**MODEL REMEDIAL DESIGN**

**STATEMENT OF WORK**

**[OPERABLE UNIT \_\_]**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ SUPERFUND SITE**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ City, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County, State of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**EPA Region \_\_\_**

**(For Use with Model RD Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent)**

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1. INTRODUCTION
   1. **Purpose of the SOW**. This Statement of Work (SOW) sets forth the procedures and requirements for implementing the Work.
   2. **Structure of the SOW**.

* Section 2 (Community Involvement) sets forth EPA’s and Respondents’ responsibilities for community involvement.
* Section 3 (Remedial Design) sets forth the process for developing the RD, which includes the submission of specified primary deliverables.
* Section 4 (Contingency Remedy) sets forth Respondents’ obligations during the RD for testing and/or investigations needed for EPA to make a determination whether the contingency remedy selected in the ROD needs to be implemented.
* Section 5 (Reporting) sets forth Respondents’ reporting obligations.
* Section 6 (Deliverables) describes the content of the supporting deliverables and the general requirements regarding Respondents’ submission of, and EPA’s review of, approval of, comment on, and/or modification of, the deliverables.
* Section 7 (Schedules) sets forth the schedule for submitting the primary deliverables, specifies the supporting deliverables that must accompany each primary deliverable, and sets forth the schedule of milestones regarding the completion of the RD.
* Section 8 (State Participation) addresses State participation.
* Section 9 (References) provides a list of references, including URLs.
  1. The terms used in this SOW that are defined in CERCLA, in regulations promulgated under CERCLA, or in the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent (“Settlement”), have the meanings assigned to them in CERCLA, in such regulations, or in the Settlement, except that the term “Paragraph” or “¶” means a paragraph of the SOW, and the term “Section” means a section of the SOW, unless otherwise stated.

1. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
   1. **Community Involvement Responsibilities**
      1. EPA has the lead responsibility for developing and implementing community involvement activities at the Site. Previously [during the RI/FS phase], EPA developed a Community Involvement Plan (CIP) for the Site. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 300.435(c), EPA shall review the existing CIP and determine whether it should be revised to describe further public involvement activities during the Work that are not already addressed or provided for in the existing CIP [, including, if applicable, [any Technical Assistance Grant (TAG), any use of the Technical Assistance Services for Communities (TASC) contract, and/or any Technical Assistance Plan (TAP)]].
      2. If requested by EPA, Respondents shall participate in community involvement activities, including participation in (1) the preparation of information regarding the Work for dissemination to the public, with consideration given to including mass media and/or Internet notification, and (2) public meetings that may be held or sponsored by EPA to explain activities at or relating to the Site. Respondents’ support of EPA’s community involvement activities may include providing online access to initial submissions and updates of deliverables to (1) any Community Advisory Groups, (2) any Technical Assistance Grant recipients and their advisors, and (3) other entities to provide them with a reasonable opportunity for review and comment. EPA may describe in its CIP Respondents’ responsibilities for community involvement activities. All community involvement activities conducted by Respondents at EPA’s request are subject to EPA’s oversight. Upon EPA’s request, Respondents shall establish a community information repository at or near the Site to house one copy of the administrative record.
      3. **Respondents’ CI Coordinator**. If requested by EPA, Respondents shall, within [15] days, designate and notify EPA of Respondents’ Community Involvement Coordinator (Respondents’ CI Coordinator). Respondents may hire a contractor for this purpose. Respondents’ notice must include the name, title, and qualifications of the Respondents’ CI Coordinator. Respondents’ CI Coordinator is responsible for providing support regarding EPA’s community involvement activities, including coordinating with EPA’s CI Coordinator regarding responses to the public’s inquiries about the Site.

[NOTE: In the next section and throughout this SOW, the deadlines for performing a task or submitting a deliverable have been intentionally omitted. In lieu of including such deadlines (and even cross references to the Schedules), ¶ 7.1 provides that “all deliverables and tasks required under this SOW must be submitted or completed by the deadlines or within the time durations listed in the RD Schedules.” To simplify editing of the SOW, and to simplify executing subsequent modifications to SOW deadlines, it is intended that all deadlines be in a central location, i.e., in Section 7 (Schedules). Therefore, the SOW should *not* be edited to include, in each paragraph that describes a deliverable or task, either the deadline for such deliverable or task, or even a cross reference to the Schedule that contains such deadline.]

1. REMEDIAL DESIGN
   1. **RD Work Plan**. Respondents shall submit a Remedial Design (RD) Work Plan (RDWP) for EPA approval. The RDWP must include:
      1. Plans for implementing all RD activities identified in this SOW, in the RDWP, or required by EPA to be conducted to develop the RD;
      2. A description of the overall management strategy for performing the RD, including a proposal for phasing of design and construction, if applicable;
      3. A description of the proposed general approach to contracting, construction, operation, maintenance, and monitoring of the Remedial Action (RA) as necessary to implement the Work;
      4. A description of the responsibility and authority of all organizations and key personnel involved with the development of the RD;
      5. Descriptions of any areas requiring clarification and/or anticipated problems (e.g., data gaps);
      6. [Description of any proposed pre-design investigation;]
      7. [Description of any proposed treatability study;]
      8. Descriptions of any applicable permitting requirements and other regulatory requirements;
      9. Description of plans for obtaining access in connection with the Work, such as property acquisition, property leases, and/or easements; and
      10. The following supporting deliverables described in ¶ 6.6 (Supporting Deliverables): Health and Safety Plan; and Emergency Response Plan. [**NOTE: If the SOW includes ¶ 3.3 (Pre-Design Investigation), also include Field Sampling Plan and Quality Assurance Project Plan.**]
   2. Respondents shall meet regularly with EPA to discuss design issues as necessary, as directed or determined by EPA.

[NOTE: The SOW describes many deliverables that are to be submitted to EPA. Some are to be submitted “for EPA approval,” some “for EPA comment,” and some are to be simply submitted without either EPA approval or comment. The model SOW includes careful selections of those deliverables that are to be submitted for “approval,” those that are to be submitted for “comment,” and those that are to be submitted without the need for “comment” or “approval.”]

[NOTE: The SOW includes numerous EPA obligations (such as approvals and notices) that must be completed in a timely manner for the remedial design process to proceed efficiently and on schedule. Some of these are items that Respondents require to proceed with the next step of the remedial design process. Note that the Settlement contains a provision in the “Force Majeure” section [¶ 47], as follows: “The failure by EPA to timely complete any obligation under the Settlement or under the SOW is not a violation of the Settlement, provided, however, that if such failure prevents Respondents from meeting one or more deadlines in the SOW, Respondents may seek relief under this Section [XIV] (Force Majeure).”]

