

# WASTE & MATERIALS MANAGEMENT STUDY GROUP – Notes: November 7, 2024

Location: Virtual - Teams

Member Attendance:  Curry,  Doverspike,  Kalvelage,  Karwoski,  Ketchum,  Knudtson,  Mathewson,  Michitsch,  Pellitteri,  Sexton,  
 Welch

DNR WA Attendance:  Murray,  Krausensky,  Semrau,  Strom Hiorns

Time/ Presenter	Topic	
9:00 Ketchum	<b>Welcome/Agenda Review/Minutes/Charter Review</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8/1/24 minutes approved.</li> <li>• Changes to the charter requested (see attached charter with proposed track changes to vote on next meeting).</li> <li>• Chad - request to go over the policy bank and decision items at next meeting.</li> </ul>
9:15 Semrau	<b>DNR Updates</b>	<p>Staffing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sarah Murray new Rcy&amp;SW section manager</li> <li>• Supervisor vacancy in SER</li> </ul> <p>SWIFR grant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contracted with HDR to conduct statewide food waste study.</li> <li>• Surveys currently out to gain insight on barriers.</li> <li>• New round of community SWIFR and REO open for application.</li> </ul> <p>General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council on recycling meeting 12/3.</li> <li>• Recycling excellence awards announced 11/15.</li> </ul>
9:30 Ketchum, Murray	<b>Battery Updates</b>	<p>Battery subgroup (Ketchum)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Met about 1 year ago and put together a position paper.</li> </ul> <p>DNR (Murray)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanded <a href="#">E-cycle WI collection map</a> list of acceptable materials to include rechargeable batteries.</li> <li>• Conducting messaging that focuses on not putting batteries in carts.</li> <li>• Conducting follow up focus group research to household survey which included a question asking if people know where to recycle rechargeable batteries and what they did with previous batteries.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applied for DOE grant on improving battery collection infrastructure and education. Expect to hear if selected this month but then there would be a negotiation process.</li> </ul> <p>Industry updates (Ketchum)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WM seeing about 1 fire/month plus truck fires.</li> <li>High priority for NWRA who recently worked with Illinois to pass legislation.</li> </ul> <p>Legislative updates (Semrau)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NWRA has taken Illinois legislative language and streamlined it and plans to work on getting it passed in WI. Concept is a creation of a manufacturers org that will take on financial responsibility for proper disposal of loose batteries.</li> </ul>
<p>10:00 Lourigan, Schmit, Krausensky</p>	<p><b>Rulemaking Updates</b></p>	<p>Landfill Rule (Lourigan)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9/30 public hearing</li> <li>Addition TAC meeting on 10/30 to address changes from hearing comments</li> <li>Changes include removal of proposed baseline sampling requirements, expedited plan mods for closure plans, potential proposal for 16oz/yd<sup>2</sup> geotextile above geomembrane, possible others based on TAC meeting.</li> <li>Anticipated rule effective date Fall 2025</li> <li>Bryan asked if the accelerated review was still in place and Joe explained it was removed since DNR has not had staff resources to offer it.</li> </ul> <p>Municipal Landfill OFR Emergency and Permanent Rule (Schmit)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Natural Resources Board approved emergency rule on 10/23/24.</li> <li>Governor's office approval needed before publishing.</li> <li>Working on notifications once emergency rule is approved.</li> <li>Natural Resources Board approved scope for permanent rule on 8/14/24.</li> <li>Julie – WM legal reviewed the rule and found no issues with language and that it matched federal standards very closely.</li> </ul> <p>Current Non-landfill Rules (Krausensky)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have been conducting a series of feedback sessions on how current non-landfill rules are working to assess the need for a rule update.</li> <li>In addition to survey sessions feedback was collected at the WI Towns Association Conference and a presentation was selected for presentation at WIRMC.</li> <li>Moving forward with the steps to get a scope statement approved at this time.</li> <li>Julie requested an overview of survey response at next meeting.</li> </ul>
<p>10:45 Kalvelage</p>	<p><b>Leachate Line Checks</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dairyland Power (own 6 closed and 1 open landfill) recently purchased a camera that can be used for leachate line checks.</li> <li>Seeing some flaking in the lines.</li> <li>Flakes generated from jetting were calcium sulfite and calcium carbonate.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The landfill chemistry is changing because both the bottom ash and fly ash are going for BU so on dry scrubber ash is going into the landfill.</li></ul>
11:00 All	<b>Future Meeting Planning</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Melissa Tashjian requested that the charter be changed to include a compost industry seat which was then recommended by Rob and Chad.</li><li>• Chad suggested focus topics of organics, batteries, PFAS including a summary of the other DNR groups working on PFAS issues at the next meeting. It was noted that landfill, wastewater treatment plants and compost facilities are all passive receivers of PFAS.</li></ul>