

Hybrid Quarterly ACP Stakeholder Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

December 6, 2022

Metcalfe Building - 1520 E. 6th Ave, Room 111 & ZOOM

Attendees (in person):

Denise A. Kirkpatrick, Hazardous Material Section Supervisor (DEQ)

Greg Kurvink, Asbestos Control Environmental Specialist (DEQ)

Rick Thompson, Waste Management Bureau Chief (DEQ)

Deb Sutliff, Records & Information Management Coordinator (DEQ)

Kevin Garman, Waste Management Bureau's Program Support (DEQ)

Representative Ken Holmlund, Miles City

Attendees (online):

Matthew Tooke

Bruce Kirby

Scott, Boston

Robert Brown

Bob Smith

Joe Radonich (MDT)

Introductions – Rebecca Myers

Rebecca was unable to attend today meeting.

New Section Supervisor

Ms. Kirkpatrick introduced herself as the new Hazardous Material Section Supervisor. Ms. Kirkpatrick shared that she holds a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Engineering and has been with DEQ for over 25 years.

Message from WMB's Bureau Chief

Ms. Kirkpatrick introduced Rick Thompson. Mr. Thompson thanked the group for taking time to meet. He informed the group that one of his main objectives is for these Hybrid Quarterly ACP Stakeholder Meeting to be productive. He encouraged stakeholders to engage DEQ with concerns and questions.

Website Update

Greg Kurvink informed the group that he had recently updated the program's website in collaboration with other staff. Mr. Kurvink said the site had been improved with the intent to provide clear and concise language and to be user friendly. Mr. Kurvink encouraged Stakeholders to review the website. He asked Stakeholders to let the program know if there are any issues or suggestions. Mr. Kurvink extended appreciation to those that gave input on the old website.

Training Provider's Applications

Mr. Kurvink said training providers applications are all in and the program is approximately 75% complete with the reviews and approvals. Mr. Kurvink added that the program is pleased with the submittal packages and had little corrective actions on these training provider applications.

Annual Permits Are Due

The program received five annual permit applications this year. As a reminder, annual permits expire on December 31st.

ACP Recruitment

Ms. Kirkpatrick shared with the group that the program is recruiting for two positions. The two ACP positions were posted with other open positions in the Bureau. The postings are on mt.gov for interested individuals.

Future Stakeholders' Outreach on Proposed Rule Amendments

Ms. Kirkpatrick said the program has been working on a rule package to improve the Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM), with the intent for the rules to be clear and concise, while keeping in mind the Governor's directive for regulatory reform. The target is to hold hybrid meeting to solicit informal comment on the rule package in the latter part of the first quarter of 2023. The program intends to hold several meetings so that the program may receive informal comments from Stakeholders.

Public Comment

Ms. Kirkpatrick asked the group for questions or comments. No comments were expressed, and no questions were asked.

Adjourn

Ms. Kirkpatrick adjourned the meeting at 16:49.

Next meeting

Scheduled for Tuesday, March 7, 2022