

Remediation Roundtable Agenda

Announcements- 2023 Dates

Updates:

Release-Based Clean Up Program Regulation Development Updates

Roundtable Tips

- Remediation Forms and Document Submittals
- Financial Assurance
- Finding Documents on the DEEP Public Portal

Updates:

PFAS Action Plan



Announcements

Dates for 2023

- March 21st
- June 20th
- October 24th





LEP Board Member Recruitment

The State of Connecticut is seeking to recruit diverse qualified candidates for the vacant State Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals (aka the LEP board) positions.

We have three available volunteer board positions currently, as per Sec. 22a-133v(b) of the Conn. Gen. Stat. and your help in finding candidates is appreciated:

- 1. A licensed environmental professional who is also a professional engineer;
- 2. an active member of an organization that promotes protection of the environment; and
- 3. an active member of an organization that promotes business.

Please reach out to those who may be interested in serving on this board and let them know about this opportunity. The application is on the DAS Jobs site under boards, councils and commissions. <u>Job Opening: State of Connecticut Boards, Councils and Commissions Members - Department of Administrative Services (jobapscloud.com)</u>

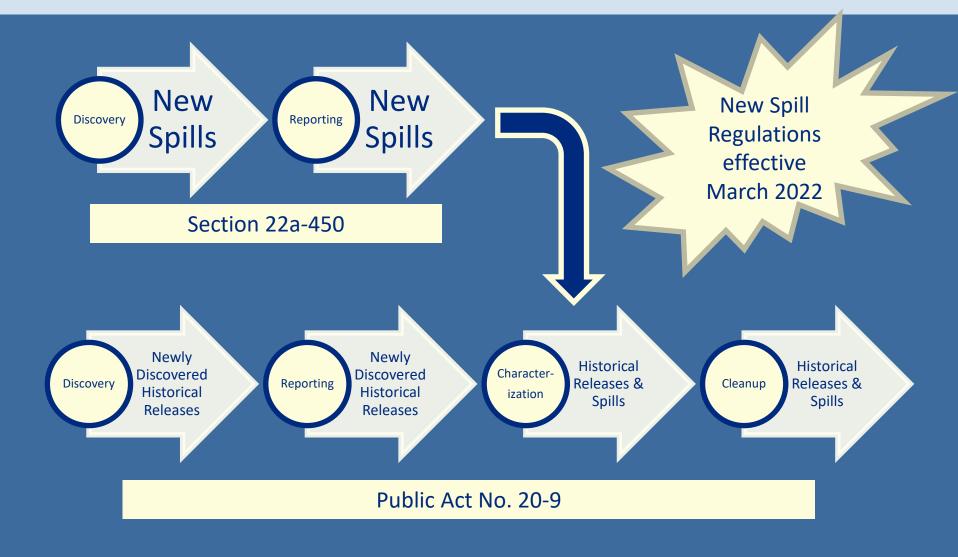
If anyone does apply please contact Liz McAuliffe <u>Elizabeth.mcauliffe@ct.gov</u> to answer any questions they may have and so she can track their application as it come in through DAS. Please let Liz know if you need any additional information.

Update: Working Group on Release-Based Cleanup Regulations

October 25, 2022 Graham Stevens Bureau Chief Water Protection and Land Reuse

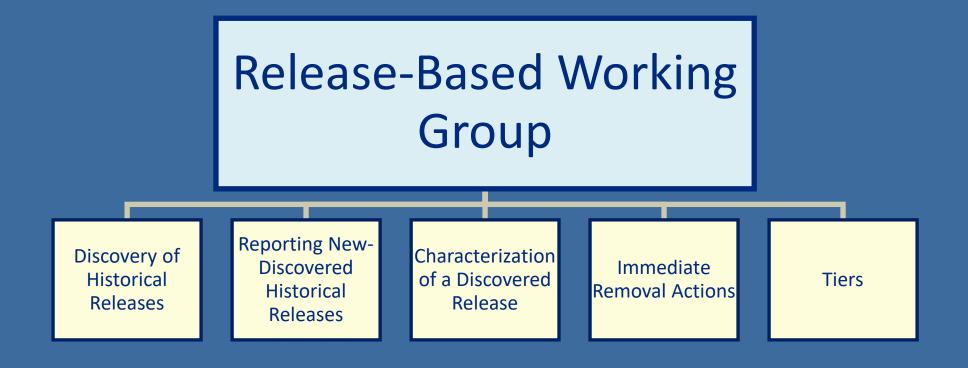


Section 22a-450 vs Public Act 20-9





First Phase Subcommittees





Second Phase Subcommittees

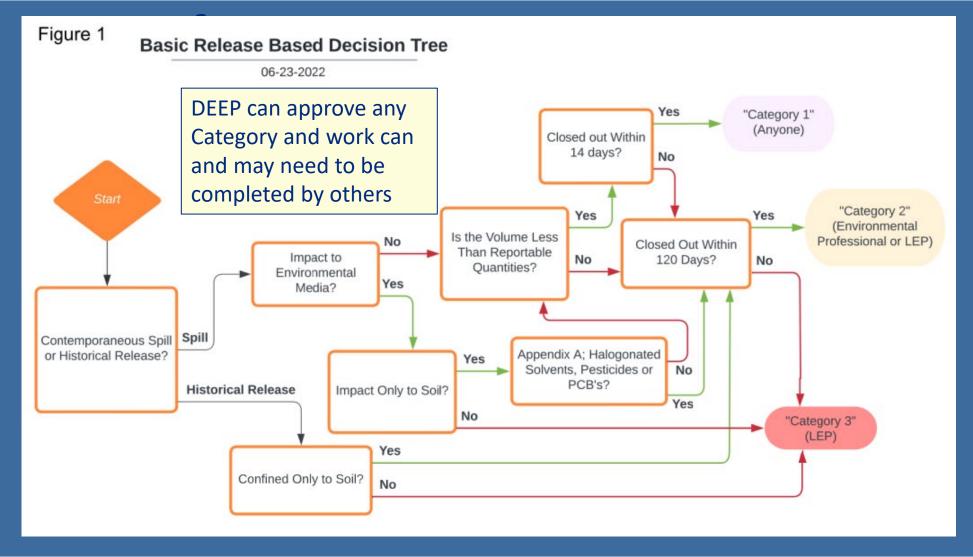


Modification of Clean-up Standards for Lower-Risk Releases

LEP-implemented, Risk-Based Alternate Cleanup Standards Clean-up
Completion
Documentation,
Verifications, and
Audit Frequency and
Timeframes