[NOTE: The Pre-Design Investigation (PDI) may not be needed if sufficient data were gathered during the RI/FS. The PDI is only needed when additional field investigations are necessary to address data gaps.]

* 1. **Pre-Design Investigation**. The purpose of the Pre-Design Investigation (PDI) is to address data gaps identified in the RI/FS by conducting additional field investigations.
     1. **PDI Work Plan**. [If EPA requests,] Respondents shall submit a PDI Work Plan (PDIWP) for EPA approval. The PDIWP must include:
        1. An evaluation and summary of existing data and description of data gaps;
        2. A sampling plan including media to be sampled, contaminants or parameters for which sampling will be conducted, location (areal extent and depths), and number of samples; and
        3. Cross references to quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) requirements set forth in the Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) as described in ¶ 6.6(d).
     2. Following the PDI, Respondents shall submit a PDI Evaluation Report. This report must include:
        1. Summary of the investigations performed;
        2. Summary of investigation results;
        3. Summary of validated data (i.e., tables and graphics);
        4. Data validation reports and laboratory data reports;
        5. Narrative interpretation of data and results;
        6. Results of statistical and modeling analyses;
        7. Photographs documenting the work conducted; and
        8. Conclusions and recommendations for RD, including design parameters and criteria.
     3. EPA may require Respondents to supplement the PDI Evaluation Report and/or to perform additional pre-design studies.

[NOTE: Depending on the type of remedy selected, a Treatability Study (TS) may be needed during RD. Remedies involving the use of proven technologies may not need a TS. Review the guidance referenced in ¶ 3.4(b) for information about whether a TS is appropriate in a given case.]

* 1. **Treatability Study**
     1. Respondents shall perform a Treatability Study (TS) for the purpose of \_\_\_\_\_\_.
     2. Respondents shall submit a TS Work Plan (TSWP) for EPA approval. Respondents shall prepare the TSWP in accordance with EPA’s *Guide for Conducting Treatability Studies under CERCLA, Final* (Oct. 1992), as supplemented for RD by the *Remedial Design/Remedial Action Handbook*, EPA 540/R-95/059 (June 1995).
     3. Following completion of the TS, Respondents shall submit a TS Evaluation Report for EPA comment.
     4. EPA may require Respondents to supplement the TS Evaluation Report and/or to perform additional treatability studies.
  2. **Preliminary (30%) RD**. Respondents shall submit a Preliminary (30%) RD for EPA’s comment. The Preliminary RD must include:
     1. A design criteria report, as described in the *Remedial Design/Remedial Action Handbook*, EPA 540/R-95/059 (June 1995);
     2. Preliminary drawings and specifications;
     3. Descriptions of permit requirements, if applicable;
     4. Preliminary Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Plan and O&M Manual;
     5. A description of how the RA will be implemented in a manner that minimizes environmental impacts in accordance with EPA’s *Principles for Greener Cleanups* (Aug. 2009);
     6. A description of monitoring and control measures to protect human health and the environment, such as air monitoring and dust suppression, during the RA; and
     7. Updates of all supporting deliverables required to accompany the RDWP and the following additional supporting deliverables described in ¶ 6.6 (Supporting Deliverables): [**delete if submitted with RDWP:** Field Sampling Plan; Quality Assurance Project Plan;] Site Wide Monitoring Plan; Construction Quality Assurance/Quality Control Plan; Transportation and Off-Site Disposal Plan; O&M Plan; O&M Manual; and Institutional Controls Implementation and Assurance Plan.

[NOTE: The Intermediate (60%) RD may not be needed for a less complex project.]

