

Remediation & Redevelopment External Advisory Group Meeting

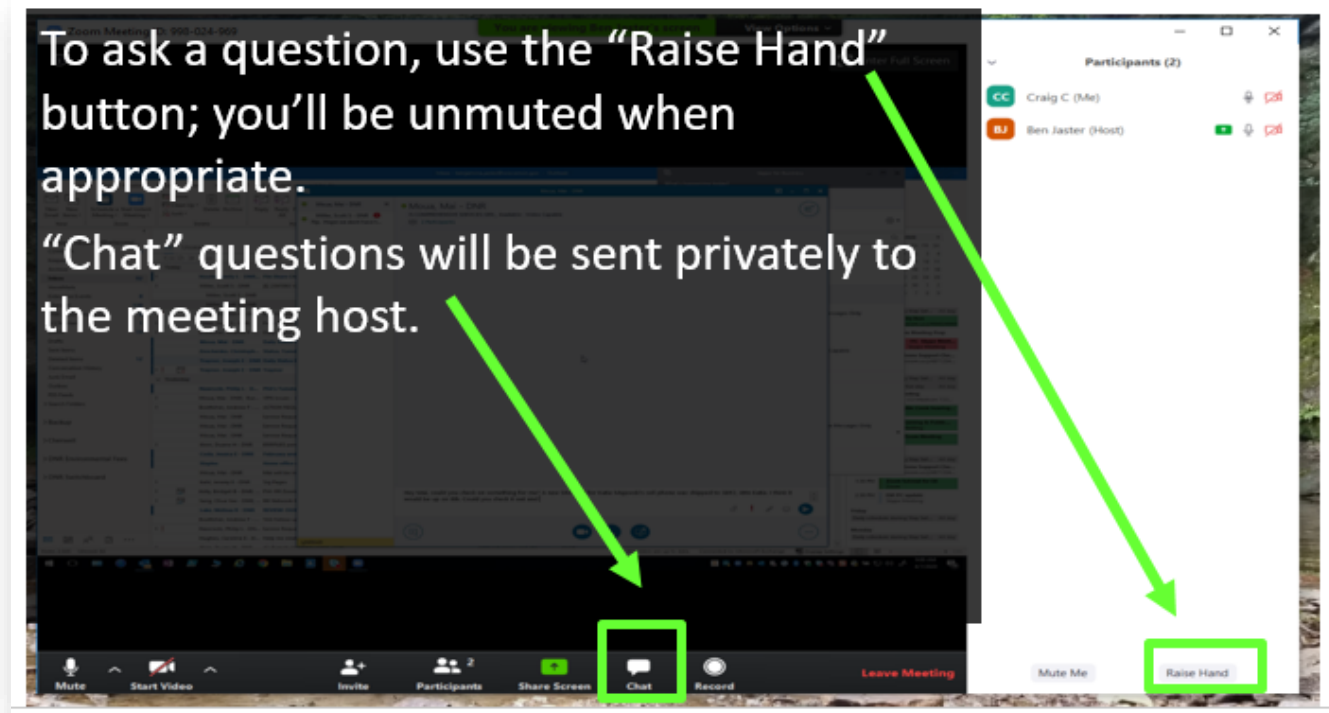
September 23, 2022

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Welcome

Zoom Meeting Logistics

- All attendees muted
- To comment/ask questions via **Zoom**
 - Use 'chat' to type questions to Jody Irland
 - Use 'raise hand' to request to be unmuted
- To comment/ask questions via **Phone**
 - *9 raise hand
 - *6 mute/unmute





Roll Call/Ice Breaker

RR EAG Members

Brian Bartoszek
WEC Energy Group –
Business Services

Judy Fassbender
DNR

Sarah Gruza
U.S. EPA

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Wisconsin Department
of Health Services

Sheldon Johnson
Northwest Regional
Planning Commission

Dave Misky
Redevelopment
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Milwaukee

Lynn Morgan
Waste Management

Jodie Peotter
DNR

Noah Saperstein
Red Cliff Band of Lake
Superior Chippewa

Jason Scott
Wisconsin Economic
Development
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Debora Sielski
Washington County
Public Agency Center -
Community
Development
Department

Sharlene TeBeest
Wisconsin Department
of Transportation

Chris Valcheff
True North Consultants

Donna Volk
Ramboll

Ned Witte
Godfrey & Kahn

Schedule

- Fri., Jan. 27, 2023
- Fri., April 14, 2023
- Thurs., July 20, 2023

September 2022				
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
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April 2023				
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July 2023				
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DNR Updates