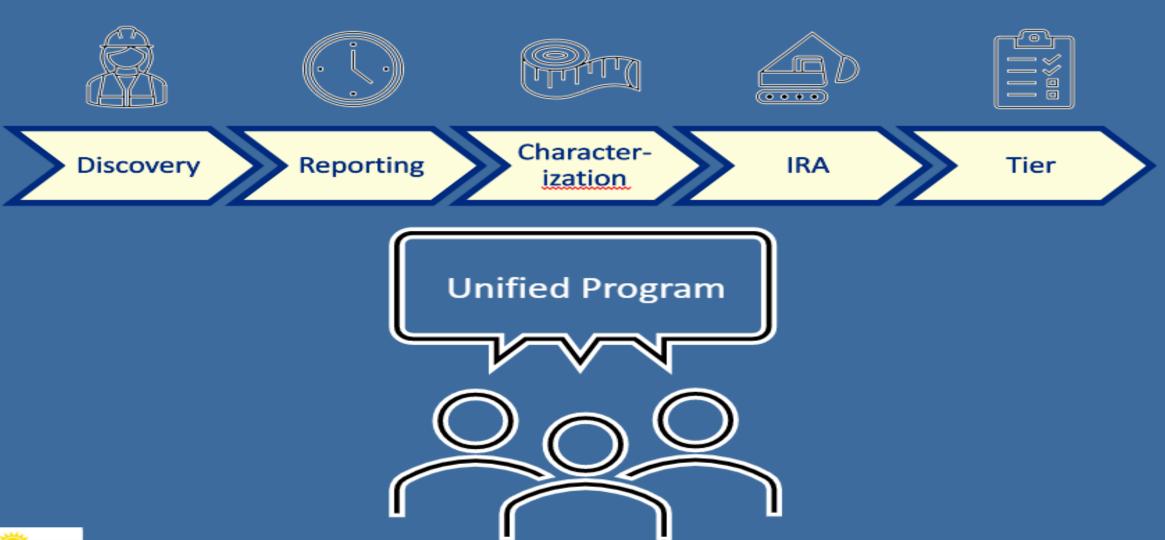


Basic Verification Process from WG Basic





Release Based Program (RBP) Concepts





Third Phase Subcommittees

Release-Based Working Group

Role and
Qualifications of
Non-LEP
Environmental
Professionals

Cumulative Risk and Risk-Based Alternative Approaches



Subcommittee Charges

- Cumulative Risk and Risk-Based Alternative Approaches
 - Determine which components of cumulative risk assessment can be implemented without increasing the human health risk on sites that have been remediated
- Role and Qualifications of Non-LEP Environmental Professionals
 - Identify qualifications, qualification process, and scope of authority for such professionals



Subcommittee Volunteers Needed!

- See your email for details eAlert from webpage update and Remediation Roundtable Listserv
- Otherwise check out our webpage at:

https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Remediation--Site-Clean-Up/Comprehensive-Evaluation-and-Transformation/Release-Based-Clean-Up-Program-Regulation-Development



Working Group Process

- Last two subcommittees of 10 getting underway soon
- Meeting moving to Substantive Conversations
 - DEEP presenting on various topics, issues, regulatory challenges, or new approaches or discussing preliminary regulatory language
 - Time for discussion and Working Group member can provide written comments
 - Presentations, emails to Working Group and responses always posted!



First Substantive Conversation: SEH

Releases reported by someone other than creator/maintainer [SC 1,2]

Reporting timeframe based on level of risk (e.g., 2 hr., 72 hr.)

[SC 2]

Reporting criteria based on qualitative and quantitative standards

[SC 2]

Higher risk releases require more characterization in a shorter timeframe [SC 3]

Mandated IRA for higher risk releases

Mandated
IRA complete but
release not closed
->Tier classification

Tier classification

- based on level of risk

- for releases not closed within 1 year of discovery [SC 5]



[SC 4]

Highest risk releases - DEEP oversight

[SC 5]

[SC 4]



Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Framework for Historical Releases

	SEH*	RBP
Notifier	Property owner notifies DEEP TEP required to notify owner	Property owner notifies DEEP Person who discovers required to notify owner**
Program requirements	Break exposure pathway (mitigate)	Clean up completed
Reporting times	Generally, 30 days in writing	2 hours, verbal, for Imminent Hazards
	Some specific cases: verbal (immediately; 1 day) followed by written notification within 5 days; 90 days;	72 hours, verbal, for Acute Hazards
	*high-level summary – for more details visit https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/	**future regs will specify a process for ensuring notifications

Cleanup Regulations – Start with RSRs

 $\overline{}$ Self-implementation using Default 8 Assumptions / Criteria 9 Modification of Clean-up S O ubcommitte Standards for Lower-Risk Releases LEP-implemented, **Risk-Based Alternate Cleanup Standards** 4 Site-specific O Charge with Review





I'm happy to take your questions



Webpage Updates and Remediation Roundtable Tip: Forms and Document Submittals

Lynn Olson-Teodoro: Environmental Analyst

Remediation Division

Engineered Control Variances

- Part 1 Engineered Control Variance Application Form
- Part 2 Engineered Control Variance Application Form
- Public Notice Confirmation Form
- NEW! Final Engineered Control Completion Statement Form
- Revised <u>Letter of Credit Template</u> and <u>Receipt of Check for Financial</u>
 <u>Assurance Template</u>. Trust Agreement or Trust Fund Template and
 Certificate of Insurance Templates are being developed.