* 1. **Intermediate (60%) RD**. Respondents shall submit the Intermediate (60%) RD for EPA’s comment. The Intermediate RD must: (a) be a continuation and expansion of the Preliminary RD; (b) address EPA’s comments regarding the Preliminary RD; and (c) include the same elements as are required for the Preliminary (30%)RD.
  2. **Pre-Final (95%) RD**. Respondents shall submit the Pre-final (95%) RD for EPA’s comment. The Pre-final RD must be a continuation and expansion of the previous design submittal and must address EPA’s comments regarding the Intermediate RD. The Pre-final RD will serve as the approved Final (100%) RD if EPA approves the Pre-final RD without comments. The Pre-final RD must include:
     1. A complete set of construction drawings and specifications that are: (1) certified by a registered professional engineer; (2) suitable for procurement; and (3) follow the Construction Specifications Institute’s MasterFormat [**specify current edition, See https://www.csiresources.org/home**];
     2. A survey and engineering drawings showing existing Site features, such as elements, property borders, easements, and Site conditions;
     3. Pre-Final versions of the same elements and deliverables as are required for the [Preliminary/Intermediate] RD;
     4. A specification for photographic documentation of the RA; and
     5. Updates of all supporting deliverables required to accompany the Preliminary (30%) RD.
  3. **Final (100%) RD**. Respondents shall submit the Final (100%) RD for EPA approval. The Final RD must address EPA’s comments on the Pre-final RD and must include final versions of all Pre-final RD deliverables.
  4. **Emergency Response and Reporting**
     1. **Emergency Response and Reporting**. If any event occurs during performance of the Work that causes or threatens to cause a release of Waste Material on, at, or from the Site and that either constitutes an emergency situation or that may present an immediate threat to public health or welfare or the environment, Respondents shall: (1) immediately take all appropriate action to prevent, abate, or minimize such release or threat of release; (2) immediately notify the authorized EPA officer (as specified in ¶ 3.9(c)) orally; and (3) take such actions in consultation with the authorized EPA officer and in accordance with all applicable provisions of the Health and Safety Plan, the Emergency Response Plan, and any other deliverable approved by EPA under the SOW.
     2. **Release Reporting**. Upon the occurrence of any event during performance of the Work that Respondents are required to report pursuant to Section 103 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9603, or Section 304 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-know Act (EPCRA), 42 U.S.C. § 11004, Respondents shall immediately notify the authorized EPA officer orally.
     3. The “authorized EPA officer” for purposes of immediate oral notifications and consultations under ¶ 3.9(a) and ¶ 3.9(b) is the EPA Project Coordinator, the EPA Alternate Project Coordinator (if the EPA Project Coordinator is unavailable), or the EPA [Emergency Response Unit], Region \_\_ (if neither EPA Project Coordinator is available).
     4. For any event covered by ¶ 3.9(a) and ¶ 3.9(b), Respondents shall: (1) within [14] days after the onset of such event, submit a report to EPA describing the actions or events that occurred and the measures taken, and to be taken, in response thereto; and (2) within 30 days after the conclusion of such event, submit a report to EPA describing all actions taken in response to such event.
     5. The reporting requirements under ¶ 3.9 are in addition to the reporting required by CERCLA § 103 or EPCRA § 304.
  5. **Off-Site Shipments**
     1. Respondents may ship hazardous substances, pollutants, and contaminants from the Site to an off-Site facility only if they comply with Section 121(d)(3) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9621(d)(3), and 40 C.F.R. § 300.440. Respondents will be deemed to be in compliance with CERCLA § 121(d)(3) and 40 C.F.R. § 300.440 regarding a shipment if Respondents obtain a prior determination from EPA that the proposed receiving facility for such shipment is acceptable under the criteria of 40 C.F.R. § 300.440(b).
     2. Respondents may ship Waste Material from the Site to an out-of-state waste management facility only if, prior to any shipment, they provide notice to the appropriate state environmental official in the receiving facility’s state and to the EPA Project Coordinator. This notice requirement will not apply to any off‑Site shipments when the total quantity of all such shipments does not exceed 10 cubic yards. The notice must include the following information, if available: (1) the name and location of the receiving facility; (2) the type and quantity of Waste Material to be shipped; (3) the schedule for the shipment; and (4) the method of transportation. Respondents also shall notify the state environmental official referenced above and the EPA Project Coordinator of any major changes in the shipment plan, such as a decision to ship the Waste Material to a different out-of-state facility. Respondents shall provide the notice as soon as practicable after the award of the contract and before the Waste Material is shipped.
     3. Respondents may ship Investigation Derived Waste (IDW) from the Site to an off-Site facility only if they comply with Section 121(d)(3) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9621(d)(3), 40 C.F.R. § 300.440, *EPA’s Guide to Management of Investigation Derived Waste*, OSWER 9345.3-03FS (Jan. 1992), and any IDW-specific requirements contained in the ROD. Wastes shipped off-Site to a laboratory for characterization, and RCRA hazardous wastes that meet the requirements for an exemption from RCRA under 40 CFR § 261.4(e) shipped off-site for treatability studies, are not subject to 40 C.F.R. § 300.440.
  6. **Notice of Work Completion**
     1. When EPA determines, after EPA’s review of the Final 100% RD under ¶ 3.8 (Final (100%) RD), that all Work has been fully performed in accordance with this Settlement, with the exception of any continuing obligations as provided in ¶ 3.11(c), EPA will provide written notice to Respondents. If EPA determines that any such Work has not been completed in accordance with this Settlement, EPA will notify Respondents, provide a list of the deficiencies, and require that Respondents modify the RD Work Plan if appropriate in order to correct such deficiencies.
     2. Respondents shall implement the modified and approved RD Work Plan and shall submit a modified Final 100% Report for EPA approval in accordance with the EPA notice. If approved, EPA will issue the Notice of Work Completion.

[NOTE: In most cases, despite issuance of the Notice of Work Completion, Respondents will have continuing obligations under the Settlement regarding the Site. Modify the paragraph below as appropriate.]

* + 1. Issuance of the Notice of Work Completion does not affect the following continuing obligations: (1) obligations under Sections [**VIII**] (Property Requirements), [**IX**] (Access to Information), and [**X**] (Record Retention of the Settlement; (3) [**add other relevant obligations**]; and (4) reimbursement of EPA’s Future Response Costs under Section [**XII**] (Payment of Response Costs) of the Settlement.]

[NOTE: Include the next Section only if the ROD provides for a contingency remedy.]

1. CONTINGENCY REMEDY
   1. **Testing/Investigations**. If testing and/or investigations are needed for EPA to make a determination whether the contingency remedy selected in the ROD needs to be implemented, Respondents shall submit a plan for implementing such testing and/or investigations, shall implement such testing and/or investigations in accordance with EPA’s approval and/or modification of such plan, and shall submit reports to EPA regarding the results of such testing and/or investigations.
2. REPORTING
   1. **Progress Reports**. Respondents shall submit progress reports to EPA on a [monthly/weekly] basis, or as otherwise requested by EPA, from the date of receipt of EPA’s approval of the RD Work Plan until issuance of Notice of Work Completion pursuant to ¶ 3.11, unless otherwise directed in writing by EPA’s Project Coordinator. The reports must cover all activities that took place during the prior reporting period, including:
      1. The actions that have been taken toward achieving compliance with the Settlement;
      2. A summary of all results of sampling, tests, and all other data received or generated by Respondents;
      3. A description of all deliverables that Respondents submitted to EPA;
      4. A description of all activities scheduled for the next [six weeks];
      5. information regarding percentage of completion, unresolved delays encountered or anticipated that may affect the future schedule for implementation of the Work, and a description of efforts made to mitigate those delays or anticipated delays;
      6. A description of any modifications to the work plans or other schedules that Respondents have proposed or that have been approved by EPA; and
      7. A description of all activities undertaken in support of the Community Involvement Plan (CIP) during the reporting period and those to be undertaken in the next [six weeks].
   2. **Notice of Progress Report Schedule Changes**. If the schedule for any activity described in the Progress Reports, including activities required to be described under ¶ 5.1(d), changes, Respondents shall notify EPA of such change at least seven days before performance of the activity.
3. DELIVERABLES
   1. **Applicability**. Respondents shall submit deliverables for EPA approval or for EPA comment as specified in the SOW. If neither is specified, the deliverable does not require EPA’s approval or comment. Paragraphs 6.2 (In Writing) through 6.4 (Technical Specifications) apply to all deliverables. Paragraph 6.5 (Approval of Deliverables) applies to any deliverable that is required to be submitted for EPA approval.
   2. **In Writing**. All deliverables under this SOW must be in writing unless otherwise specified.

[NOTE: If paper copies of specific deliverables (in addition to large exhibits) are needed, the paragraph below should be edited accordingly.]

