

27 July 2018

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**RE:** Biweekly Project Summary

**Monitoring Well Installation and Sampling** 

**Durham Meadows Superfund Site** 

**Durham, Connecticut** 

Contract No.: W912WJ-18-C-0012

Dear David,

This letter report serves as our Biweekly Project Summary of project activities completed during the period 16 July to 27 July 2018 at the Durham Meadows Superfund Site, Durham, Connecticut (**Figure 1**). These tasks were completed by KOMAN Government Solutions LLC (KGS) as part of the Monitoring Well Installation and Sampling project being completed under Contract No. W912WJ-19-C-0012.

#### **MOBILIZATION**

KGS mobilized to the site on 16 July 2018. During the week of 16–19 July 2018, a staging area was established at 281 Main Street, Durham and constructed in support of the planned drilling program (**Figure 2**). A staging area plan showing features of the staging area is attached as **Figure 3**. Completed tasks including construction of a privacy wood stockade fence along Main Street, installation of a perimeter chain-link security fence and gate, construction of a crushed stone driveway to reduce tracking of mud onto local streets, installation of an electrical service and delivery of support equipment including an office trailer, furniture, sanitary facilities, a dumpster, and containers for Investigation-Derived Waste (IDW) that will be generated during the monitoring well installation program. Photographs of the staging area are included in the attached Photo Log.

Silt fencing and hale bale installation at locations MW-1, MW-2, MW-3 and MW-6 was completed on 24 July. Up to 50 linear ft of wetlands protection was installed at each location. No wetlands protection measures are deemed necessary at the remaining locations.

Cascade Drilling mobilized to the site on 23 July 2018. The test boring contractor moved one sonic drilling rig and support equipment to the site. A second drill rig mobilization is planned for late July or early August to accelerate the drilling program. The subcontractor constructed a lined decontamination facility at the staging area for washing of drill tooling between individual boring locations. Drilling supplies and equipment are stored in the staging area as a central location.

Prior to mobilization to the drilling location each day, a tailgate Health and Safety briefing is held to discuss job progress, and any safety concerns that KGS or the subcontractors may have identified while completing work.



#### **BOREHOLE ADVANCEMENT**

The drilling program commenced on 24 July 2018. Due to the availability of only one sonic rig, it was determined that borings would be completed through the overburden soils and permanent casing installed, whereupon the rig would move to the next location. This approach allows the grout securing the permanent casing in bedrock to set adequately and avoids time consuming changing of the tooling on the drill rig necessary to drill bedrock between boreholes. Bedrock drilling will commence when a second drill rig becomes available and is mobilized to the site.

Borehole MW-10 (**Figure 2**) was initiated on 24 July. The borehole was completed at a depth of 80 feet below ground surface (bgs). Overburden soil was observed to be silty clay to clay from ground surface (0 ft) to approximately 30 ft bgs. There was no recovery of overburden material from 30 ft to 50 ft bgs. A fine sand was identified at 50 ft bgs, transitioning to glacial till after 60 ft bgs until 75 ft bgs, when bedrock was encountered. Bedrock was identified as a red sandstone/conglomerate. No significant photoionization detector (PID) readings were recorded for the overburden during advancement of the boring. No sheens, odors, staining or other evidence of contamination were observed during the drilling. The permanent 6 in. dia. casing was installed to a depth of 80 ft (5 ft into bedrock). The permanent casing in MW-10 was grouted into bedrock on 25 July. This location is now ready for bedrock drilling.

The drill tooling was decontaminated between boreholes at the staging area. Borehole MW-1 was started on 25 July and advanced to depth of 90 ft bgs. Overburden material was silty clay transitioning to a fine sand and clay. No significant photoionization detector (PID) readings were recorded for the overburden during advancement of the boring. No sheens, odors, staining or other evidence of contamination were observed during the drilling. Depth to bedrock was noted at 85 feet bgs. Bedrock was identified as a massive red sandstone, fine grained, unfractured, fresh, competent, solid core recovery 97%. The permanent 6 in. dia. casing was installed to a depth of 90 ft (5 ft into bedrock). Casing at MW-1 was grouted into bedrock. This location is now ready for bedrock drilling.