NEW! Scanning Project Progress



LEP Verification Forms

NEW! Form III Interim Verification for Business Only

NEW! Form III Interim Verification for Property

NEW! Voluntary Remediation (22a-133x) Verification - Interim

Deadline to use the old interim forms is today.

Verification Form Instructions

NEW! Choosing an Environmental Consultant

RCRA Corrective Action, Closure, and Stewardship

NEW! Examples of Stewardship Permits Issued



Brownfields in Connecticut

<u>Connecticut Brownfields Inventory</u> – Updated list

Municipal Brownfield Liability Relief Program Fact Sheet

BRRP Fee Payment Form

<u>List of Contaminated or Potentially Contaminated Sites</u>

Voluntary Remediation Program (clarifications on submittals)

Voluntary Remediation Program 133x Fact Sheet

Voluntary Remediation Program 133y Fact Sheet



Forms (submittal instructions & usability):

- Completion of Investigation Transmittal Form
- Remedial Action Plan Transmittal Form
- COI and RAP Transmittal Instructions
- Property Transfer Fee Payment Form
- LEP Verification Forms



Roundtable Tip: Remediation Forms

Old way – collected list of needed changes and eventually made many updates

New way - make changes as needed

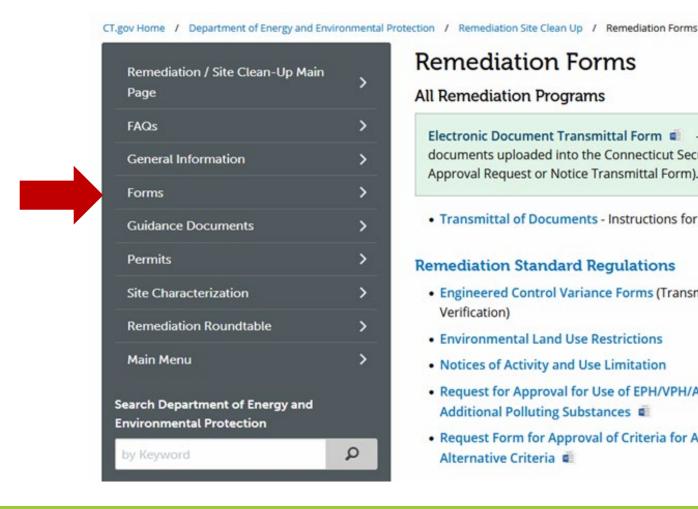
Deadlines for using old forms apply only to forms updated to the 2021 RSR/EUR regulations

Most subsequent changes are to make forms easier to use



Always download a new form

https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Remediation--Site-Clean-Up/Remediation-Forms



Remediation Forms

All Remediation Programs

Electronic Document Transmittal Form - must be the cover page for all Remediation documents uploaded into the Connecticut Secure File Transfer (SFT) website (replaces the RSR Approval Request or Notice Transmittal Form).

. Transmittal of Documents - Instructions for submitting documents electronically.

Remediation Standard Regulations

- Engineered Control Variance Forms (Transmittal, Application Parts 1 and 2, and Public Notice Verification)
- Environmental Land Use Restrictions
- · Notices of Activity and Use Limitation
- Request for Approval for Use of EPH/VPH/APH Analytical Methods and Associated Criteria as Additional Polluting Substances
- · Request Form for Approval of Criteria for Additional Polluting Substances and Certain Alternative Criteria



Electronic Transmittal Form (ETF)

- The newer ETFs are machine read, allowing faster availability of documents in the portal.
- Forms dated before 9/20 cannot be machineread, so will be delayed (date at bottom right).
- Latest update PCB documents can now be submitted electronically.

Please delete old ETF forms from your computer!



Arrange submittals as follows:

- 1. ETF (for computer filing)
- 2. Form, if applicable (for staff to log into the database)
- 3. Document, if applicable

Save as a <u>PDF/A</u> and upload to the <u>Secure File Transfer</u> (<u>SFT) website</u> (<u>https://sft.ct.gov</u>).

Please don't hide forms in appendices.



Do **not** reuse forms from another site – it will likely result in an Administrative Rejection due to undeleted information about the first site.

1 Will bring you to instructions for that section of the verification form.

EUR Fact Sheets are required for all sites with EURs, regardless of when the EUR was filed [RCSA 22a-133q-9(a)]

Comment boxes on verification forms are for oddball situations (usually when Not Applicable is checked)



Indentations have meaning if you check A NAUL was recorded, then choose either Commissioner Approval or LEP Approval. If you check LEP Approval, then insert Date NAUL signed by LEP; if not, leave it blank.

A NAUL was recorded on the site		
☐ Commissioner Approval	Date Certificate of Title accepted by commissioner:	mm/dd/yyyy
☐ LEP Approval	Date NAUL documentation submitted to commissioner:	mm/dd/yyyy
Date NAUL signed by LEP:		



Please use links to skip to the next section that needs to be completed. Completing unneeded sections is confusing and could result in an Administrative Rejection.

