

COMMUNITY ADVISORY GROUP
BoRit Asbestos Area
Ambler / Upper Dublin /Whitpain, Pennsylvania

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Mr. Francisco Cruz
Community Involvement Coordinator
United States Environmental Protection Agency - Region III
1650 Arch Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

RE: Request for TASC Support

Dear Francisco,

As discussed during our last several public meetings, the BoRit Asbestos Area Community Advisory Group (CAG) requests support from the Technical Assistance Services for Communities (TASC) program as follows:

- An independent review of remediation techniques and technologies that have been utilized at other large, asbestos contaminated sites (particularly Superfund sites). If possible, the literature review should provide summary tables that describe the evaluations of each technology and technique compared to USEPA standards and other criteria.
- A non-advocacy, educational presentation to the CAG on how these techniques and technologies are relevant to future remediation actions at BoRit. The presentation should be focused around assisting the CAG in formulating well-informed comments throughout the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) process. It would be helpful if it also explained the importance of obtaining accurate sampling data and how such data should be interpreted.

A clear majority of the CAG believes this kind of review and education would provide our community with a realistic framework for understanding potential and realistic remediation outcomes. Further, we believe that the information will encourage members to keep an open mind as we move forward in the RI/FS process. In short, the support requested will enable us to participate in a more informed way and should foster more trusting relationships amongst all of the CAG members.

If this request is approved, we suggest that the assigned TASC consultant work directly with the CAG's Remediation/Removal and Monitoring (R/R&M) Workgroup, which is led by Eric Lindhult.

On behalf of the entire CAG and the communities we represent, thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

/s/
Bob Adams
CAG Co-Chair

/s/
Fred Conner
CAG Co-Chair