* 1. **General Requirements for Deliverables**
     1. Except as otherwise provided in this Order, Respondents shall direct all deliverables required by this Order to the EPA Project Coordinator at [**insert EPA Project Coordinator’s name and email address**].
     2. All deliverables provided to the State in accordance with **¶** 8 (State Participation) shall be directed to [**insert name, address, phone number, email**].
     3. All deliverables must be submitted by the deadlines in the RD Schedule, as applicable. Respondents shall submit all deliverables to EPA in electronic form. Technical specifications for sampling and monitoring data and spatial data are addressed in **¶** 6.4. All other deliverables shall be submitted to EPA in the electronic form specified by the EPA Project Coordinator. If any deliverable includes maps, drawings, or other exhibits that are larger than 8.5” by 11”, Respondents shall also provide EPA with paper copies of such exhibits.
  2. **Technical Specifications**

[NOTE: The information in this paragraph is consistent with the EPA National Geospatial Data Policy 2008, which is under review and may be revised at any time. The case team should check <https://www.epa.gov/geospatial/geospatial-policies-and-standards> for the latest guidance on the policy and associated EPA and CERCLA procedures and technical specifications, including standards and quality assurance for geographic information system (GIS) deliverables.]

* + 1. Sampling and monitoring data should be submitted in standard regional Electronic Data Deliverable (EDD) format. [**Specify the EDD format that the Region uses**.] Other delivery methods may be allowed if electronic direct submission presents a significant burden or as technology changes.
    2. Spatial data, including spatially-referenced data and geospatial data, should be submitted: (1) in the ESRI File Geodatabase format [**or insert Regionally-preferred spatial file format**]; and (2) as unprojected geographic coordinates in decimal degree format using North American Datum 1983 (NAD83) or World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS84) as the datum. If applicable, submissions should include the collection method(s). Projected coordinates may optionally be included but must be documented. Spatial data should be accompanied by metadata, and such metadata should be compliant with the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) Content Standard for Digital Geospatial Metadata and its EPA profile, the EPA Geospatial Metadata Technical Specification. An add-on metadata editor for ESRI software, the EPA Metadata Editor (EME), complies with these FGDC and EPA metadata requirements and is available at https://www.epa.gov/geospatial/epa-metadata-editor.
    3. Each file must include an attribute name for each site unit or sub-unit submitted. Consult <https://www.epa.gov/geospatial/geospatial-policies-and-standards> for any further available guidance on attribute identification and naming.
    4. Spatial data submitted by Respondents does not, and is not intended to, define the boundaries of the Site.

[NOTE: The provisions of ¶ 6.5 (Approval of Deliverables) have been carefully integrated. It is recommended that these provisions not be changed unless there is a site-specific reason for doing so. Even then the case team should ensure that the change is consistent with the other parts of ¶ 6.5.]

* 1. **Approval of Deliverables**
     1. **Initial Submissions**
        1. After review of any deliverable that is required to be submitted for EPA approval under the Settlement or the SOW, EPA shall: (i) approve, in whole or in part, the submission; (ii) approve the submission upon specified conditions; (iii) disapprove, in whole or in part, the submission; or (iv) any combination of the foregoing.
        2. EPA also may modify the initial submission to cure deficiencies in the submission if: (i) EPA determines that disapproving the submission and awaiting a resubmission would cause substantial disruption to the Work; or (ii) previous submission(s) have been disapproved due to material defects and the deficiencies in the initial submission under consideration indicate a bad faith lack of effort to submit an acceptable deliverable.
     2. **Resubmissions**. Upon receipt of a notice of disapproval under ¶ 6.5(a) (Initial Submissions), or if required by a notice of approval upon specified conditions under ¶ 6.5(a), Respondents shall, within \_\_ days or such longer time as specified by EPA in such notice, correct the deficiencies and resubmit the deliverable for approval. After review of the resubmitted deliverable, EPA may: (1) approve, in whole or in part, the resubmission; (2) approve the resubmission upon specified conditions; (3) modify the resubmission; (4) disapprove, in whole or in part, the resubmission, requiring Respondents to correct the deficiencies; or (5) any combination of the foregoing.
     3. **Implementation**. Upon approval, approval upon conditions, or modification by EPA under ¶ 6.5(a) (Initial Submissions) or ¶ 6.5(b) (Resubmissions), of any deliverable, or any portion thereof: (1) such deliverable, or portion thereof, will be incorporated into and enforceable under the Settlement; and (2) Respondents shall take any action required by such deliverable, or portion thereof. The implementation of any non-deficient portion of a deliverable submitted or resubmitted under ¶ 6.5(a) or ¶ 6.5(b) does not relieve Respondents of any liability for stipulated penalties under Section [**XV**] (Stipulated Penalties) of the Settlement.
  2. **Supporting Deliverables**. Respondents shall submit each of the following supporting deliverables for EPA approval, except as specifically provided. Respondents shall develop the deliverables in accordance with all applicable regulations, guidances, and policies (see Section 9 (References)). Respondents shall update each of these supporting deliverables as necessary or appropriate during the course of the Work, and/or as requested by EPA.

[NOTE: The case team should keep or delete elements below as appropriate based on requirements of the particular remedy.]