A. Soil Release Determination and Investigation 1. No Releases to Soil No releases to soil associated with business operations were identified. The relevant findings of all "norelease" determinations are presented in the verification report. All potential releases to soil associated with business operations as of the applicable date of this verification have been investigated in accordance with prevailing standards and guidelines, including the SCGD (Phase II ESA) or other equal alternative approach, and there were no detected concentrations of a substance above naturally occurring conditions in soil.



If #1 is checked, skip to Part VI, "Groundwater Remediation Standards," below

Since the applicable date of a previous verification (referenced in Part IV.A



above), no releases to soil were identified.

Arrange Verification submittals as follows:

- 1. ETF (for computer filing)
- 2. Form (information staff needs to log it in)
- 3. Appendices (so staff can confirm all needed documents are attached)
- 4. Report



Attach appendices to the form and in order so staff can efficiently determine the verification is complete.

Establishment Address, City/Town	Rem #: Rem #
Part VII: Appendices & Exhibits	
Check all that apply and attach appropriate documentation to this Verification Form:	
Appendix A – Public Notice Documentation	
☐ Appendix B – Approvals and Notifications	
☐ Appendix C – EUR Fact Sheet and Certificate of Title	
☐ Exhibit 1 – Verification Report Required with all submittals	



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Remediation Roundtable Tip: Financial Assurance

Craig Bobrowiecki and Michael Senyk Environmental Analysts, Remediation Division

Financial Assurance

Wave 2 Changes to Financial Assurance for ECVs and TIs 22a-133k-1(f)

- 20% of 30 years of O&M, GWM, etc. (no phasing in, no calculator)
- Trust Agreement or Trust Fund (template in development)
- 2. Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit
- 3. Cash Option
- 4. Certificate of Insurance (template in development)



Financial Assurance

Wave 2 Changes to Financial Assurance for ECVs and TIs

- Amount to be adjusted for inflation every 5 years
- Financial Assurance not required if entity responsible for remediation is a municipality or state/federal agency
- Financial Assurance not required if amount is less than \$10,000 (Commissioner may require as a condition of approving ECV or TI or for multiple ECs on a single property)



Financial Assurance

- Templates are fillable-"Boilerplate" language is not to be changed, will be rejected if altered
- Financial Assurance instruments, including renewals, shall be submitted to the following:

Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Bureau of Central Services

Financial Management Division

79 Elm Street

Hartford, CT 06106-5127



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For Further Questions on Financial Assurance please contact Craig or Mike at craig.bobrowiecki@ct.gov or Micheal.Senyk@ct.gov

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Remediation Division Scanning Project





Roundtable Tip: Finding Remediation Documents on The Public Portal

Joanna Burnham: Environmental Analyst Remediation Division





UPDATE!!!!!

Documents are starting to migrate into the Public Portal!

Testing is going well so as that is finished up documents will start to migrate over. Will not happen all at once but over the next few weeks documents will start to populate with what has been scanned so far.

Look to our <u>webpage</u> for updates on where we are in the process!



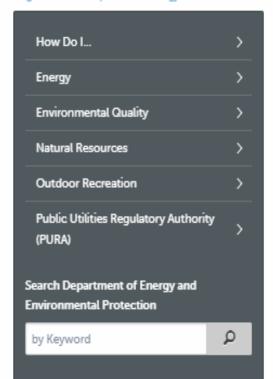
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DEEP is continuing to carry out its mission and provide services while keeping both the public and our workforce safe during the COVID-19 pandemic. Click here for the latest updates on DEEP's response to COVID-19. DEEP COVID-19 Response

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DEEP Online Services

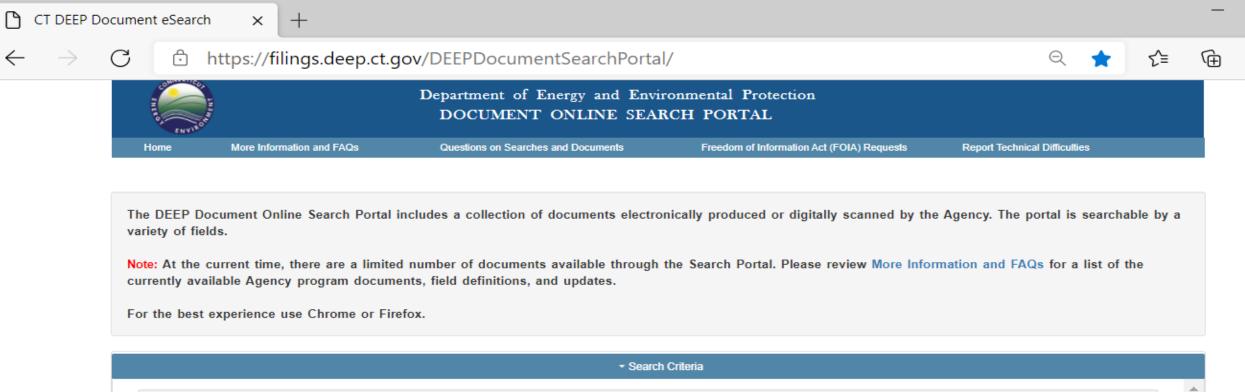
DEEP is continuing to expand its online business offerings!

Note: Many of our programs are now requesting electronic submittal of documents. Please verify directly with specific programs through email or through our program specific webpages concerning electronic submittal requirements.

Documents & Data

- . Use the new DEEP Document Online Search Portal to view currently available agency documents
- Video Online Search Portal Demonstration (Recorded October 2019 Remediation Roundtable Meeting)
- Search or browse public data provided by Connecticut State Agencies using the CT Open Data Portal
- Many datasets concerning the environment and natural resources category can be found within the CT Open Data Portal. These datasets can be searched, sorted, and tabulated.





