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RE: MDA HPT Meeting minutes

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Meeting Date: February 7, 2001, 8:30 am – 11:00 am
Meeting Location: NMED-OB Conference Room, Santa Fe, New Mexico

Attendees: Paula Bertino (LANL-ER)
Neelam Dhawan (NMED-HWB)
Eliza Frank (NMED-HWB)
Diana Hollis (LANL-ER)
John Hopkins (LANL-ER)
Woody Woodworth (DOE-AL)

Agenda

- Determine the scope/context/endpoint for MDA H CMS
- Discuss presentation for CAB ER Subcommittee Meeting 2/12/01
 - Specifically, is the topic of the presentation an overview of the MDA Focus Area or the CMS of MDA H? See CAB agenda.
- Briefly discuss status of the draft Public Involvement Plan
- Discuss Status of Draft CMS Plan and Key Decisions for CMS
 - The HSWA Module of LANL's Hazardous Waste Facility Permit is based on and incorporates RCRA Subpart S.
- Briefly discuss NMED-HWB MDA H RFI Report Comments and LANL's pending response to the comments
 - Separate meeting to present LANL's response is scheduled for 8:30 am, February 14, 2001 at the NMED-HWB. This start time may be moved to 9:30 am.
 - Discuss when LANL will send the RFI Report to EPA for review.
- Discuss status of CMS schedule
- Establish agenda, date and time of next HPT meeting

Outcome of Agenda Item Discussions

Determine the scope/context/endpoint for MDA H:

Specific concerns were raised by LANL regarding the fact that the remedy at MDA H will not actually be final until: 1) the HWP/site-wide groundwater monitoring program is established, 2) MDA G and L are "closed," and 3) all PRSs in the Lower Pajarito aggregate are investigated and the cumulative watershed assessment is complete. The team discussed whether the corrective action to be implemented at MDA H should be considered a conditional remedy, an interim remedy, or a phased remedy. The team agreed that this decision does not have to be made at this time and is inherent in the CMS process. The team also agreed to keep this issue in mind during the preparation of the CMS Plan and Report.

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The team determined that the implementation of a corrective measure at MDA H would not preclude the future consideration and/or implementation of a new technology or remedy at the site and that site monitoring and review cycles will be designed to address any problems associated with the degradation of the initial remedy. Additionally, the team agreed that there would be two evaluation periods for the corrective action, one at the end of the design life/phase of institutional control and one during the subsequent long-term stewardship phase.

Presentation to the CAB ER Subcommittee Meeting 2/12/01:

The team reviewed and agreed on overheads for the presentation to the CAB ER Subcommittee meeting on February 12th. The HPT will send at least three members (one each from DOE, NMED-HWB and LANL) to the meeting to present the following: an synopsis of the MDAs at LANL; an overview of the RCRA Corrective Action process; a description of the HPT and its mission; a description of MDA H; an overview of the RFI and CMS at MDA H; and the proposed CMS schedule including a discussion of specific HPT milestones we would like to receive input on from the subcommittee.

Public Involvement Plan (PIP):

The team discussed the draft PIP. It was agreed that LANL and DOE really “own” the plan and NMED-HWB will determine their role during the public participation process and how and when they will participate. Specific comments were suggested by team members and will be incorporated into the draft plan by LANL. The revised PIP will be distributed with the final version of these meeting minutes. Specific public involvement activities to be evaluated and incorporated into the Public Involvement Plan include:

- Open Houses/Working Sessions
- Focus Groups
- Web Site
- Tours
- How stakeholder questions and information inquiries will be addressed
- Most frequently asked questions list

Discuss Status of the Draft CMS Plan and Key Decisions for the CMS:

During the January 10, 2001 HPT meeting, the team discussed whether Sections 5.0 and 6.0 of the CMS Plan will be based on current permit language, Subpart S or some combination that may be reflected in the new permit. The team agreed that the HSWA Module is consistent with and incorporates RCRA Subpart S. The team agreed that the CMS Plan and Report would follow the HSWA Module. LANL indicated that the draft CMS Plan for MDA H would be submitted to NMED-HWB for formal review in early March 2001.

Discuss NMED-HWB MDA H RFI Report Comments and LANL's pending response to the comments

- An HPT working meeting to present and discuss LANL's response to NMED's comments on the MDA H RFI Report is scheduled for **9:30 am, February 14, 2001** at the NMED-HWB. LANL will send HWB a draft response prior to the meeting. The report will be considered a

“working draft” until the team completes the Data Gap section and Conclusions of the document.

- The team agreed that LANL will send the “working draft” version of the MDA H RFI Report to EPA for review of the risk assessment section of the RFI.

Discuss status of CMS schedule:

The team made no changes to the schedule agreed to during the December 12, 2000 HPT meeting. This schedule is attached along with the CAB schedule for FY01. Several of the dates listed for the RFI report have slipped, but the overall schedule is on target.