The drill tooling was decontaminated between boreholes. Borehole MW-6 was started on 27 July and advanced to depth of 33 ft bgs where solid bedrock is believed to have been encountered at the end of the day. This depth to bedrock is significantly shallower than the depth to bedrock encountered in the previous fairground well locations. No sheens, odors, staining or other evidence of contamination were observed during the drilling. Depth to bedrock at this boring location will be confirmed and the permanent casing installed on Monday, 30 July.

# WATER USAGE AND INVESTIGATION-DERIVED WASTE (IDW)

The Town of Durham has supplied a potable water supply at the fairgrounds in support of the drilling operation. As of 27 July, approximately 2,300 gallons of potable water has been used during the drilling of the overburden soils.

IDW generated during the drilling is consolidated and stored at the staging area in a frac tank and roll-off container. There is no evidence of contamination of soil or water at this time. The IDW will be tested, profiled, and disposed accordingly during the course of the project.

A total of eleven (11) 55-gallon drums of drill soil cuttings have been consolidated in the roll-off container for disposal. In addition, 1,155 gallons of drill water and decon water have been stored in the frac tank at the staging area.



### **DELAYS AND SCHEDULE DEVIATIONS**

At this time, there have been no significant delays or schedule deviations. There have been no reported accidents or other health and safety incidents on the job.

Depth to bedrock in the fairground boreholes completed to date has been greater than originally estimated. This increased depth requires additional steel casing to be secured. Cascade drilling has ordered additional casing in support of the project. A delay associated with securing additional casing is not expected. Due to rig delays on another job, Cascade Drilling is actively seeking out a second drilling rig to mobilize to the Durham project. This will allow bedrock drilling to be initiated on the fairgrounds boreholes.

### FIELD ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR THE FOLLOWING TWO WEEKS

Due to unforeseen circumstances on an unrelated Cascade drilling project, a second drill rig is not yet available to support the Durham Meadows project. Cascade is actively seeking out a second drill rig and formulating an approach and solution such that the Durham project schedule is not impacted. One approach being considered is to supply a mini-sonic drill rig capable of drilling overburden, but not deep bedrock drilling, to work ahead of the current sonic rig. The existing sonic rig would then be retooled to drill bedrock at the fairgrounds locations.

A two week look ahead schedule is attached. The schedule is dependent on the availability of drilling equipment and is subject to change.