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The Details.... Rather than scanning each folder as one pdf file the red folders are broken down into 12 categories

Site Investigations

RAPs/RARs

Engineered Control/ELURs/ Variance Correspondence Requests

Property Transfer Filings

Significant Environmental Hazard

Air Pre-inspection Questionnaire

Permits/Emergency Authorizations

Verification/ Audit/ Enforcement

Monitoring Reports

Miscellaneous

UST Clean Up App

-Files are indexed with Address, Town, REM ID(s), and associated program(s)

* Will not be able to capture individual dates of document



The DEEP Document Online Search Portal includes a collection of documents electronically produced or digitally scanned by the Agency. The portal is searchable by a variety of fields.

Note: At the current time, there are a limited number of documents available through the Search Portal. Please review More Information and FAQs for a list of the currently available Agency program documents, field definitions, and updates.

For the best experience use Chrome or Firefox.

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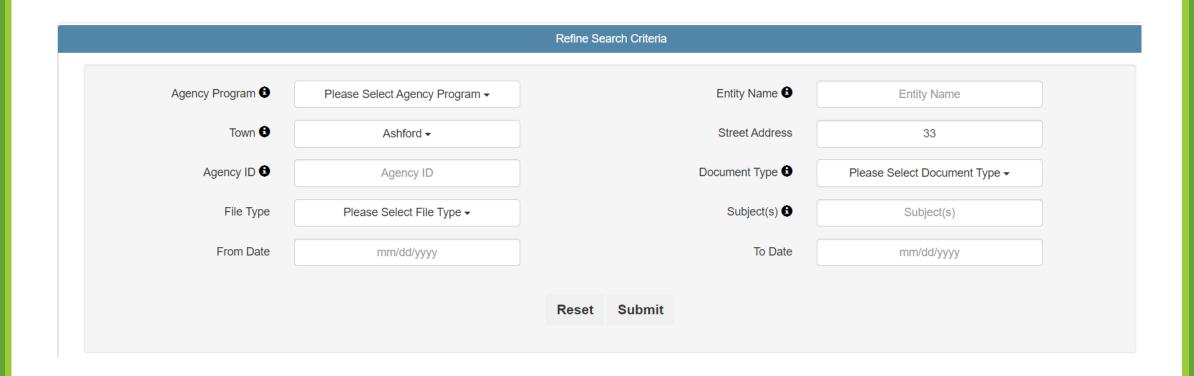
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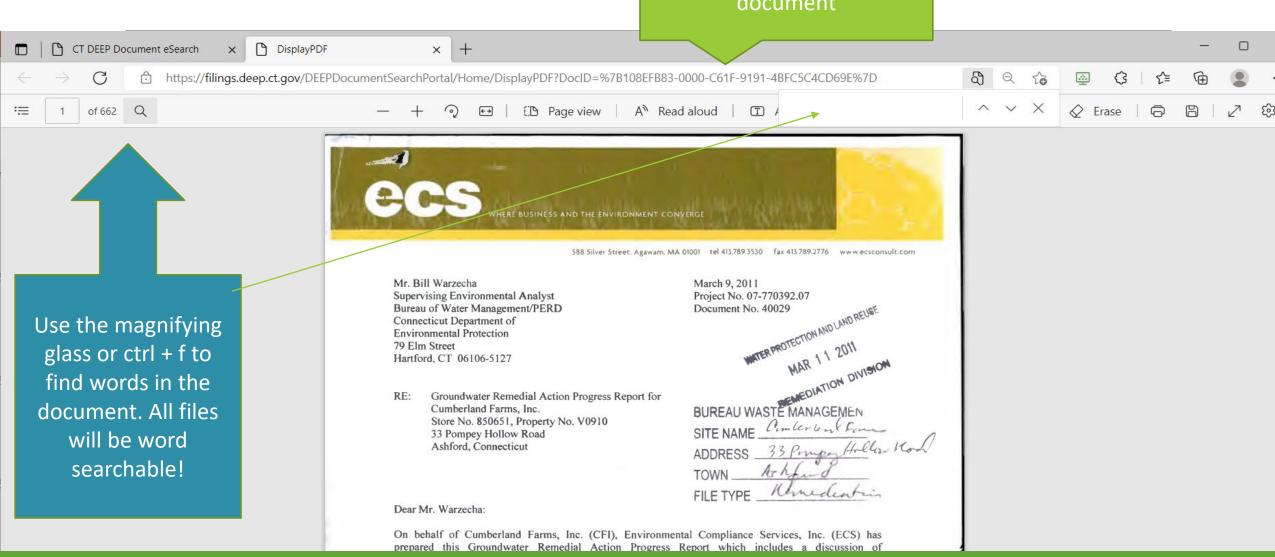
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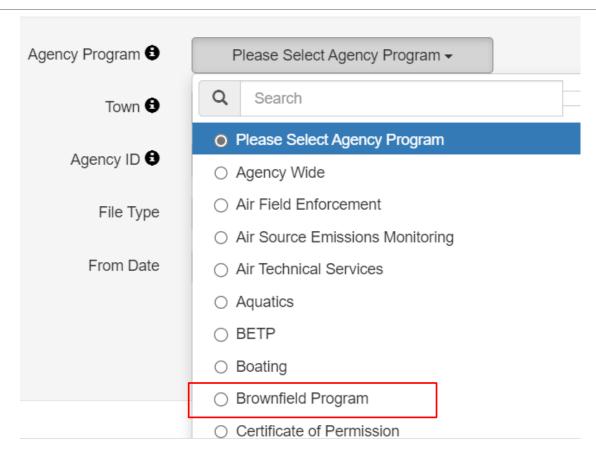
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DEEP Programs List



Programs Specific to Remediation

O Coastal Area Management Act Diversion Registration **Emergency Response Unit** ENV. Adjudication Federal Superfund O Fisheries and Game Flood Management Hazardous Waste Inland Wetlands Landfill Monitoring ○ LUST Mobile Source Group Municipal Water Pollution Control

