

Pompton Lakes Environmental Community Advisory Group

Lake Remediation Work Group Meeting Summary

March 16, 2011

The Lake Remediation Work Group met for just over an hour via teleconference. In attendance were: Steve Grayberg (chair), Art Kafka, Tim Troast, and Liz Kachur.

Among the discussion topics were the following:

1. There are areas within the Acid Brook Delta Corrective Measures Implementation Work Plan (CMI WP) submitted by DuPont that we would like enhanced or modified.
2. There is a need for substantially more public input and communication, which should be addressed in the CMI WP.
3. DuPont may productively play a role in the above recommendations. Activities do not need to be limited to the CAG and the agencies. We would prefer DuPont be a willing partner.
4. The Lake Remediation Work Group would like to get input from the entire CAG on these ideas, and create a resolution to help precipitate the desired results.

Specific discussion points around these items follow:

Regarding Number 1 above,

- The Work Plan leaves much of the operational methods decisions (Transport Preparation, Transport, Reuse, and Disposal) to the contractors, once selected. Since not all contractors are equipped to undertake all of the operational methods, the community should be able to review and comment on these methods prior to selecting contractors.
- The Work Plan refers to establishing baseline measurements, and then performing follow-up measurements to compare against the baseline to determine if objectives have been met. The Work Plan does not specify that the measurements should be performed by a third party, but rather allows the contractor performing the work to also perform those measurements. This should be specifically disallowed in the Work Plan.
- The Work Plan references the restoration plan for the disturbed public uplands and park areas. It does not specify any restoration parameters for disturbed private property. The remediation map shows at least 10 private properties that will be directly affected by, and have their lake access limited during the remediation process. Specific restoration objectives should be included

Regarding Number 2 above,

- Although a Public Involvement Plan is mentioned in the Work Plan, it is not specific enough, and needs to promote proactive communications to the community instead of simply posting information on a web site.
- An email list of interested area residents should be maintained to allow for both planned and unplanned communications as the project proceeds.
- A delineated group of residents should be identified by their proximity to the work site who would receive more definitive communications

Regarding Number 3 above,

- The Work Group welcomes DuPont's input on the above points. We recognize there may be more than one way to satisfy the community's needs.
- The Work Group would like to see DuPont aggressively involved in educating the community in matters related to the Acid Brook Delta remediation.

Regarding Number 4 above,

- The Lake Remediation Work Group would like to formulate most or all of the above recommendations into a resolution to be adopted by the full CAG
- The Work Group will try to prepare a baseline resolution for presentation at the April 6 CAG meeting, with the intent of seeking additional input from the CAG
- Additional revisions can be formulated in between monthly meetings through emails, and through polls if appropriate. Ideally, a finished version of a resolution would be introduced for a vote at the May meeting.