



May 10, 2023

--sent by email--

Mr. Andy Selle, City Engineer
City of Fort Atkinson
101 N. Main Street
Fort Atkinson, 53538

Subject: Project Status and Schedule for Next Steps
Loeb-Lorman Scrapyard, 115 Lorman Street, Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin
BRRTS #02-28-588371

Dear Mr. Selle:

The Department of Natural Resources (Department) has been working with the City of Fort Atkinson (City) on the above referenced environmental repair case. To-date, the Department understands the City has successfully demolished structures on site, completed multiple site investigation activities, conducted some remedial efforts, and begun interim actions to temporarily cap the site until future redevelopment activities take place. This letter documents previous discussions and outlines the next steps needed for the project to assist the City in their interim actions for future redevelopment while meeting applicable Wis. Adm. Code NR 700 rules.

Site Investigation Report and Site Investigation Work Plan

The Department's September 29, 2022, "Review of the Site Investigation Report..." letter (Review Letter) requested the City to provide corrections and clarifications to Terracon Consultants, Inc.'s (Terracon) Site Investigation Report and Remedial Action Options Report" (SIR), and to submit a site investigation work plan by December 1, 2022. The corrections and clarifications and the work plan have not been received to-date and should be submitted as soon as possible.

Reporting Requirements

Wis. Adm. Code s. NR 716.14 (2), states in part, "Responsible parties shall report all sampling results other than those for water supply wells, to the department... within 10 business days of receiving the sample results" and "...The report to the department shall include a preliminary analysis of the cause and significance of any contaminant concentrations observed...". The PCB soil sample results submitted on January 20, 2023, were reported by the laboratory on November 15, 2022. All future analytical results must be submitted to the department within 10 business days in accordance with Wis. Adm. Code s. NR 716.14 (2).

Wis. Adm. Code s. NR 700.11 (1), states in part, "Responsible parties shall submit site progress reports that summarize the completed work and additional work planned to adequately complete the response action at the site or facility to the department at 6 month intervals..." The January 2023 semi-annual report submitted on your behalf by Terracon did not adequately summarize the completed work and additional work planned at the Property for 7/1/2022 – 12/31/2022 reporting period. The semi-annual report states:

BRRTS No: 02-28-588371
Activity Name: **LOEB-LORMAN SCRAPYARD FORMER**
Reporting Period: 7/1/2022 - 12/31/2022
Status: Site Investigation
Activity: Report Preparation
Comments: One report was submitted during this reporting period: 1) Site Investigation and Remedial Action Options Report - Dated July 11, 2022
PECFA Eligible?: No
Submitted by: Lucas Chabela
Submitted on: 01/03/2023

The January 2023 semi-annual report does not contain the receipt of additional PCB sampling results and the planning for a PCB removal action at the site. The Department was unable to provide comments on the PCB removal action before it was implemented. Future reporting should include all actions and planned actions for that reporting period.

Next Steps

- A. An evaluation of the need for public notification of contamination, including needed signage, should be completed by as soon as possible as requested in the Departments September 2022 letter.
- B. Based on the outcome of the evaluation, all necessary public notice(s) of contamination should be made or posted by June 15, 2023.
- C. Clarifications and corrections to the Department's September 2022 Review Letter should be submitted by as soon as possible.
- D. A revised site investigation report, including all sample results and a description of the PCB removal action, should be Submitted by June 31, 2023.
- E. A site investigation workplan should be submitted by July 15, 2023.

The Department will continue to cooperate with the City to achieve the outlined next steps to help ensure the project continues to progress in compliance with Wis. Adm. Code NR 700 rules. The Department appreciates your efforts to restore the environment at this site.

If you have questions about this letter, please contact the Department Project Manager, Jeff Ackerman, at 608-219-2302 or jeff.ackerman@wisconsin.gov; or Issac Ross at 414-750-7140 or issac.ross@wisconsin.gov

Sincerely,



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