- O NDDB Other Remediation Program ○ PCB Potable Water O Property Transfer O PURA Radiation DTX Radiation RMI RCRA Corrective Action Section 401 Water Quality Certificate (Tidal) SERC Significant Environmental Hazard O State Remediation Program Stormwater
- Structures, Dredging And Fill
 Structures, Dredging And Fill (401)
 Tidal Wetlands, Structures, Dredging And Fill
 Tidal Wetlands, Structures, Dredging and Fill (401)
 UST
 Voluntary Remediation
 Waste Transporter
 Water Diversion

This does not mean everything in remediation, this is specific to DEEP Lead remediation projects

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PFAS Action Plan Update

Speakers: Ray Frigon and Shannon Pociu, CT DEEP Remediation Division

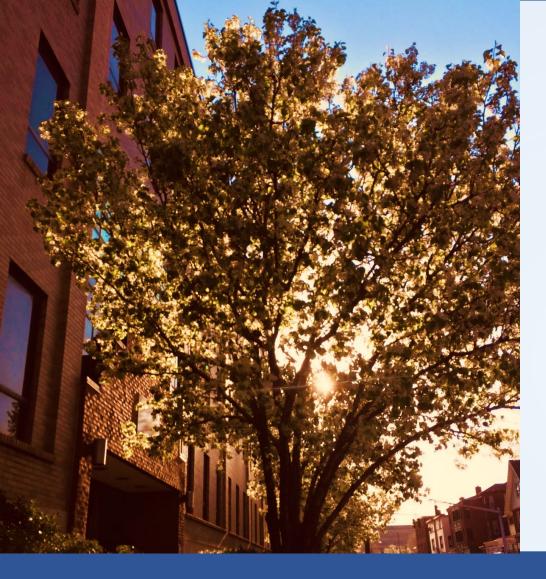




PFAS Agenda

- Recap June 15, 2022, Drinking Water Updates from CT DPH and EPA
- Additional Polluting Substance Criteria
- Ambient Soil Evaluation
- Federal Funding for PFAS
- EPA Proposed Hazardous Substance Listing
- AFFF Take-Back Update & Municipal Fire Department Guidance
- Private Well Projects
- POTW Study
- Hockanum River Fish Consumption Advisory & Follow-up Sampling
- Biosolids





CT's Updated Drinking Water Action Level for Perand Polyfluoroalkyl Substances

DEEP Remediation Roundtable

June 21, 2022

Cheryl Fields, Toxicologist, CT DPH Meg Harvey, Epidemiologist, CT DPH







DPH's Action Levels for 4 Individual PFAS



	Critical Health Effect	CT Action Levels (ppt)
PFOA	Developmental Effects	16
PFOS	Immune Suppression	10
PFNA	Developmental Effects	12
PFHxS	Thyroid Effects	49

- Have been detected in nearly all humans and in the groundwater and drinking water in CT
- Are driven by the most sensitive health effect observed for each in animal studies
- Are technically feasible (they are detectable and treatable)
- Are within the range and same magnitude as other federal and state agencies with enforceable standards (MCLs) and recommended guidelines



Questions



DPH's PFAS Frequently Asked Questions

RSR Additional Polluting Substance Criteria

Applies to ∑ PFOA, PFOS, PFNA, PFHxS & PFHpA

Remediation Standard	Criterion
Residential Direct Exposure Criterion	1.35 mg/kg
Industrial/Commercial Direct Exposure Criterion	41 mg/kg
GA Pollutant Mobility Criterion	1.4 μg/kg
GB Pollutant Mobility Criterion	14 μg/kg
Groundwater Protection Criterion (adopts DPH's Drinking Water Action Level for	70 ng/L
Surface Water Protection Criterion	In Development

- ❖ Existing summed PFAS APS criteria will be updated to individual criteria for PFOA, PFOS, PFNA, and PFHxS using the new DPH DWALs and Reference Doses.
- Toxicity information for calculating APS criteria for additional PFAS will be requested from DPH for future inclusion on the APS Fast Track form.

Requesting APS and Alternative Criteria (ct.gov)



Other Considerations

Ambient Soil Evaluation



Federal Funding for PFAS



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EPA – PFOA & PFOS as Haz Substances?

- EPA proposing to designate PFOA and PFOS as hazardous substances under CERCLA:
 - Increase transparency of such releases
 - Hold polluters accountable
 - Require reporting of future PFOA and PFOS releases over 1 pound
 - Trigger DOT to list and regulate PFOA and PFOS as hazardous materials
- Implications? EPA to exercise enforcement discretion
- Public comments received on or before November 7, 2022

AFFF Take-Back Program Phases

Joint DEEP/DESPP effort supported by \$2M bond

- ✓ Phase 1 Container Collection & Disposal for state/municipal AFFF concentrate
 - Launched in April 2021; Completed March 2022
 - 35,300 gal.+ collected from >250 fire departments
 - Cost of almost \$900,000 for pick up and safe disposal of AFFF in containers
- ✓ Phase 2 Decontamination study and foam trailer cleaning: Initiated Summer 2021
- ☐ Phase 3 Remove AFFF from onboard apparatus: Pending









Demonstration Project Approach

- ☐ 2 vendors using 2 different cleaning solutions at separate locations
 - AECOM teaming with TRS and Hiller using PerfluorAd® system
 - Arcadis using V171 / Fluoro Fighter™

Drain AFFF

Gross Water Rinse

Cleaning Solution and Water Rinse (Repeat 3 times)

