

# TOWN OF FAIRFIELD – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS RECLAMATION YARD

August 11, 2017

Update No. 12

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The following is the bi-weekly status update for the Public Works Yard remediation and reduction of the existing material pile. The Town will be providing bi-weekly updates of the status and progress to remediate the isolated area of contaminated fill materials at the site while also working on the long term goal of reducing the size of the existing pile. All status updates and related information will be posted to the Town website located at: <http://www.fairfieldct.org/pwyard>

A Public Meeting was held earlier this week on 8/8/17 at the Fire Training Grounds.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL**

- The remediation contractor, Connecticut Tank Removal (CTR), removed 2,214 tons of contaminated material between Jun 20<sup>th</sup> and June 26<sup>th</sup>. The contractor placed the impacted soils into covered tri-axle dump trucks and transported the regulated material to Hazelton Creek Properties, LLC in Hazelton, PA which is a certified disposal facility.
- More contaminated material was found than originally planned based on the Town's initial remedial investigation conducted in February 2017. Under the direction of the Town's LEP from Logical Environmental, another 935 tons of contaminated material were transported to the Hazelton, PA facility the first week of August.
- Approximately 300 tons of contaminated material remains on site. This material, approximately 10 triaxle truck loads, is scheduled to be truck to the Hazelton, PA facility on August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Confirmatory soil samples will be taken after this removal to determine consistency with the CT DEEP RSR levels. If samples are clean, the remedial work will be completed by Labor Day. The Remediation Project is expected to be completed within the budget amount approve by the Board of Finance in June 2017.
- A final Remedial Action Report (RAR) of the project will be prepared and provided to the Town ensuring compliance with the CT DEEP PCB Division requests. The Remedial Action Report will be submitted to the CT DEEP PCB Division and will be posted on the Town's website after the completion of the work. It will take approximately 3 weeks to generate the report after the completion of the remediation at the site.
- Design of capping, proposed groundwater monitoring wells, and grading plan for this area was submitted to Fairfield TPZ and Conservation Dept. on 6/21/17. It has also been submitted to CT DEEP. The plan set is on the PW Yard website. Fairfield TPZ is awaiting DEEP comments, but has earmarked this item for the 8/22/17 agenda. A Certificate of

Wetland Compliance Permit # 2016-17-119 has been issued for this project.

- The capping of this area and construction of the landscape berm in this location will proceed after all approvals are received.
- There were several questions regarding the design of the landscape berm at the 6/13/17 public meeting. A special meeting will be held with Professor Peter Miniutti, LA of UConn on 9/12/17 to review the design and clarify any questions.

### **LEGAL**

- The Town has engaged a law firm for legal action. All public information on this matter is available and on the website of the State of Connecticut Judicial Branch. This is frequently updated with any new information.

<http://civilinquiry.jud.ct.gov/CaseDetail/PublicCaseDetail.aspx?DocketNo=FBTCV175032827S>

### **OTHER**

- The Yard Waste site continues to be monitored to eliminate potential fire risks. Responses to RFP #2017-78 for a successor to the current Harvest New England operations were received on June 7, 2017. A proposed new contract is currently in the final review stage.
- The design and permitting application of the Town's Flood Control Barrier around the WPCF / Fire Training Grounds / Conservation Garage / Animal Control Facility was submitted to CT DEEP on April 7, 2017 and is currently being reviewed by that agency. The Town's Conservation Commission has reviewed the plans, and expects to issue a Certificate of Permission. This project will be scheduled for a Town Planning & Zoning Public Hearing.
- A landscaping plan for screening trees consisting of 40 14' tall white pines (*Pinus Strobus Fastigiata*) located at the rear property line of the training grounds has been developed. Bid prices will be received this summer. This will be funded by the State of Connecticut Department of Administrative Services. The installation of the landscape/ screening will be coordinated with the construction of the above referenced Flood Control Barrier. If CT DEEP approvals for the Flood Barrier are received shortly, the construction can begin and screenings will be installed this calendar year.
- The Town will begin the development of a five year plan for the Fire Training Grounds, Mulch Operations, and the PW Yard.

If you have any questions or comments, or would like to be added to the distribution list for future project updates, please send an email to [kfournier@fairfieldct.org](mailto:kfournier@fairfieldct.org)

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Status Update No. 13 will be issued on August 25, 2017.

Special Public Meeting regarding the Landscape Berm Design with Professor Peter Miniutti, LA will be held Tuesday September 12, 2017 at 7:00 PM.

Next regular scheduled Public Meeting will be held Tuesday October 10, 2017 at 7:00 PM.