B pond cut area, sample targeted at 2-3 feet bgs (located in vicinity of temporary well locations P-8 and P-9).
- Boring C pond cut area, sample targeted at 1-2 feet bgs (located in vicinity of temporary well location P-1).
- Boring D pond cut area, sample targeted at 3-4 feet bgs; TCLP sample targeted for 12 feet bgs (sample location tied to temporary wells P-4 and P-5 coincident with groundwater hot spot).
- Boring E cut area on bluff, sample targeted at 15 feet bgs.
- Boring F cut area on bluff, sample targeted at 15 feet bgs.
- Boring G cut area on bluff, sample targeted at 15 feet bgs.

We further propose that the seven clean soil waste characterization samples only be analyzed for VOCs and the saturated sample analyzed for TCLP VOCs, which we feel represent the best

"indicator" parameters. We understand that if significant concentrations are detected, additional sampling may be needed.

We appreciate the opportunity to offer this proposed sampling plan for your consideration. It is our intent to obtain the Department's concurrence/approval before we incorporate the proposed plan into the revised Remedial Action Option Report.

If you have any questions or require additional detail, please contact Dave at 414-225-1681 or <u>dave.henderson@aecom.com</u>.

Attachment: Figure 9-DRAFT, Conceptual Site Plan



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1	10/21/2016	Cap final topography grade	
0	8/18/2016	Original	
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CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN

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FIGURE 9 - DRAFT