

CARD/ EGLE Quarterly Meeting Minutes
June 6, 2023 at 10:00 AM
[20230606 CARD/EGLE Quarterly Meeting via Zoom](#)

The meeting was called to order by Roger Rayle at 10:05 AM

The May Meeting Minutes were approved by the Board.

Jack Eaton moderated.

EPA Updates-

Nuria Muniz gave an EPA update and slide presentation on where we are in the process for Superfund Site designation. The Site Inspection is underway with sampling being done for scoring purposes. This should be done as early as late July. They feel confident that they are moving towards the site scoring high enough to be listed as an NPL Superfund site.

Congresswoman Dingell's Team, Georgia Frost has invited everyone to a Town Hall Forum on Wednesday June 28 at 5:00 pm. [20230628 GELMAN DIOXANE PLUME - COMMUNITY UPDATE FORUM](#)

EGLE Updates-

Dan Hamel showed us on a map the remediation locations from the New CJ4, which was signed on May 17. There are still some MW's being accessed and installed. He showed us other areas of work the Polluter is doing, like the Rose Extraction Well. There will be two new monitoring plans (east and west), which will have the sampling plan included, expected to be submitted to EGLE in July. Roger mentioned that not all wells are being drilled to bedrock, like they were supposed to be. Dan explained the non-expansion plan. That as long as wells are below 7.2 ppb, they don't trigger an expansion. Rita Loch-Caruso inquired about any shallow MW's in the Eastern area? Dan stated that all wells are in the plan, but there can be additional wells installed at a later date. MW 40E was discussed and the KOC site which is being discussed for development. This well is about 1500 feet from the site per Roger. And there is a home with 2 ppb detections very closeby. Again, some of these wells were not drilled to bedrock, so we really do not know these aquifer modeling and not sure how the dioxane got here, too.

Dan said there is no information to be released due to the Confidentiality agreement.

Homeowner well sampling started today with EGLE and Washtenaw County. 250 wells were identified to be sampled using Method 8260 Sim, which can detect to .5ppb. They will be resampling the Blueberry Lane property in August/ Sept. The homeowner there is still being supplied bottled water for drinking.

GSI workplan for Allen Creek- In the CJ4, EGLE is discussing how Gelman should revise their draft workplan and submit back to EGLE.

Nothing new on NPDES renewal permit.

Vince Caruso asked EGLE if they have reviewed the near surface groundwater studies, which show the levels close to homes and basements could be a problem. EGLE has not done a formal evaluation of this. ELGE is aware of some of these reviews and pathways. Jack asked

if there was any legislative action that could be done? Josh said that yes, they would need an in-house study and then an environmental rules committee and then a joint house/senate committee. A lengthy process.

Old Business/ Action Items-

Patti McCall could not be here, but passed on to Beth that the 2 sentinel wells have been sampling at non detect. Dan Hamel said that the sampling has not been submitted to him yet, and when it does he will add it to the database.

Rita Loch-Caruso is going to their annual meeting at Yale and will have an update next month. She asked if there was anything from CARD for her to take to the meeting, open offer to relay anything, to please email her. Heather did not join us and we had her on the Agenda to ask about members to join her in a forum in July. She will have to email the group if she wants to discuss this further.

Kathy Knol said that the intervenors have until June 30th to file their complaints or they would be dismissed from the case. Scio has met with their attorneys and she cannot discuss this further, just that if there is anything new, it will be known in the next month (about the intervenor's intentions).

Mike Moran updated us on the next round of AA Township testing. The Board has requested testing of 24 homes around the Blueberry Lane homes. Tetra Tech reviewed and letters have gone out to the homeowners for permission to test.

KOC Proposal will be on the Planning Commission Agenda for next Monday's PC meeting and Roger will be speaking. Larry Lemke has been asked to review the applicant's proposal for this plan, as the applicant never did the hydrogeologic study that Planning had asked them to do. Roger evaluated the testing and well depths that have been done in this area, and disagrees with what the petitioner stated that the 1,4 dioxane is (only) in the deep aquifers. Jack mentioned that he FOIA'd the City of A2 and their water agreement with Scio Twp and that this is outside the water supply area from municipal water and the developer is telling the Scio Board that this is in the supply area in the agreement with the City of Ann Arbor.

Kathy Knol told us that the City of Ann Arbor has formed a Water Focus group Advisory committee to look at updating the city's surface water intake plan and to update the wellhead protection plan. The Gelman issue has been discussed, as PFAS. She will try to keep us updated. There are many technical experts in the group.

Rita Loch-Caruso and James D'Amour are working on the Bylaws and we have distributed a copy to all members to review before we vote. We will discuss it at the August meeting and see if anyone has an opinion. We will then send an email out to the eligible voters to let them have a 7 day window to vote by email.

Chair Updates-

[06/06/2023 Chair Notes](#)

Roger discussed the KOC issue and elaborated on the above discussion about aquifers and properties near with 1,4 dioxane present. He sent an email to the Planning Commission and will speak Monday night. It's hard when planners and developers try to ignore the Gelman site and issue. Anyone making decisions anywhere near this plume needs to consider the 1,4 dioxane plume and not ignore the "Elephant in the Room". How much of the outside water they

want to bring in and then release the sewer into the environment and affect the flow of the plume. He showed us the Wellhead Protection area.

Roger showed us all the modeling and cross sections that we currently have and the data that is missing for this area. We really don't know how the dioxane got where it is moving. It's like the spaghetti modeling done by Larry Lemke. Nobody expected a mile north of the plume to become contaminated this quickly.

Roger gave us some new information, in the above "Chair Notes" link.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:53 AM

Minutes compiled by Beth Collins, CARD secretary