

# TOWN OF FAIRFIELD – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS RECLAMATION YARD

July 28, 2017

Update No. 11

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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.
- There has been more contaminated material found than originally planned based on the Town's initial remedial investigation conducted in February 2017. CTR is continuing to excavate and stockpile material onsite under the direction of the Town's LEP from Logical Environmental. The excavation and sampling regimen will continue until confirmatory soil samples are determined to be consistent with the CT DEEP RSR levels. An additional 50 covered tri-axle dump trucks are scheduled to be transported to the Hazelton, PA certified disposal facility next week. The exact timeframe for the completion of the remediation is not known, but the Town is working quickly to resolve the issue and define the final remediation cost. There are funds remaining in the original budget, but the costs may exceed this amount based on the amount of material that has been confirmed to be impacted by PCBs and that has been stockpiled at the site. There may be a need to request additional authorization of funds to complete the final removal of the PCBs impacted materials from the site.
- 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 for. The approval for a Certificate of Wetland Compliance has been publically noticed. 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. Professor Peter Minutti, LA will not be able to attend the 8/8/17 public meeting. He is available later in August and early September 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 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 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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Next public meeting will be held:      Tuesday August 8, 2017 at 7:00 PM  
Fire Training Center  
Classroom C (112)  
205 Richard White Way

Status Update No. 12 will be issued on August 11, 2017.