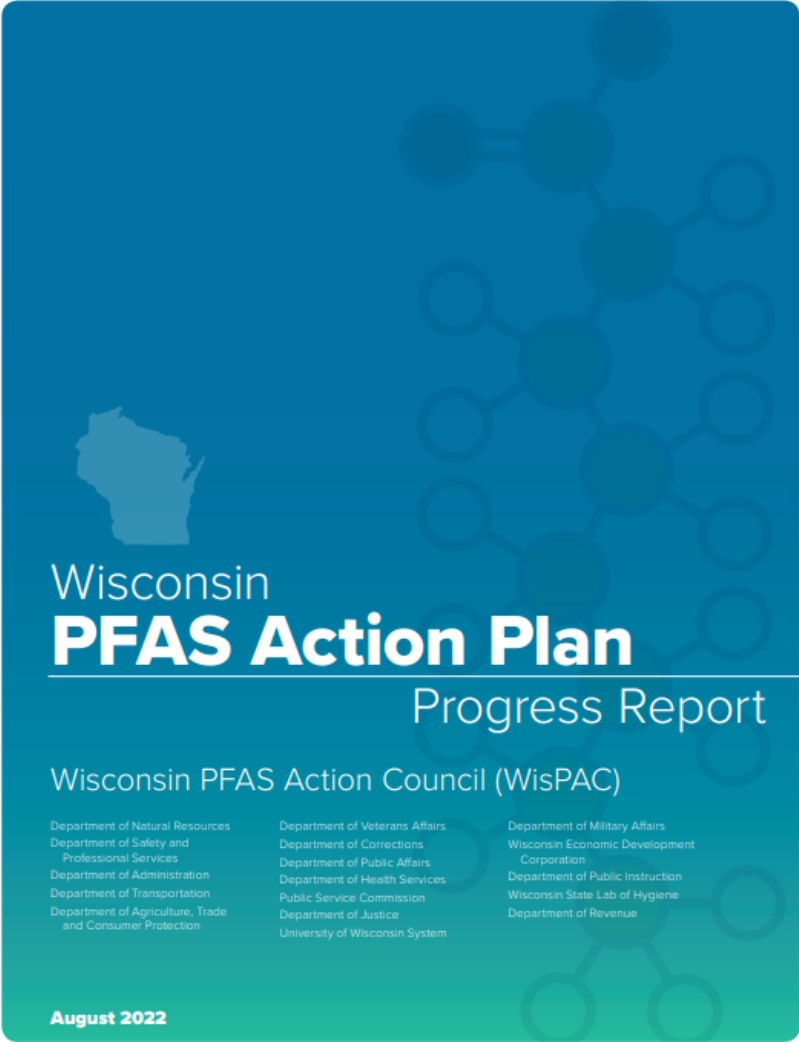
- Status of Rulemaking
- Upcoming Guidance

