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Management Action Committee (MAC) Meeting
November 9, 2004
Centredale Manor Restoration Project
North Providence, Rhode Island

Attendees:

- Anna Krasko, USEPA
- Jim Murphy, USEPA
- Frank Bursie, Town of North Providence
- Eugenia Marks, Audubon Society of Rhode Island
- Jenny Pereira, Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council
- Bill Sweet, ATSDR
- David Scotti, LEA

Agenda

- Technical Update
- Community Outreach
- Other Items

Technical Update

Anna informed everyone that she received a draft copy of the RI/FS. EPA is in the process of reviewing this document to identify what revisions, if any, need to be made before it is released to the public. Anna noted that an addendum to the RI/FS will be prepared to document any additional data collection efforts. EPA is in the process of securing a facilitator for the discussion of remedial alternatives and a letter to that effect will be sent shortly to all parties. At this time, EPA anticipates that a review of remedial alternatives will first address Allendale Pond and Lyman Mill Pond, and any remedies needed for the Dyerville and Manton areas or further downstream will be addressed at a later time. It was noted that a site-specific cleanup level would be developed before additional downstream areas are assessed. At this time, however, additional sampling is currently planned by EPA for the Manton area, while The Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council through a EPA

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grant under the Urban River Restoration Initiative will be testing behind 3 of the four lower dams. Anna stated that EPA is looking into the signature of dioxin detected in downstream areas.

Frank Bursie reminded everyone that the Town wants a speedy and final resolution to the contamination problem.

Bill Sweet mentioned that ATSDR is still evaluating what type of health risk assessment document is to be issued by ATSDR.

David Scotti stated that the grouting activities at Allendale Dam have been completed, and that all of the "punch list" items have been addressed for the capping activities conducted at the former tail race behind Centredale Manor.

Outreach

A copy of the newsletter pertaining to the Draft Baseline Human Health Risk Assessment (BHHRA) that was mailed in October 2004 was distributed to the meeting attendees. It was noted that the Draft Baseline Ecological Risk Assessment (BERA) was issued in October 2004. EPA will assess the need to issue a press release with notice that both drafts of the BHHRA and BERA have been completed.

Other Items

The next MAC meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, December 7, 2004. It was noted that when the facilitated process to discuss remedial alternatives and more substantive issues begins, its affect on frequency of the MAC meetings will be evaluated.