* + 1. **Health and Safety Plan**. The Health and Safety Plan (HASP) describes all activities to be performed to protect on site personnel and area residents from physical, chemical, and all other hazards posed by the Work. Respondents shall develop the HASP in accordance with EPA’s Emergency Responder Health and Safety and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements under 29 C.F.R. §§ 1910 and 1926. The HASP required by this RD SOW should cover RD activities and should be, as appropriate, updated to cover activities during the RA and updated to cover activities after RA completion. (Updates may be needed for RA activities and after RA completion.) EPA does not approve the HASP, but will review it to ensure that all necessary elements are included and that the plan provides for the protection of human health and the environment.
    2. **Emergency Response Plan**. The Emergency Response Plan (ERP) must describe procedures to be used in the event of an accident or emergency at the Site (for example, power outages, water impoundment failure, treatment plant failure, slope failure, etc.). The ERP must include:
       1. Name of the person or entity responsible for responding in the event of an emergency incident;
       2. Plan and date(s) for meeting(s) with the local community, including local, State, and federal agencies involved in the cleanup, as well as local emergency squads and hospitals;
       3. Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasures (SPCC) Plan (if applicable), consistent with the regulations under 40 C.F.R. Part 112, describing measures to prevent, and contingency plans for, spills and discharges;
       4. Notification activities in accordance with ¶ 3.9(b) (Release Reporting) in the event of a release of hazardous substances requiring reporting under Section 103 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9603, or Section 304 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-know Act (EPCRA), 42 U.S.C. § 11004; and
       5. A description of all necessary actions to ensure compliance with ¶ 3.9 (Emergency Response and Reporting) of the SOW in the event of an occurrence during the performance of the Work that causes or threatens a release of Waste Material from the Site that constitutes an emergency or may present an immediate threat to public health or welfare or the environment.
    3. **Field Sampling Plan**. The Field Sampling Plan (FSP) addresses all sample collection activities. The FSP must be written so that a field sampling team unfamiliar with the project would be able to gather the samples and field information required. Respondents shall develop the FSP in accordance with *Guidance for Conducting Remedial Investigations and Feasibility Studies*, EPA/540/G 89/004 (Oct. 1988).
    4. **Quality Assurance Project Plan**. The Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) augments the FSP and addresses sample analysis and data handling regarding the Work. The QAPP must include a detailed explanation of Respondents’ quality assurance, quality control, and chain of custody procedures for all treatability, design, compliance, and monitoring samples. Respondents shall develop the QAPP in accordance with *EPA Requirements for Quality Assurance Project Plans*, QA/R-5, EPA/240/B-01/003 (Mar. 2001, reissued May 2006); *Guidance for Quality Assurance Project Plans*, QA/G-5, EPA/240/R 02/009 (Dec. 2002); and *Uniform Federal Policy for Quality Assurance Project Plans*, Parts 1‑3, EPA/505/B-04/900A though 900C (Mar. 2005). The QAPP also must include procedures:
       1. To ensure that EPA [and the State] and its [their] authorized representative have reasonable access to laboratories used by Respondents in implementing the Settlement (Respondents’ Labs);
       2. To ensure that Respondents’ Labs analyze all samples submitted by EPA pursuant to the QAPP for quality assurance monitoring;
       3. To ensure that Respondents’ Labs perform all analyses using EPA-accepted methods (i.e., the methods documented in *USEPA Contract Laboratory Program Statement of Work for Inorganic Analysis*, ILM05.4 (Dec. 2006); *USEPA Contract Laboratory Program Statement of Work for Organic Analysis*, SOM01.2 (amended Apr. 2007); and *USEPA Contract Laboratory Program Statement of Work for Inorganic Superfund Methods (Multi-Media, Multi-Concentration)*, ISM01.2 (Jan. 2010)) or other methods acceptable to EPA;
       4. To ensure that Respondents’ Labs participate in an EPA-accepted QA/QC program or other program QA/QC acceptable to EPA;
       5. For Respondents to provide EPA [and the State] with notice at least [28] days prior to any sample collection activity;
       6. For Respondents to provide split samples and/or duplicate samples to EPA [and the State] upon request;
       7. For EPA [and the State] to take any additional samples that it deems [they deem] necessary;
       8. For EPA [and the State] to provide to Respondents, upon request, split samples and/or duplicate samples in connection with EPA’s [and the State’s] oversight sampling; and
       9. For Respondents to submit to EPA [and the State] all sampling and tests results and other data in connection with the implementation of the Settlement.
    5. **Site Wide Monitoring Plan**. The purpose of the Site Wide Monitoring Plan (SWMP) is to obtain baseline information regarding the extent of contamination in affected media at the Site; to obtain information, through short- and long- term monitoring, about the movement of and changes in contamination throughout the Site, before and during implementation of the RA; to obtain information regarding contamination levels to determine whether Performance Standards (PS) are achieved; and to obtain information to determine whether to perform additional actions, including further Site monitoring. The SWMP must include:
       1. Description of the environmental media to be monitored;
       2. Description of the data collection parameters, including existing and proposed monitoring devices and locations, schedule and frequency of monitoring, analytical parameters to be monitored, and analytical methods employed;
       3. Description of how performance data will be analyzed, interpreted, and reported, and/or other Site-related requirements;
       4. Description of verification sampling procedures;
       5. Description of deliverables that will be generated in connection with monitoring, including sampling schedules, laboratory records, monitoring reports, and monthly and annual reports to EPA and State agencies; and
       6. Description of proposed additional monitoring and data collection actions (such as increases in frequency of monitoring, and/or installation of additional monitoring devices in the affected areas) in the event that results from monitoring devices indicate changed conditions (such as higher than expected concentrations of the contaminants of concern or groundwater contaminant plume movement).
    6. **Construction Quality Assurance/Quality Control Plan (CQA/QCP)**. The purpose of the Construction Quality Assurance Plan (CQAP) is to describe planned and systemic activities that provide confidence that the RA construction will satisfy all plans, specifications, and related requirements, including quality objectives. The purpose of the Construction Quality Control Plan (CQCP) is to describe the activities to verify that RA construction has satisfied all plans, specifications, and related requirements, including quality objectives. The CQA/QCP must:
       1. Identify, and describe the responsibilities of, the organizations and personnel implementing the CQA/QCP;
       2. Describe the PS required to be met to achieve Completion of the RA;
       3. Describe the activities to be performed: (i) to provide confidence that PS will be met; and (ii) to determine whether PS have been met;
       4. Describe verification activities, such as inspections, sampling, testing, monitoring, and production controls, under the CQA/QCP;
       5. Describe industry standards and technical specifications used in implementing the CQA/QCP;
       6. Describe procedures for tracking construction deficiencies from identification through corrective action;
       7. Describe procedures for documenting all CQA/QCP activities; and
       8. Describe procedures for retention of documents and for final storage of documents.

[NOTE Regarding ¶ 6.6(g) (Transportation and Off-Site Disposal Plan): For most remedial actions, ¶ 3.10 (Off-Site Shipments) should be sufficient to ensure that Waste Material will be disposed of properly off-site and, therefore, the requirement to prepare a Transportation and Off-Site Disposal Plan (TODP) can be omitted. However, a TODP may be required, for example, when off-site disposal requirements are complicated by high vehicle traffic and densely populated areas.]

