

Environmental Laboratory Advisory Committee (ELAC) FINAL Meeting Minutes February 11, 2021

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Administrative Business:

The meeting was called to order at 9:36am by ELAC Chair, Rose Koplin (Accredited Analytical Resources, Inc.), Meeting minutes were taken by Steve Witkowski (New Jersey Analytical), ELAC secretary. This meeting was held via Microsoft Teams.

The January ELAC Meeting Minutes were approved with a motion by Harvey Klein (Garden State) and seconded by Steve Reduker (IAL).

Environmental Laboratory Certification Program (ELCP): Rachel Ellis (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

The NJDEP is currently working remotely as well as shift staggering in the office. The main phone line is still open and can handle any calls.

Lab renewals will be out next week, and the website will be updated with the new documents.

Alkalinity and Ignitability have been updated, information to be included in renewal packages.

Questions on the certification program should be directed to Rachel Ellis at rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov .

Rule Amendment: Rachel Ellis (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

No Update

Proficiency Test (PT) Program: Rachel Ellis (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

January DW and Air studies are open with results due to OQA by 3/5/2021 (DW) 3/19/2021 (Air).

NPW and SCM letters are out with results due to OQA by 6/11/2021.

PT study dates are on the OQA website.

TNI Labs are reminded of new FoPT taking effect 3/1 and TNI labs must follow all fields even if not included on the NJ list

Questions on the proficiency testing program should be directed to Rachel Ellis at rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov.

The NELAC Institute (TNI):

The meeting dates for the January conference have been changed, see the TNI website for details. It is anticipated that the webinars will be recorded for later viewing.

Check the TNI website for additional information http://www.nelac-institute.org/.

Division of Water Supply/Safe Drinking Water:

EPA 533 is acceptable for submission to E-2 for PFAS. Updated E-2 quick reference guide to be released shortly.

Field blanks will be required for PWTA PFAS testing. BSDW will work on a FAQ document for PWTA

Questions on the Drinking Water Program may be emailed to Kelly Meccia <u>Kelley.Meccia@dep.nj.gov</u> or Joanna Caporossi <u>joanna.caporossi@dep.nj.gov</u>

Site Remediation & Waste Management Program (SRWMP):

The remediation standards are now with the commissioner for review and then will be passed to the governor.

Vapor intrusion technical guidance to be issued soon.

ELAC members are encouraged to review the documentation provided regarding NJDEP Draft Attainment of Remediation Standards and Site-Specific Criteria and forward any comments to her by 2/23.

Questions on the SRWMP program may be emailed to Greg Toffoli (NJDEP-SRWMP) at greg.toffoli@dep.nj.gov.

New Business:

It is anticipated that ELAC meetings will be virtual for the foreseeable future.

EDD Subcommittee

No updates, continued background programming being done. This committee will be placed on hold for the time being until the NJDEP-SRWMP-BIS department notifies the ELAC committee of any changes.

Questions and comments may be directed to Ken Liao (NJDEP-SRWMP-BIS) at ken.liao@dep.nj.gov

Communications / OQA Website:

The OQA Website is up to date.

<u>Meeting Schedule</u>: The Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 am with a motion by Steve Reduker (IAL) and seconded by Nick Straccione (EMSL). The next scheduled ELAC Meeting will be held on **March 11, 2021 at 9:30am**, via Microsoft Teams. **Those planning to attend must email the ELAC Chair or secretary.**

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