



September 23, 2022

MS LOIS BALDWIN
517 S 4TH ST
LUCK WI 54853

SUBJECT: Case Closure under Wis. Admin. Code ch. NR 726 Not Recommended
Laundry Basket, 300 South Main Street, Luck, Wisconsin
DNR BRRTS Activity #02-49-544893

Dear Ms. Baldwin:

On September 1, 2022, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) reviewed the closure request for the case identified above. As you might be aware, the DNR reviews environmental remediation cases for compliance with applicable laws, including Wis. Stat. ch. 292 and Wis. Admin. Code chs. NR 700-799 and whether any further threat to public health, safety or welfare or the environment exists at the site or facility, per Wis. Admin. Code § NR 726.13 (2) (b). As discussed with your consultant on September 16, 2022, case closure is not recommended because additional legal requirements must be met. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the remaining requirements for obtaining closure. We request that within 60 days of this letter, you provide us with the information requested or your written response regarding the necessary work and a schedule for completion of this work.

Additional Requirements Needed for Case Closure Under Wis. Admin. Code ch. NR 726

As noted above, additional work is necessary to meet the requirements for case closure because groundwater sampling from monitoring wells MW-13D and MW-15D shows increasing trends for chlorinated compounds.

Need to Conduct Additional Groundwater Monitoring

Additional groundwater monitoring is needed to establish compliance with the closure criteria of Wis. Admin. Code § NR 726.05 (6). In addition to sampling for chlorinated compounds, at least one sample from a monitoring well at the source of contamination shall be collected and analyzed for perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).

Need to Assess Additional Remedial Action

Additional remedial action may also be needed to comply with the closure criteria of Wis. Admin. Code ch. NR 726. Because groundwater is impacted with chlorinated compounds near the Village of Luck's Municipal Well #2, the need for additional remedial action should be assessed to ensure the protection of the Village's drinking water supply.

Schedule

Within 60 days of the date of this letter, respond in writing with a schedule of your plans to meet these requirements.

Until requirements are met, your site will remain “open”, and you are required to submit semi-annual progress reports, per Wis. Admin. Code § NR 700.11. You are also responsible for any operation and maintenance activities required under Wis. Admin. Code § NR 724.13. Once the additional work has been completed, documentation should be submitted to the DNR to demonstrate that the applicable requirements have been met, per the timelines above.

Case closure can be reconsidered by the DNR once documentation has been received.

Conclusion

If you have any questions regarding the information in this letter or would like to schedule a meeting to discuss this case, please contact the DNR project manager, Phil Richard at 715-661-0125 or by email at philip.richard@wisconsin.gov. You can also contact me at 715-208-4004 or by email at Christopher.saari@wisconsin.gov. For more information on the closure reconsideration process, please see DNR publication, RR-102, “Wis. Admin. Code ch. NR 726 Case Closure Reconsideration Process” by visiting dnr.wi.gov, search: RR-102, for more information.

The DNR appreciates your efforts to restore the environment at this site.

Sincerely,



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cc: Erica Klingfus – MSA (via email)
Phil Richard – DNR Park Falls (via email)