Sincerely,

KOMAN Government Solutions, LLC

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Project Manager

## **Attachments**

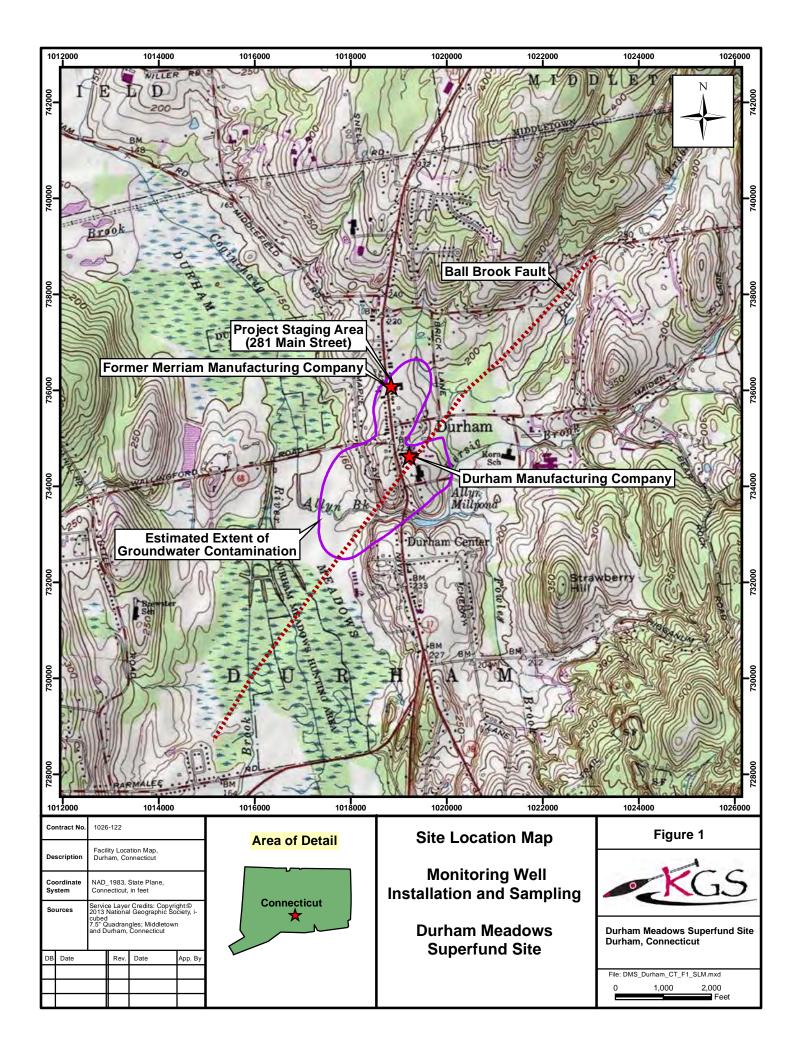
Figure 1 – Site Location

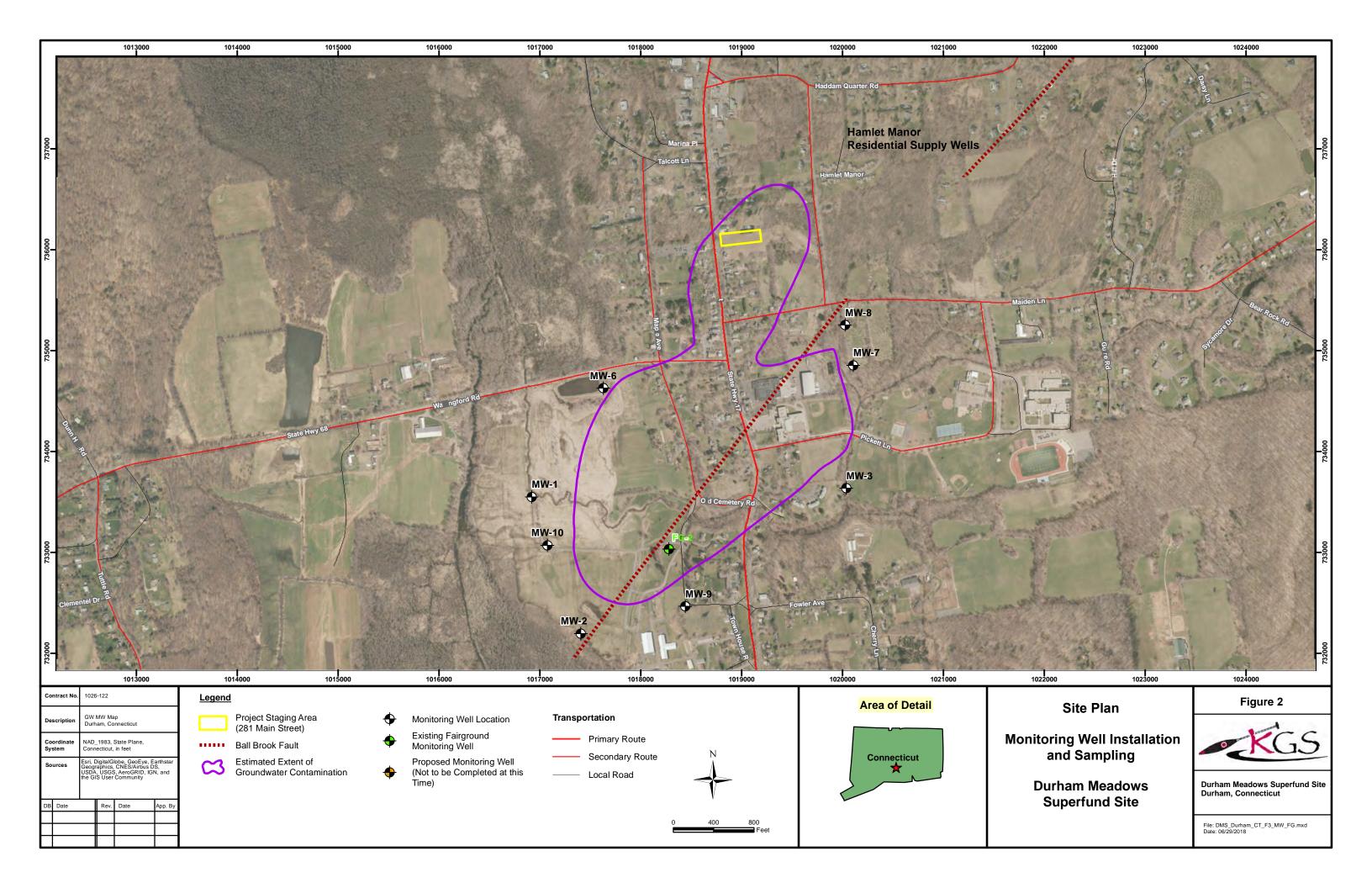
Figure 2 – Site Plan

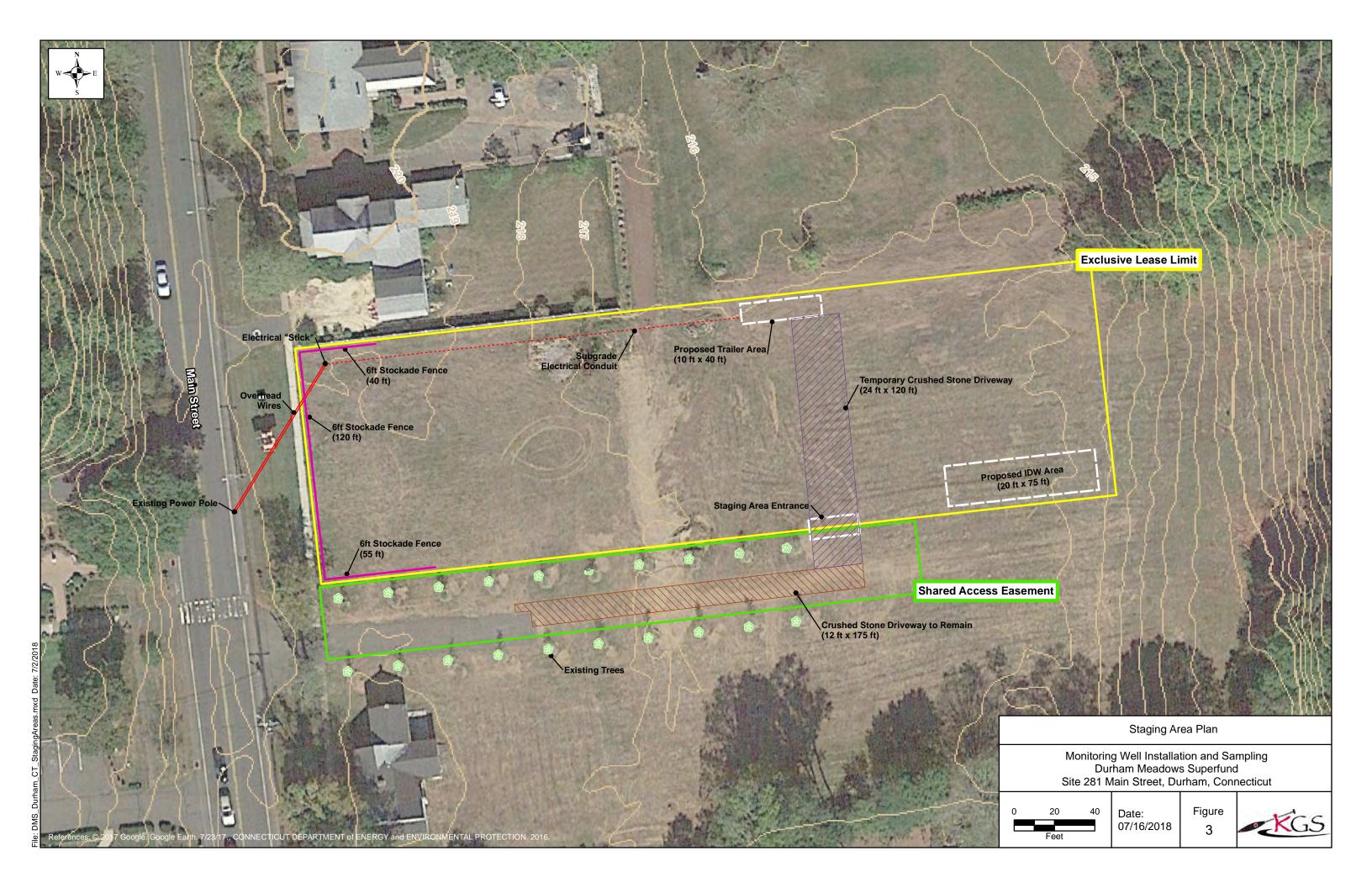
Figure 3 – Staging Area Plan

Two Week Look Ahead Schedule – (subject to change)

Photo Log







# Two Week Look Ahead Schedule Monitoring Well Installation and Sampling Durham Meadows Superfund Site, Durham, CT

MW Location	Activity	Staff	Equipment	Comments	7/23/2018	7/24/2018	7/25/2018	7/26/2018	7/27/2018	7/28/2018	7/29/2018	7/30/2018	7/31/2018	8/1/2018	8/2/2018	8/3/2018	8/4/2018	8/5/2018	8/6/2018	8/7/2018	8/8/2018	8/9/2018	8/10/2018	8/11/2018	8/12/2018	8/13/2018
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MW-10	Set surface casing	Brett	Rig 1			Χ	Χ																			
