

SUBGROUP: Funding Sustainability

Remediation and Redevelopment External Advisory Group



AGENDA

Remediation and Redevelopment External Advisory Group – Funding Sustainability

Tues. Dec. 5, 2023 | 10-11:30 a.m.
Milwaukee Water Commons | Adams Garden Park
1836 W. Fond Du Lac Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53205

Register to attend via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom-join?meeting=6028556977&from=addon>

In-person attendees should RSVP

to Jody.Irland@wisconsin.gov by noon on Mon., Dec. 4, 2023.

Introductions

- Agenda repair
- Meeting logistics
- Future meeting dates

Review Takeaways from Last Meeting

Overview of General State Budget Process and Timelines, DNR

Funding Gaps Prioritization Activity

Ready for Reuse (R4R) – Gena Larson, DNR

- [Program overview](#)
- Increase program interest brainstorm and discussion

Next Steps and Assignments

Next meeting date

- Remediation and Redevelopment External Advisory Group (EAG) – Jan. 25, 2024
- RR EAG Subgroup Series – Feb. 28, 2023

Adjourn

Note: the NR 700 Subgroup is developing an issue paper on DNR fees that will be discussed at the NR 700 Subgroup meeting at noon.

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Funding Gap Prioritization Activity

The gaps below were collectively identified, discussed, and defined through the last year of RR EAG Funding Sustainability subgroup meetings.

- A) Dry Cleaner Environmental Response Fund (DERF) insolvency
- B) Resources for long-term maintenance of vapor impacted properties
- C) Stalled leaking underground storage tank (LUST) sites because Petroleum Environmental Cleanup Award (PECFA) sunset
- D) Resources for emergency water for contaminated private drinking water wells
- E) Funding for innocent landowners – people who acquired property and can demonstrate through due diligence that contamination was not suspected at the time of transaction
- F) Funding for sites where a small business owner or small business whose operations caused contamination but they can't afford to pay for cleanup
- G) Sites where a local government and/or local businesses want to redevelop but there is a responsible party who is not doing the cleanup or making sufficient progress with cleanup
- H) Sites that are considered “unattractive” to the private market or developers
- I) Holistic technical assistance to community groups or local governments (e.g., from liability planning to redevelopment)
- J) Funding to support citizens or neighborhood groups that are concerned about the health and safety impacts of contaminated sites in their communities
- K) Flexible cleanup funding
- L) Sites with known or potential vapor issues and no responsible party

Potential criteria for prioritization:

- Broad public benefit
- Benefits to human health
- Equity, how much will this lead to improvements for under-resourced communities.
- Feasibility – likelihood that some action could successfully be taken to address the gap
- Program purview - Is this beyond DNR's purview but something another agency may be more efficient in addressing?
- Duplicative effort - Are others already working on this topic?

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