* + 1. **Transportation and Off-Site Disposal Plan**. The Transportation and Off-Site Disposal Plan (TODP) describes plans to ensure compliance with ¶ 3.10 (Off-Site Shipments). The TODP must include:
       1. Proposed routes for off-site shipment of Waste Material;
       2. Identification of communities affected by shipment of Waste Material; and
       3. Description of plans to minimize impacts on affected communities.
    2. **O&M Plan**. The O&M Plan describes the requirements for inspecting, operating, and maintaining the RA. Respondents shall develop the draft O&M Plan in accordance with *Guidance for Management of Superfund Remedies in Post Construction*, OLEM 9200.3-105 (Feb. 2017). The O&M Plan must include the following additional requirements:
       1. Description of PS required to be met to implement the ROD;
       2. Description of activities to be performed: (i) to provide confidence that PS will be met; and (ii) to determine whether PS have been met;
       3. **O&M Reporting**. Description of records and reports that will be generated during O&M, such as daily operating logs, laboratory records, records of operating costs, reports regarding emergencies, personnel and maintenance records, monitoring reports, and monthly and annual reports to EPA and State agencies;
       4. Description of corrective action in case of systems failure, including: (i) alternative procedures to prevent the release or threatened release of Waste Material which may endanger public health and the environment or may cause a failure to achieve PS; (ii) analysis of vulnerability and additional resource requirements should a failure occur; (iii) notification and reporting requirements should O&M systems fail or be in danger of imminent failure; and (iv) community notification requirements; and
       5. Description of corrective action to be implemented in the event that PS are not achieved; and a schedule for implementing these corrective actions.
    3. **O&M Manual**. The O&M Manual serves as a guide to the purpose and function of the equipment and systems that make up the remedy. Respondents shall develop the draft O&M Manual in accordance with *Guidance for Management of Superfund Remedies in Post Construction*, OLEM 9200.3-105 (Feb. 2017).
    4. **Institutional Controls Implementation and Assurance Plan**. The Institutional Controls Implementation and Assurance Plan (ICIAP) describes plans to implement, maintain, and enforce the Institutional Controls (ICs) at the Site. Respondents shall develop the ICIAP in accordance with *Institutional Controls: A Guide to Planning, Implementing, Maintaining, and Enforcing Institutional Controls at Contaminated Sites*, OSWER 9355.0-89, EPA/540/R-09/001 (Dec. 2012), and *Institutional Controls: A Guide to Preparing Institutional Controls Implementation and Assurance Plans at Contaminated Sites*, OSWER 9200.0-77, EPA/540/R-09/02 (Dec. 2012). The ICIAP must include the following additional requirements:
       1. Locations of recorded real property interests (e.g., easements, liens) and resource interests in the property that may affect ICs (e.g., surface, mineral, and water rights) including accurate mapping and geographic information system (GIS) coordinates of such interests; and
       2. Legal descriptions and survey maps that are prepared according to current American Land Title Association (ALTA) [**for Texas sites:** Texas Land Title Association (TLTA)] Survey guidelines and certified by a licensed surveyor.

1. SCHEDULES
   1. **Applicability and Revisions**. All deliverables and tasks required under this SOW must be submitted or completed by the deadlines or within the time durations listed in the RD Schedule set forth below. Respondents may submit proposed revised RD Schedules for EPA approval. Upon EPA’s approval, the revised RD Schedules supersede the RD Schedules set forth below, and any previously-approved RD Schedules.
   2. **RD Schedule**

|  | **Description of Deliverable, Task** | **¶ Ref.** | **Deadline** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1 | [TAP] | 10.1(c) | [X days after EPA request] |
| 2 | [Designate TAP Coordinator] | 10.1(c)(7) | [X days after EPA request] |
| 3 | RDWP | 3.1 | X days after EPA’s Authorization to Proceed regarding Supervising Contractor under Settlement ¶ [**13.c**] |
| 4 | [PDIWP] | [3.3(a)] | [X days after EPA’s Authorization to Proceed regarding Supervising Contractor under Settlement ¶ [**13.c**]] |
| 5 | Preliminary (30%) RD | 3.5,  3.3(a) | X days after EPA approval of Final RDWP |
| 6 | [Intermediate (60%) RD] | [3.6] | [X days after EPA comments on Preliminary RD] |
| 7 | Pre-final (90/95%) RD | 3.7 | X days after EPA comments on [Preliminary or Intermediate] RD |
| 8 | Final (100%) RD | 3.8 | X days after EPA comments on Pre-final RD |

[NOTE: Substitute “Tribe” for “State” throughout Section 8 if the Site is entirely on tribal land. Add “and Tribe” after “State” throughout Section 8 if both have a role at or an interest in the Site.]

1. STATE PARTICIPATION
   1. **Copies**. Respondents shall, at any time they send a deliverable to EPA, send a copy of such deliverable to the State. EPA shall, at any time it sends a notice, authorization, approval, or disapproval to Respondents, send a copy of such document to the State.
   2. **Review and Comment**. The State will have a reasonable opportunity for review and comment prior to:
      1. Any EPA approval or disapproval under ¶ 6.5 (Approval of Deliverables) of any deliverables that are required to be submitted for EPA approval; and
      2. any disapproval of, or Notice of Work Completion under, ¶ 3.11 (Notice of Work Completion).
2. REFERENCES
   1. The following regulations and guidance documents, among others, apply to the Work. Any item for which a specific URL is not provided below is available on one of the two EPA Web pages listed in ¶ 9.2:

[NOTE: Case teams may modify the list to add references specific to the remedy selected in the ROD or to any applicable Regional guidance.]