MW-1	OB drilling, set casing	Brett	Rig 1				Χ	Χ																		
MW-6	OB drilling, set casing	Brett	Rig 1						Χ			Χ														
MW-9	OB drilling, set casing	Kevin	Rig 1										Х	Χ												
MW-2	OB drilling, set casing	Kevin	Rig 1												Χ	Х										
MW-10	Bedrock drilling	Brett	Rig 2																Χ	Χ						
MW-10	Borehole grab samples	Brett	Rig 2																		Χ					
MW-10	Install transducer	Brett	Rig 2																		Χ					
MW-3	OB drilling, set casing	Kevin	Rig 1																Χ	Χ						
MW-1	Bedrock drilling	Brett	Rig 2																			Χ	Χ			
MW-1	Borehole grab samples	Brett	Rig 2																				Χ			
MW-1	Install transducer	Brett	Rig 2																				Χ			
MW-7	OB drilling, set casing	Kevin	Rig 1	If access available																	Χ	Χ				
MW-8	OB drilling, set casing	Kevin	Rig 1	If access available																			Χ			Χ

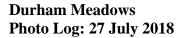




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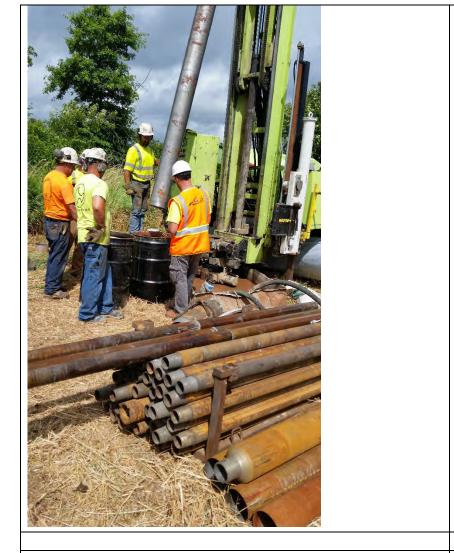


Trench for underground electric service.

**Project Field Office** 



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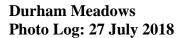
Containerizing overburden cuttings - MW-10.

Water Collection MW-10.





Drilling overburden with 9-inch temporary casing - MW-10.







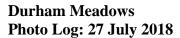
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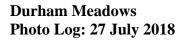
Soil drill cuttings consolidation in Staging Area roll-off container.





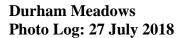


Silt fence and hay bale installation - MW-1.













Overburden Drilling - MW-6.