

**Technical Focus Group Meeting Minutes  
Remediation and Redevelopment Program  
August 11, 2009**

Introduction

A fourth joint meeting of the Technical Focus Group/Brownfield's Study Group was held to continue discussions on WDNR's proposed revisions to the NR 700 rule series. Below is a brief summary of the discussion that took place.

General Discussion

Several general topics were discussed prior to going over the 2 draft rules provided. The first issue dealt with clarifying the NR 700 rule revision process. The Department indicated that external feedback would be sought on all of the draft rules prior to initiating the formal rule making process, which may take until early 2010 to complete. Members were generally supportive of this approach. The second issue focused on the status of proposed revisions to NR 720. The Department stated that this rule was not as far along as the others and the current issue being evaluated is what methodology should be used for determining site specific Residual Contaminant Levels (RCL's). Members recommended that DNR consider bringing an Issue Paper to the group identifying the options and the preferred course of action.

NR 722 – Standards for Selecting Remedial Actions

The Department indicated that the proposed revisions to NR 722 include addressing sustainability during the remedy selection process. The Department also mentioned that if there was general agreement to include sustainability in the remedy selection process, then the concept would be integrated into several of the other NR 700 series rules as well. Members generally supported the approach but had several suggestions as the Department moves forward with this effort. This included: 1) creating a definition in the rule for "sustainability", 2) consider looking at sustainability once the remedy is selected, 3) evaluate the possibility of training for staff on how to implement the sustainability concept, and 4) evaluate options for rewarding Responsible Parties (RP's) for pursuing sustainability.

NR 746 – Risk Screening and Closure Criteria for Petroleum Product Contaminated Sites, and Agency Roles and Responsibilities.

The Department indicated that based on discussions and comments provided by members at the March, 2009 meeting, significant revisions to NR 746 are being proposed. In particular, since the sites DNR oversees are not eligible for closure under NR 746 most of the technical provisions in the rule have been removed. Members were supportive of the proposed revisions.

Next Meeting

It was tentatively agreed that the next meeting would be held on November 10th from 1:00 to 3:00 pm.