

Pompton Lakes Environmental CAG
Lake Remediation Work Group Meeting Summary
Wednesday, May 18, 2011

The Lake Remediation Work Group met by teleconference on Wednesday, May 18 for a little over an hour. In attendance were Steve Grayberg (chair), Liz Kachur, Abby Novak and Tim Newton.

The discussion centered around the previously distributed proposed resolution for changes to the Acid Brook Delta CMI Work Plan. It was noted that the group was given access to a revised version of the document, and that some changes in the resolution were warranted as a result of changes in this document. It was also noted that DuPont had received an invitation through the EPA to attend the CAG's June meeting to discuss the proposed resolution, and will hopefully attend.

Key decisions were:

- A resolution to request a public information session on operational options will be presented for a vote at the June meeting.
- Discussions regarding verification of Remedial Action Objectives will continue as a separate issue
- We will get clarification from the Pompton Lakes Planning Board on what their requirements might be for restoration of private property and for communications to nearby residents (200-300ft from the work zone)
- We will continue to keep the North Jersey District Water Supply Commission informed of key events related to the lake remediation even if they refuse to respond
- We will request that a new stakeholder be considered for the CAG to represent residents on or near Lakeside Avenue near the remediation site.

Discussion Summary:

- It was decided that it might be best to separate out pieces of the current resolution, and pursue them separately. This because some parts are very time sensitive, and could probably gain consensus quickly, while others may require more discussion.
- In the revised CMI Work Plan, the **operational options** are articulated to a greater extent than in the prior version. The options, and the pros and cons associated with each have apparently been well thought out. The document also makes a point that there will be an effort to educate the community.
 - The group feels we should request that DuPont make an immediate effort to educate the community in these operational options, and to have an organized means of gathering feedback from that educational meeting. We would hope that this could take place during the latter half of June.
 - The group felt that this educational meeting should take place in a neutral venue, and that it should be broadly publicized so that interested members of the community would be aware of it. Steve Grayberg will attend the next meeting of the Outreach Work Group to enlist

their advice and help. He will also prepare a resolution dealing with just this matter for the CAG's consideration at the June meeting.

- Regarding **communications** in general, the group felt that communications to the community at large is best left in the hands of the CAG, but that communications to residents within the 200 – 300 foot perimeter of the project is DuPont's responsibility. There was some question about which permitting agencies will require notifications of residents in the immediate vicinity of the work area. Abby Novak will check with the Pompton Lakes Planning Board to determine if they will require notifications.
- Regarding the **restoration of private property** disturbed by the Acid Brook remediation, it was noted that the revised CMI document agrees to 'replace in-kind', and so this is no longer an issue to be addressed in a current resolution. However, we were uncertain as to whether or not the Pompton Lakes Planning Commission would require that statement in its permit request. Abby Novak will determine if that would be a requirement for a permit issued by the local Planning Board. She will also try to determine if the CMI Work Plan would be the document presented to the Planning Board, or some other document.
- The **verification of Remedial Action Objectives** is expected to require additional discussion. There was some disagreement at the last CAG meeting as to how verification should be accomplished. It was further noted that the revised CMI Work Plan specifically mentions that post remediation sampling will not be done (Section 2.5.5). Given this, it was suggested the subject of verification needs to be taken up as a separate matter. We would like this placed on the June agenda if time permits.
- Outside of the proposed resolution, the subject of the lake's **reservoir status** was brought up. A letter was written by the EPA to the North Jersey District Water Supply Commission (NJDWSC) in early May (attached) explaining the proposed remediation project at hand, and encouraging them to contact the Lake Remediation Work Group through Steve Grayberg to become more informed. The group decided we should continue to keep the NJDWSC aware of any important events related to the lake remediation, particularly any public information sessions, even if they continue to ignore them.
- Lastly, the group discussed the importance of **CAG representation** from a Lakeside Ave. proximity resident. This because, much of the remediation activity (equipment storage, transportation, safety, possibly treatment, etc.) will take place there, and it would be valuable to have representation for the residents close to the action. Steve Grayberg will make an official request to the Administrative Committee to put that to a vote at the next meeting.