* + 1. A Compendium of Superfund Field Operations Methods, OSWER 9355.0‑14, EPA/540/P-87/001a (Aug. 1987).
    2. CERCLA Compliance with Other Laws Manual, Part I: Interim Final, OSWER 9234.1-01, EPA/540/G-89/006 (Aug. 1988).
    3. Guidance for Conducting Remedial Investigations and Feasibility Studies, OSWER 9355.3-01, EPA/540/G-89/004 (Oct. 1988).
    4. CERCLA Compliance with Other Laws Manual, Part II, OSWER 9234.1-02, EPA/540/G-89/009 (Aug. 1989).
    5. Guidance on EPA Oversight of Remedial Designs and Remedial Actions Performed by Potentially Responsible Parties, OSWER 9355.5-01, EPA/540/G-90/001 (Apr.1990).
    6. Guidance on Expediting Remedial Design and Remedial Actions, OSWER 9355.5-02, EPA/540/G-90/006 (Aug. 1990).
    7. Guide to Management of Investigation-Derived Wastes, OSWER 9345.3‑03FS (Jan. 1992).
    8. Permits and Permit Equivalency Processes for CERCLA On-Site Response Actions, OSWER 9355.7‑03 (Feb. 1992).
    9. Guidance for Conducting Treatability Studies under CERCLA, OSWER 9380.3-10, EPA/540/R‑92/071A (Nov. 1992).
    10. National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan; Final Rule, 40 C.F.R. Part 300 (Oct. 1994).
    11. Guidance for Scoping the Remedial Design, OSWER 9355.0-43, EPA/540/R-95/025 (Mar. 1995).
    12. Remedial Design/Remedial Action Handbook, OSWER 9355.0-04B, EPA/540/R-95/059 (June 1995).
    13. EPA Guidance for Data Quality Assessment, Practical Methods for Data Analysis, QA/G-9, EPA/600/R-96/084 (July 2000).
    14. Comprehensive Five-year Review Guidance, OSWER 9355.7-03B-P, 540‑R‑01-007 (June 2001).
    15. Guidance for Quality Assurance Project Plans, QA/G-5, EPA/240/R‑02/009 (Dec. 2002).
    16. Institutional Controls: Third Party Beneficiary Rights in Proprietary Controls (Apr. 2004).
    17. Quality management systems for environmental information and technology programs -- Requirements with guidance for use, ASQ/ANSI E4:2014 (American Society for Quality, February 2014).
    18. Uniform Federal Policy for Quality Assurance Project Plans, Parts 1-3, EPA/505/B-04/900A though 900C (Mar. 2005).
    19. Superfund Community Involvement Handbook SEMS 100000070 (January 2016), <https://www.epa.gov/superfund/community-involvement-tools-and-resources>.
    20. EPA Guidance on Systematic Planning Using the Data Quality Objectives Process, QA/G-4, EPA/240/B-06/001 (Feb. 2006).
    21. EPA Requirements for Quality Assurance Project Plans, QA/R-5, EPA/240/B‑01/003 (Mar. 2001, reissued May 2006).
    22. EPA Requirements for Quality Management Plans, QA/R-2, EPA/240/B‑01/002 (Mar. 2001, reissued May 2006).
    23. USEPA Contract Laboratory Program Statement of Work for Inorganic Analysis, ILM05.4 (Dec. 2006).
    24. USEPA Contract Laboratory Program Statement of Work for Organic Analysis, SOM01.2 (amended Apr. 2007).
    25. EPA National Geospatial Data Policy, CIO Policy Transmittal 05-002 (Aug. 2008), <https://www.epa.gov/geospatial/geospatial-policies-and-standards> and <https://www.epa.gov/geospatial/epa-national-geospatial-data-policy>.
    26. Summary of Key Existing EPA CERCLA Policies for Groundwater Restoration, OSWER 9283.1-33 (June 2009).
    27. Principles for Greener Cleanups (Aug. 2009), <https://www.epa.gov/greenercleanups/epa-principles-greener-cleanups>.
    28. [**If Technical Assistance Plan provided for in SOW:** Providing Communities with Opportunities for Independent Technical Assistance in Superfund Settlements, Interim (Sep. 2009).]
    29. USEPA Contract Laboratory Program Statement of Work for Inorganic Superfund Methods (Multi-Media, Multi-Concentration), ISM01.2 (Jan. 2010).
    30. Close Out Procedures for National Priorities List Sites, OSWER 9320.2-22 (May 2011).
    31. Groundwater **Road Map: Recommended Process for Restoring Contaminated Groundwater at Superfund Sites,** OSWER 9283.1-34 (July 2011).
    32. Recommended Evaluation of Institutional Controls: Supplement to the “Comprehensive Five-Year Review Guidance,” OSWER 9355.7-18 (Sep. 2011).
    33. Construction Specifications Institute’s MasterFormat [**specify current edition**], available from the Construction Specifications Institute, <https://www.csinet.org/masterformat>.
    34. Updated Superfund Response and Settlement Approach for Sites Using the Superfund Alternative Approach, OSWER 9200.2‑125 (Sep. 2012).
    35. Institutional Controls: A Guide to Planning, Implementing, Maintaining, and Enforcing Institutional Controls at Contaminated Sites, OSWER 9355.0-89, EPA/540/R-09/001 (Dec. 2012).
    36. Institutional Controls: A Guide to Preparing Institutional Controls Implementation and Assurance Plans at Contaminated Sites, OSWER 9200.0-77, EPA/540/R-09/02 (Dec. 2012).
    37. [EPA’s Emergency Responder Health and Safety Manual](http://www.epaosc.org/_HealthSafetyManual/manual-index.htm), [OSWER 9285.3-12](http://www.epaosc.org/_HealthSafetyManual/emergency-responder-manual-directive-final.pdf) (July 2005 and updates), <http://www.epaosc.org/_HealthSafetyManual/manual-index.htm>.
    38. Broader Application of Remedial Design and Remedial Action Pilot Project Lessons Learned, OSWER 9200.2-129 (Feb. 2013).
    39. Guidance for Evaluating Completion of Groundwater Restoration Remedial Actions, OSWER 9355.0-129 (Nov. 2013).
    40. Groundwater Remedy Completion Strategy: Moving Forward with the End in Mind, OSWER 9200.2-144 (May 2014).
    41. Guidance for Management of Superfund Remedies in Post Construction, OLEM 9200.3-105 (Feb. 2017), <https://www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-post-construction-completion>.
  1. A more complete list may be found on the following EPA Web pages:

Laws, Policy, and Guidance https://www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-policy-guidance-and-laws

Test Methods Collections <https://www.epa.gov/measurements/collection-methods>

* 1. For any regulation or guidance referenced in the Settlement or SOW, the reference will be read to include any subsequent modification, amendment, or replacement of such regulation or guidance. Such modifications, amendments, or replacements apply to the Work only after Respondents receive notification from EPA of the modification, amendment, or replacement.

1. APPENDIX – TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PLAN INSERTS

[NOTE: If the case team decides to provide for a Technical Assistance Plan (TAP), then use this paragraph and insert it at the end of ¶ 2.1 (Community Involvement Responsibilities). The rest of the paragraphs in the SOW (including in the RD Schedule) will renumber automatically. Technical Assistance Plans are a concept utilized primarily for sites using the Superfund Alternative Approach, although they are occasionally used at NPL sites as well. They are conceptually similar to Technical Assistance Grants, which typically provide an initial $50,000 for independent technical assistance to communities. Paragraph 10.1 (which will become ¶ 2.2 when inserted after ¶ 2.1) should be included in the SOW only if EPA and the Respondents agree that the settlement should include a TAP provision. If a prior RI/FS settlement agreement relating to the ROD included a TAP provision, then this SOW will also probably include a TAP provision. Moreover, in that instance, EPA and the Respondents will likely agree to simply continue the existing TAP, and portions of ¶ 10.1 (Respondents’ Responsibilities for Technical Assistance) should be modified accordingly (e.g., to omit the process for selecting a community group and to replace it with language that reflects that a group was already selected during the RI/FS).]

* 1. **Respondents’ Responsibilities for Technical Assistance**
     1. If EPA requests, Respondents shall arrange for a qualified community group to receive the services of a technical advisor(s) who can: (i) help group members understand Site cleanup issues (specifically, to interpret and comment on Site-related documents developed under this SOW); and (ii) share this information with others in the community. The technical advisor(s) will be independent from the Respondents. Respondents’ TAP assistance will be limited to $50,000, except as provided in ¶ 10.1(d)(3), and will end when EPA certifies completion of the Remedial Action. Respondents shall implement this requirement under a Technical Assistance Plan (TAP).

