

# TOWN OF FAIRFIELD – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS RECLAMATION YARD

July 14, 2017

Update No. 10

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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>

## **ENVIRONMENTAL**

- The remediation contractor, Connecticut Tank Removal (CTR), removed approximately 2,100 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.
  - The test results from the confirmatory soil samples collected on June 26<sup>th</sup> and June 27<sup>th</sup> by Logical Environmental Solutions determined that not all of the PCB contaminated material has been removed to levels that are consistent with the CTDEEP Remediation Standard Regulations (RSRs). Therefore, CTR is continuing to excavate and stockpile material onsite under the direction of Logical Environmental. The goal is to continue to excavate contaminated materials and then collect confirmatory soil samples to determine when all of the PCB material has been adequately stockpiled and can be removed for offsite disposal. The exact timeframe for the completion of this activity is not known but the Town is working quickly to resolve the issue and define the final remediation cost. The excavation and sampling regime will continue until levels are determined to be consistent with the CTDEEP RSRs.
  - A final Remedial Action Report (RAR) of the project will be prepared and provided to the Town ensuring compliance with the CT DEEP PCBs Division requests. The Remedial Action Report will be submitted to the CTDEEP 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 will also be submitted to CT DEEP. The plan set is on the PW Yard website. The capping of this area and construction of the landscape berm in this location is to follow.
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- There were several questions regarding the design of the landscape berm at the 6/13/17 public meeting. We will schedule Professor Peter Minutti, LA to attend a public meeting to review the design and clarify any questions.
- Julian personnel were on site demobilizing items associated with their field trailer and scale as agreed upon by both of our legal counsel. This occurred from 7/6/17 to 7/13/17. This activity was overseen by Town Conservation Dept. personnel.

### **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**

- Harvest New England site continues to be monitored to eliminate potential fire risks. Responses to RFP 2017-78 for a successor to the current Harvest New England contract were received on June 7, 2017. This currently being evaluated, with a new contract scheduled to begin 8/1/17.
- The new Pine Creek Culverts and Tide Gates are functioning and the project is complete.
- 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 month. This project will be scheduled for a Town Planning & Zoning Public Hearing.
- The Fire Training Grounds Building is now occupied and the facility has resumed training operations.

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 by mid-summer 2017, 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. 11 will be issued on July 28, 2017.

Next public meeting will be held: Tuesday August 8, 2017 at 7:00 PM