

EAC Meeting November 4, 2010

Attached is the attendance list from our meeting last night. Thanks again to all who attended on a dark, rainy night. As Jon Buzan expressed, we are pleased that much hard work has been done and progress has been achieved on offsite characterization related to this site. We very sincerely appreciate the significant efforts that each of you, including DEP representatives and the responsible parties, continue to make to keep East Whiteland informed.

As we discussed last night, some of the EAC's concerns at this point are:

1. Whether aerial and vertical extent of the contaminant plume has been and will be adequately characterized. We note that the non-detect limits of the plume or plumes have not been drawn, and the contaminant seems to "surface," for example in the creek, at significant distances beyond wells that have been installed to date.
2. That contaminant transport from the site be adequately understood. It is confusing at this point.
3. That repeated, seasonal rounds of sampling from real monitoring wells (as opposed to the home wells) are likely required to make judgments about offsite conditions, trends, etc.
4. That further IAQ sampling may be needed for properties over the plume. We do not view Taylor Rental as representative, for example.
5. That DEP and the responsible parties consider developing a site specific protocol and criteria for evaluating the vapor intrusion to indoor air risk pathway. We do not accept that DEP's existing guidance, which includes PA Default Residential Volatilization to Indoor Air Screen Groundwater Screening Values of 14,000 for TCE, 42,000 for PCE, and 1800 for vinyl chloride for groundwater to indoor air as meaningful for this investigation. We sense that there may be some agreement on this point.
6. And, of course, that clean-up resume as soon as possible, as to the existing onsite system, and be evaluated and begin as to the on-site ground water. Our hope is that the bulk of the investigative work needed to identify and evaluate potential onsite groundwater remedies would occur in the coming months.

We sincerely appreciate your efforts.

Best regards, Chris
for the East Whiteland Environmental Advisory Council

Attendees:

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