Rulemaking Updates

Mimi Johnson

DNR Office of Emerging Contaminants

Agency Actions



State Initiatives



Federal Initiatives



PFAS Strategic Roadmap: EPA's Commitments to Action 2021–2024



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Guidance: Coming Soon



New! RR-0124

Guidance on Addressing
Contaminated Sediment Sites



RR-800

Addressing Vapor Intrusion at
Remediation Sites

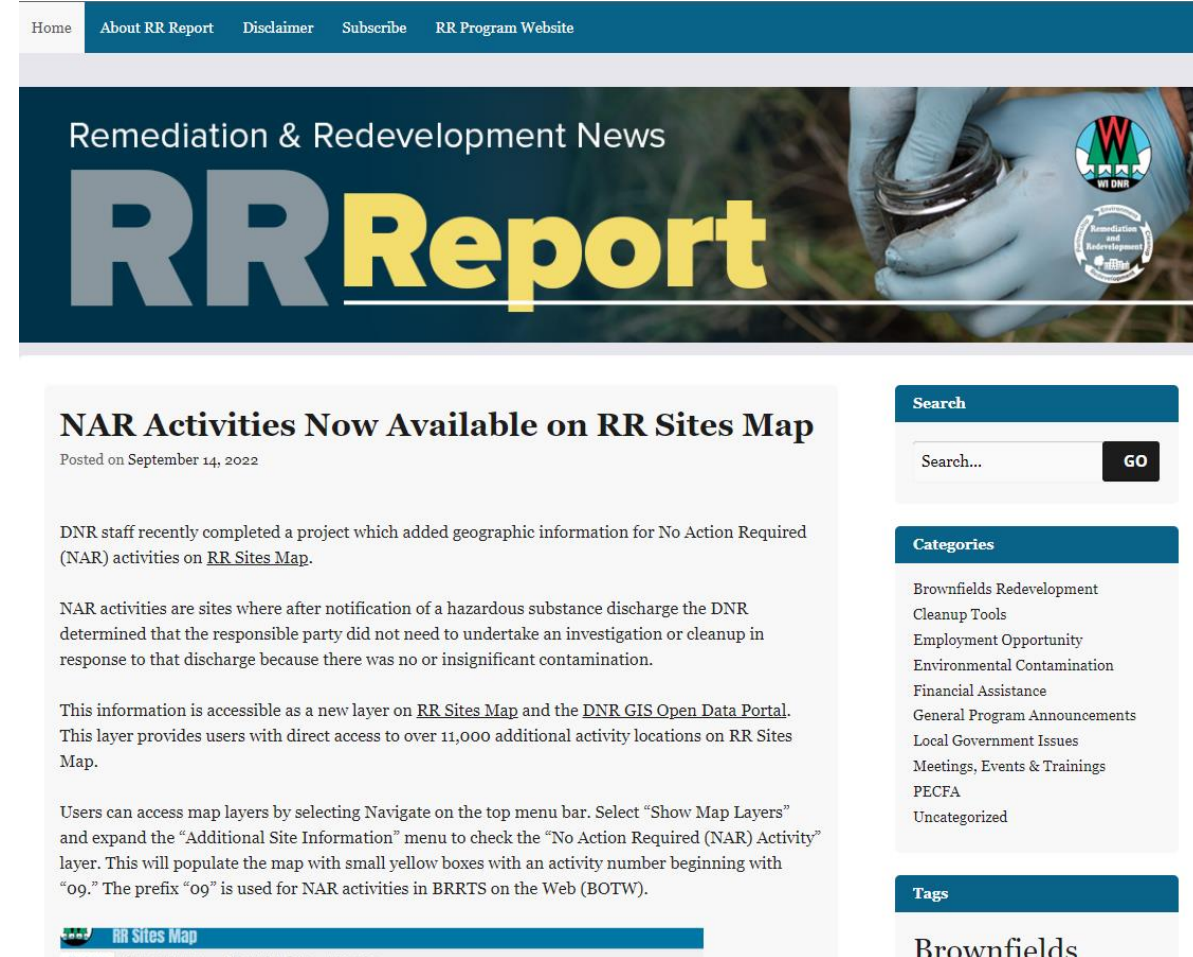


VPLE

Guidance: Voluntary Party Liability
Exemption

Opportunity for Input

- Public comment period: 21 days
- Posted at RR Program Public Notice webpage
 - <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/brownfields/publicnotices.html>
- Notification through RR Report Newsfeed
 - <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/Brownfields/News.html>



The screenshot shows the RR Report website header with navigation links: Home, About RR Report, Disclaimer, Subscribe, and RR Program Website. The main banner features the text "Remediation & Redevelopment News" and "RR Report" in large, bold letters, accompanied by an image of a person in a blue glove holding a sample jar. Below the banner, a news article titled "NAR Activities Now Available on RR Sites Map" is displayed, dated September 14, 2022. The article text states: "DNR staff recently completed a project which added geographic information for No Action Required (NAR) activities on RR Sites Map. NAR activities are sites where after notification of a hazardous substance discharge the DNR determined that the responsible party did not need to undertake an investigation or cleanup in response to that discharge because there was no or insignificant contamination. This information is accessible as a new layer on RR Sites Map and the DNR GIS Open Data Portal. This layer provides users with direct access to over 11,000 additional activity locations on RR Sites Map. Users can access map layers by selecting Navigate on the top menu bar. Select 'Show Map Layers' and expand the 'Additional Site Information' menu to check the 'No Action Required (NAR) Activity' layer. This will populate the map with small yellow boxes with an activity number beginning with '09.' The prefix '09' is used for NAR activities in BRRTS on the Web (BOTW)." A small "RR Sites Map" thumbnail is visible at the bottom of the article. On the right side of the page, there is a search bar with a "GO" button, a "Categories" list including "Brownfields Redevelopment", "Cleanup Tools", "Employment Opportunity", "Environmental Contamination", "Financial Assistance", "General Program Announcements", "Local Government Issues", "Meetings, Events & Trainings", "PECEA", and "Uncategorized", and a "Tags" section with "Brownfields".