Sampling After Each Step

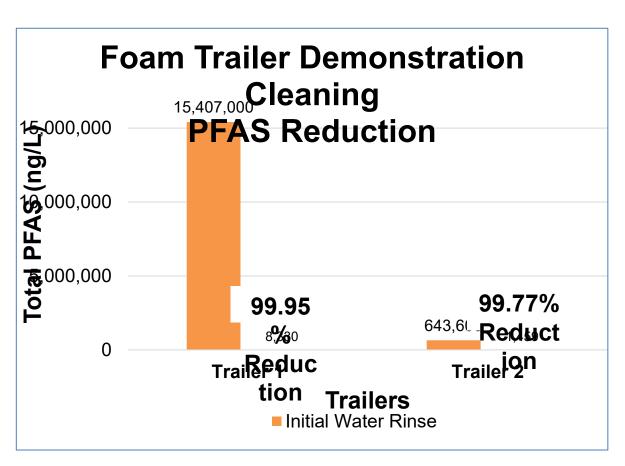
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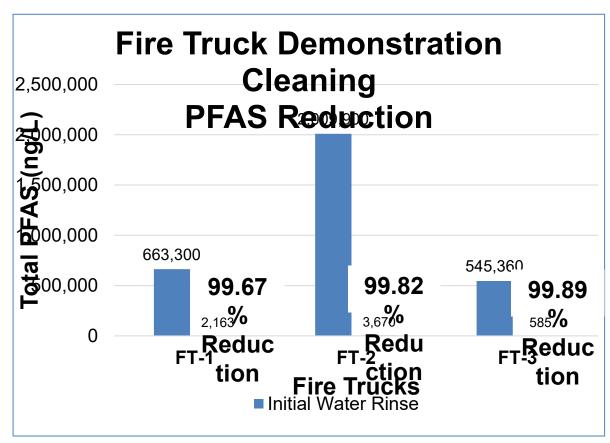
- PFAS per EPA 537 modified with ID,
 DoD QSM 5.3 Table B-15, 24 compounds
- TOP Assay on most samples





AECOM/TRS/Hiller – Preliminary Results

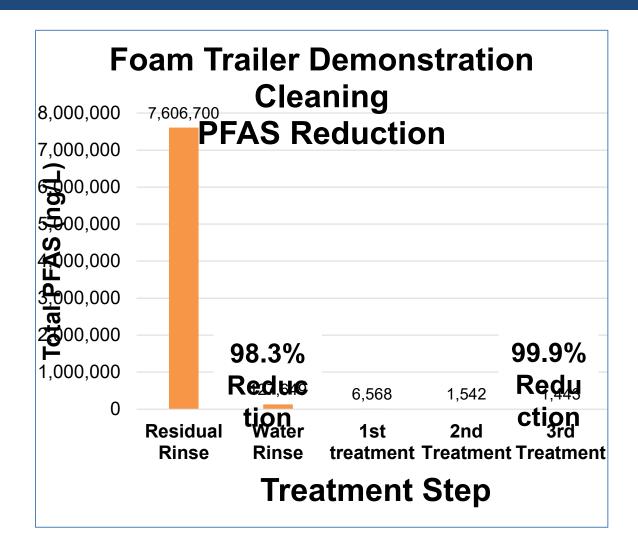




Notes: 1. Results shown for reduction after 3 treatment applications with *PerfluorAd*[®] system 2. Total PFAS represents list of 24 PFAS compounds, EPA 537 modified with isotope dilution



Arcadis – Preliminary Results



Notes:

- Results shown for reduction after 3 treatment applications with Fluoro FighterTM
- 2. Total PFAS represents list of 24 PFAS using EPA Method 537 modified with isotope dilution



Key Take-Aways from Decon Demonstration

- □ Proprietary cleaning agents were more effective at reducing PFAS than plain water rinses (>99% vs. ~95% removal)
- □ However, residual PFAS levels remain following use of proprietary cleaning agents that will still cross-contaminate new Fluorine-Free Foam (F3)
- ☐ Significant Logistics and Cost



Risk Reduction

Transitioning to Fluorine-Free Foam and cleaning fire apparatus is collectively a significant environmental improvement over continued use of AFFF.

• However, residual PFAS remaining in fire apparatus, even after rinsing, can cross-contaminate the new foam. Deployment of the new foam may still pose a potential environmental and/or human health risk.



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May 2022 Guidance: Draining and Rinsing AFFF from Municipal Onboard Systems

Recommendations for Municipal Fire Services

CFPC Website: Guidance Update

- 1. If AFFF has not been drained from onboard systems, lock out or remove discharge levers from the pump panel to prevent accidental use.
- 2. Use new F3 directly from shipping containers with external eductors
- 3. Drain AFFF remaining in onboard systems for future collection & disposal by DEEP/DESPP.

May 2022 Guidance: Draining and Rinsing AFFF from Municipal Onboard Systems

If a fire department decides to reuse the onboard foam system,

1. DEEP & DESPP strongly recommend performing triple-water rinse of the foam system and containing the wastewater.

DO NOT DISCHARGE THE WASTEWATER TO THE GROUND OR SEWER

- 2. The state may collect the PFAS wastewater for disposal (funding dependent).
- Fire departments can perform additional cleaning at their own expense.
- 4. The new F3 product will become cross-contaminated with residual PFAS. Deployment of F3 from onboard systems that previously contained AFFF will require reporting to DEEP Emergency Spill Response.