[NOTE: The above paragraph does not necessarily mean that Respondents will transfer funds to the community group. Respondents may elect, for example, to enter into an agreement providing that the community group direct its advisor to provide certain services, with the community group later receiving an invoice from the advisor, approving it, and sending the invoice to Respondents for payment.]

* + 1. If EPA requests, Respondents shall cooperate with EPA in soliciting interest from community groups regarding a TAP at the Site. If more than one community group expresses an interest in a TAP, Respondents shall cooperate with EPA in encouraging the groups to submit a single, joint application for a TAP.

[NOTE: If a community group expresses interest in participating in a TAP and appears to be eligible, then EPA generally should request that Respondents prepare and submit a TAP. See *Interim Guidance: Providing Communities with Opportunities for Independent Technical Assistance in Superfund Settlements* (Sep. 3, 2009).]

* + 1. If EPA requests, Respondents shall, within [30] days, submit a proposed TAP for EPA approval. The TAP must describe the Respondents’ plans for the qualified community group to receive independent technical assistance. The TAP must include the following elements:
       1. For Respondents to arrange for publication of a notice in local media that they have received a Letter of Intent (LOI) to submit an application for a TAP. The notice should explain how other interested groups may also try to combine efforts with the LOI group or submit their own applications, by a reasonable specified deadline;
       2. For Respondents to review the application(s) received and determine the eligibility of the community group(s). The proposed TAP must include eligibility criteria as follows:
          1. A community group is eligible if it is: (a) comprised of people who are affected by the release or threatened release at the Site, and (b) able to demonstrate its ability to adequately and responsibly manage TAP-related responsibilities.
          2. A community group is ineligible if it is: (a) a potentially responsible party (PRP) at the Site, represents such a PRP, or receives money or services from a PRP (other than through the TAP); (b) affiliated with a national organization; (c) an academic institution; (d) a political subdivision; (e) a tribal government; or (f) a group established or presently sustained by any of the above ineligible entities; or (g) a group in which any of the above ineligible entities is represented.
       3. For Respondents to notify EPA of their determination on eligibility of the applicant group(s) to ensure that the determination is consistent with the SOW before notifying the group(s);
       4. If more than one community group submits a timely application, for Respondents to review each application and evaluate each application based on the following elements:
          1. The extent to which the group is representative of those persons affected by the Site; and
          2. The effectiveness of the group’s proposed system for managing TAP-related responsibilities, including its plans for working with its technical advisor and for sharing Site-related information with other members of the community.
       5. For Respondents to document their evaluation of, and their selection of, a qualified community group, and to brief EPA regarding their evaluation process and choice. EPA may review Respondents’ evaluation process to determine whether the process satisfactorily follows the criteria in ¶ 10.1(c)(4). TAP assistance may be awarded to only one qualified group at a time;
       6. For Respondents to notify all applicant(s) about Respondents’ decision;
       7. For Respondents to designate a person (TAP Coordinator) to be their primary contact with the selected community group;

[NOTE: Respondents’ obligations to implement a TAP and their obligation to support EPA’s Community Involvement Activities are distinct obligations. The EPA Project Coordinator might not request that Respondents prepare and implement a TAP (and designate a TAP Coordinator) since, historically, community groups have expressed interest in TAPs in only about 20% of settlements that contain TAP provisions. Similarly, the EPA Project Coordinator might not request that Respondents designate a CI Coordinator, since the EPA Project Coordinator might decide EPA does not need Respondents’ support. Therefore, the deadlines for designating a TAP coordinator and for designating a CI Coordinator may be different. However, Respondents generally will designate the same individual for both responsibilities if both requirements are triggered.]

* + - 1. A description of Respondents’ plans to implement the requirements of ¶ 10.1(d) (Agreement with Selected Community Group); and
      2. For Respondents to submit quarterly progress reports regarding the implementation of the TAP.
    1. **Agreement with Selected Community Group**
       1. Respondents shall negotiate an agreement with the selected community group that specifies the duties of Respondents and the community group. The agreement must specify the activities that may be reimbursed under the TAP and the activities that may not be reimbursed under the TAP. The list of allowable activities must be consistent with 40 C.F.R. § 35.4070 (e.g., obtaining the services of an advisor to help the group understand the nature of the environmental and public health hazards at the Site and the various stages of the response action, and communicating Site information to others in the community). The list of non-allowable activities must be consistent with 40 C.F.R. § 35.4075 (e.g., activities related to litigation or political lobbying).

[NOTE: EPA has developed a sample agreement to use as a starting point for negotiations between Respondents and the selected community group. The sample agreement is available from the Office of Site Remediation Enforcement upon request.]

* + - 1. The agreement must provide that Respondents’ review of the Community Group’s recommended choice for Technical Advisor will be limited, consistent with 40 C.F.R. §§ 35.4190 and 35.4195, to criteria such as whether the advisor has relevant knowledge, academic training, and relevant experience as well as the ability to translate technical information into terms the community can understand.
      2. The agreement must provide that the Community Group is eligible for additional TAP assistance, if it can demonstrate that it has effectively managed its TAP responsibilities to date, and that at least three of the following 10 factors are satisfied:
         1. EPA expects that more than eight years (beginning with the initiation of the RI/FS) will pass before construction completion will be achieved;
         2. EPA requires treatability studies or evaluation of new and innovative technologies;
         3. EPA reopens the ROD;
         4. The public health assessment (or related activities) for the Site indicates the need for further health investigations and/or health-related activities;
         5. After Respondents’ selection of the Community Group for the TAP, EPA designates additional operable units at the Site;
         6. EPA issues an Explanation of Significant Differences for the ROD;
         7. After Respondents’ selection of the Community Group, a legislative or regulatory change results in significant new Site information;
         8. Significant public concern about the Site exists, as evidenced, e.g., by relatively large turnout at meetings, the need for multiple meetings, the need for numerous copies of documents to inform community members, etc.;
         9. Any other factor that, in EPA’s judgment, indicates that the Site is unusually complex; or
         10. A RI/FS costing at least $2 million was performed at the Site.
      3. Respondents are entitled to retain any unobligated TAP funds when EPA certifies the completion of the Remedial Action.
      4. Respondents shall submit a draft of the proposed agreement to EPA for its comments.

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