Break

Work Planning

Recap: Function of RR EAG

- Attack issues methodically
 - Work together to identify issues
 - Make decisions on what the group would like to include in its work plan
- Subgroups
 - Work on issue papers or options for addressing issues identified by the RR EAG in its work plan
 - Membership team will evaluate and make recommendations to the program/DNR

RR Strategic Framework

July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2026

CORE MISSION

Protect human health and the environment and support the remediation and beneficial reuse of contaminated sites

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Address high risk sites (with specific focus on vapor intrusion and PFAS)
- Consider environmental justice and improve the focus on diversity in all RR programs, processes and opportunities
- Focus efforts on actions that provide the largest return on investment, specifically those that increase staff capacity and help us earn federal funding
- Communicate proactively and transparently with internal and external stakeholders
- Encourage and support brownfields assessment, cleanup and redevelopment
- Promote consistency in processes to improve communication, quality, decision making and customer service

Environmental Justice

- **Guiding principle/RR Program strategic framework:** *Consider environmental justice and improve the focus on diversity in all RR programs, processes and opportunities*
- **Expectation of Subgroups:** Meaningful consideration and incorporation of environmental justice in subgroup work

Work Plan - Remediation and Redevelopment External Advisory Group

July 2022

Objective (Strategic Goal)	Expected outcomes	Deliverables & Milestones	Assignments
Funding Sustainability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainable funding for DNR staffing (support budget initiatives) New state-funded grant programs established Enhance existing grant programs (Wisconsin Assessment Monies, Ready for Reuse RLF) including marketing grant programs/working with LGUs Funding gaps bridged (e.g., PECFA, DERF) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify additional funding sources for brownfields, innocent landowners and stalled sites Sustainable fees to support DNR staff 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish funding subgroup Support budget initiatives Review how NR 749 is being implemented/ compared to other states
Engagement with public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information accessible to diverse audience Environmental justice communities engaged Perceived and real barriers (e.g., environmental, financial) to redevelopment reduced 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify processes where DNR can improve accessibility to outreach materials and information (e.g., webpage) Increase engagement and meaningful participation with disadvantaged communities 	Establish engagement subgroup
Technical outreach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guidance development supported Technical training for environmental professionals Education supported on NR700 submittal requirements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expand Issues and Trends, webinars, and other training for environmental professionals Identify training gaps for environmental professionals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish technical outreach subgroup Review new and revised guidance (e.g., revised RR-800)
Programmatic Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved consistency and process areas of improvement EJ issues considered in programmatic implementation Improved customer service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluate efficiencies through interagency cooperation Identify process inconsistencies and recommend course corrections 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide feedback and testing of customer service enhancement (e.g., new e-forms)
NR 700	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advise on legislative actions affecting the program Provide feedback on needed and proposed policy revisions EJ incorporated into policy revisions and implementation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revisions to NR 700 to reduce regulatory uncertainty Identify issues and opportunities to develop a consistent approach to sediment cleanup Input on issues related to the assessment and cleanup of PAHs Site assessment and cleanup based on complexity Address long-term stewardship Multi-generational stewardship and pollution prevention during evaluation and selection of cleanup remedy. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reestablish NR 700 subgroup Reestablish contaminated sediment subgroup