Next Steps in Take-Back Program



- ✓ Phase 2: Complete cost-benefit analysis for the 5 remaining regional foam trailers (clean vs. replace) and implement selected alternative UNDERWAY
- Phase 3: Collect and dispose of AFFF drained from municipal fire apparatus, as funding allows



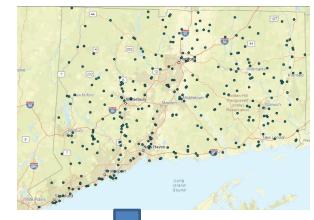
ONGOING PFAS PROJECTS – Potable Water Testing

Killingworth & East Hampton

- DEEP sampling private wells & providing bottled water or GAC treatment where concentrations exceed the action levels
- Source investigation underway in Killingworth

Testing in additional communities forthcoming in 2022/23

- Locations TBD based on PFAS GIS project/
 Vulnerability Study, prioritizing areas at high risk of PFAS pollution in EJ communities
- Will utilize \$1.15M in bond funds received at 12/21/21 Bond Commission Meeting (PA 21-111)





ONGOING PFAS PROJECTS – POTW Testing

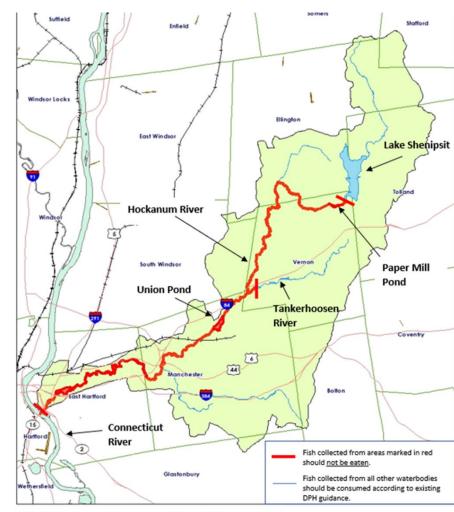
- Sampling 1/3 of POTWs (35)
 - Completed March 2022
- Media tested:
 - Influent, effluent, sludge at all 35 POTWs
 - Scrubber water at 4 POTWs with incinerators
 - Surface water and fish tissue samples from 10 receiving waters (summer only)
 - Final report anticipated before end of 2022





SURFACE WATER/FISH – Hockanum River

- Elevated PFOS concentrations in fish tissue identified during POTW sampling project in vicinity of Vernon WWTP
- Surface water not especially high
- 4/8/22 DPH issued "Do Not Eat" fish consumption advisory for Hockanum River downstream of Lake Shenipsit
- DEEP performing follow-up surface water, sediment, and fish tissue sampling to refine stream reaches of concern and identify source area(s)



Fish Tissue Consumption Advisory Map: Hockanum River Watershed



BIOSOLIDS

Department of Agriculture & CT Agricultural Experiment Station

 Evaluating PFAS content of some commercially available biosolids-based fertilizers manufactured and sold in CT

PFAS in Biosolids

Information for CT Agriculture

The Departments of Agriculture (DOAG) and Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) want to spread awareness about a family of chemicals called per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, or PFAS, that can be found in fertilizers derived from biosolids. DOAG and DEEP recommend that **farmers do NOT** apply processed biosolid fertilizer to agricultural fields without first requesting PFAS test results from their suppliers. If the biosolid product contains a combined PFAS concentration of 1.4 micrograms per kilogram [μ g/kg, or parts per billion (ppb)] or more for five specific PFAS chemicals*, it is recommended that you do not apply that product in bulk to your fields.

Research has shown that plants growing in soil that is repeatedly amended with PFAS-contaminated biosolids can impact all parts of the plant – roots, shoots, and fruits. Consumption of crops containing PFAS has the potential to cause adverse health effects in people and livestock. Further, PFAS-contaminated biosolids can also pollute groundwater below the application site, causing a risk to the people and livestock that drink local groundwater. Note that in other states, PFAS has been found in milk from dairy cows that consumed PFAS-containing crops and drinking water.



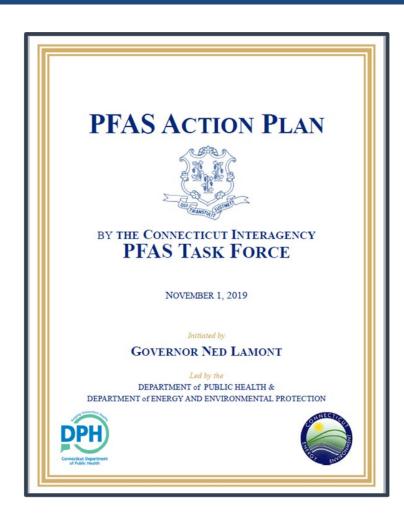


Joint DEEP/DoAg <u>PFAS Information for Agriculture</u>, May 2022

 Recommends avoiding bulk land application of biosolids-based fertilizers containing PFAS greater than 1.4 ug/kg (ppb) for the Sum of 5 PFAS (PFOA, PFOS, PFNA, PFHxS, PFHpA).



PFAS TASK FORCE UPDATE MEETING



- Coming Soon...
 - 3-Year Anniversary of CT's PFAS Action Plan
 - Comprehensive strategy for protecting Connecticut's citizens and the environment from PFAS.
 - 4 Strategic Focus Areas:
 - Protecting the Health of CT Citizens
 - Pollution Prevention
 - Remediation
 - Education, Outreach and Communication
- More information to come!



NEXT STEPS FOR DEEP

- **UPDATE APS CRITERIA,**ESTABLISH AMBIENT
 WATER QUALITY &
 SURFACE WATER
 PROTECTION CRITERIA
- COMPLETE STATE &
 MUNICIPAL AFFF TAKEBACK PROGRAM

- FOCUSED PRIVATE
 WELL SAMPLING IN
 HIGH-RISK AREAS
- **LANDFILL MONITORING**

- SUPPLEMENTAL BID FOR PFAS LAB ANALYSIS
 - To include additional matrices and methods





DEEP PFAS Webpage PFAS Task Force Webpage **CT PFAS Action Plan**

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