Proposed Subgroups

Funding

Public
Engagement

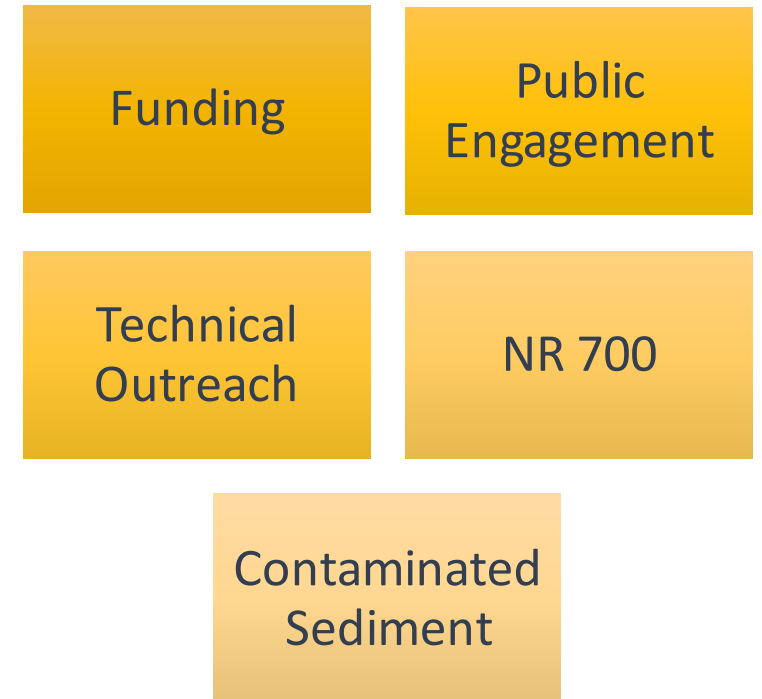
Technical
Outreach

NR 700

Contaminated
Sediment

Sideboards

- Within scope of the Remediation & Redevelopment Program
- Subgroups work on **issue papers or options** for addressing issues identified by the RR EAG in its work plan
- RR EAG Membership team will evaluate and make recommendations to the program/DNR
- Subgroup objectives will include providing recommendations for implementation that consider and incorporate environmental justice











Today's Objectives

- Option to stagger subgroup kickoffs
- Identify Subgroup Membership
- Identify Subgroup Objectives/Strategic Goals

SUBGROUP:

Remediation and Redevelopment External Advisory Group




Chairperson	DNR Representative	Members
	 	    

OBJECTIVE/STRATEGIC GOAL



DELIVERABLES AND MILESTONES

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Chairperson	DNR Representative	Members
	Gena Larson Michael Prager Jenna Soyer	

PURPOSE/OBJECTIVE



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DELIVERABLES AND MILESTONES

- List of funding gaps
- List of additional funding sources for brownfields, innocent landowners and stalled sites
- New state-funded grant program(s)
- Evaluation of NR 749 fees and implementation, with recommendations for revisions, if any

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Gaps in funding bridged (e.g., PECFA, DERF)
- Existing grant programs enhanced (Wisconsin Assessment Monies and Ready for Reuse RLF)
- Marketing of grant programs improved
- Funding to staff DNR RR Program is sufficient and sustainable

Chairperson	DNR Representative	Members
	<p>Jody Irland</p>	

PURPOSE/OBJECTIVE

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DELIVERABLES AND MILESTONES

- Suggestions for new or improved outreach materials and approaches to reach diverse audience
- Meetings/discussion with disadvantaged communities to learn how DNR can improve outreach
- New or revised DNR outreach publications
- New or revised RR Program webpage(s)

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Environmental justice policies initiated and grown
- Barriers (perceived and real) to redevelopment of contaminated properties reduced
- Participation of disadvantaged communities increased
- Diverse audience informed

Technical Outreach

Chairperson	DNR Representative	Members
	Alyssa Sellwood	

PURPOSE/OBJECTIVE



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DELIVERABLES AND MILESTONES

- List of training topics
- Evaluation of current training options (e.g., Issues and Trends and Consultant’s Day), with recommendations for change or improvement
- New training option(s), if needed
- Recommendations for development or revision to RR Program guidance

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Issues and Trends training series enhanced
- Environmental professionals educated on current and emerging issues
- NR 700 process and submittal requirements followed
- Frustrations of DNR Staff and consultants reduced

Chairperson	DNR Representative	Members
	Judy Fassbender Molly Schmidt	

PURPOSE/OBJECTIVE

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DELIVERABLES AND MILESTONES

- List of items in NR 700 rules that are outdated, unclear or inconsistent
- Outline of a framework for regulatory decision making based on site complexity
- Summary of issues and recommendations for consistent assessment and cleanup of PAHs
- Summary of issues and recommendations to ensure long-term stewardship of remedial actions

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Regulatory uncertainties reduced
- Consistency in NR 700 rule implementation improved
- Efficiency in NR 700 rule implementation improved
- Long-term stewardship addressed
- Frustrations of DNR Staff, consultants and responsible parties reduced

Contaminated Sediment

Chairperson	DNR Representative	Members
	Carrie Webb	

PURPOSE/OBJECTIVE

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DELIVERABLES AND MILESTONES

- List of items in NR 700 rules for sediment that are unclear or inconsistent
- Summary of issues and recommendations for consistent approach to sediment remediation
- Summary of issues and recommendations to ensure long-term stewardship of sediment remedial actions

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Regulatory uncertainties for the management of contaminated sediment reduced
- Consistency in NR 700 rule implementation for sediment cleanup improved
- Long-term stewardship of sediment remedies addressed
- Frustrations of DNR Staff, consultants and responsible parties reduced

Assignments



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Thank You!

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