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+ Tonight's Meeting Goals

- Select membership for the McLouth Steel Superfund Site Community Advisory Group (CAG)
- Review other process components
- Brainstorm Workplan for next few months



Meeting Guidelines

Please follow these throughout the meeting so we can achieve the most productive outcomes

Be Concise

Be Constructive

Be Respectful



Development of CAG - Process to Date

- CAG Overview Workshop – Nov 14
 - Overview of EPA Superfund and Community Involvement, McLouth Site, and Community Advisory Groups (CAGs)
 - Initial community input on membership, selection, issues, groundrules, and communications

- CAG Development Workshop – January 23
 - Review from meeting 1
 - Presentation of draft approaches for forming CAG
 - Public input



CAG Membership

- The CAG is comprised of **representatives** of relevant jurisdictions, community stakeholders and residents, and other institutional stakeholders with a stake in the Site, with the goal of ensuring **broad, diverse representation** from communities with an interest in the Site.
- The CAG seeks **diversity of background, interests, and skill sets** among members. Relevant desirable attributes include a commitment to the process, communication skills, critical thinking skills, pertinent technical expertise, and representation of affected communities.



CAG Membership

- 15 -20 members, including from the following seats:
 - Jurisdictional and Civic Organization Representatives, selected by their officers / constituents:
 - Representatives of Trenton, Riverview, and Grosse Ile (3 seats, selected by officials)
 - Representatives from Trenton Brownfields Authority and Riverview Brownfields Authority (up to 2 seats, selected by authorities)
 - Representative from Trenton Visionaries (1 seat, selected by members)
 - Gross Ile Nature and Land Conservancy (1 seat, selected by members)
 - Gross Ile Civic Association (1 seat, selected by members)
 - Friends of the Detroit River (1 seat, selected by members)
 - Downriver Walleye Federation (1 seat, selected by members)
 - Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge/International Wildlife Refuge Alliance (IWRA) (1 seat, selected by members)
 - Additional Interests, selected by participants at public meeting, and later by existing CAG
 - Past Employees of McLouth Steel (1 seat)
 - Abutters (1-2 seats)
 - Trenton Business Association (1 seat)
 - Up to 5 additional Trenton, Riverview, Gross Ile residents or businesses who can represent a constituency that is not otherwise represented



Participant Criteria

- All Members should:
 - Represent a constituency that is affected by the clean up (rather than an individual who represents just him or herself), and interests that improve the balance among various stakeholder groups on the CAG
 - Availability and willingness to attend monthly meetings, do background reading and preparation, and participate actively in discussions.
 - Willing and able to participate constructively in the meetings, thoughtfully listen to and voice public and constituent perspectives, engage in respectful, good-faith dialogue with other members of the group, seek to bridge gaps in understanding, and seek creative resolution of differences
 - Act as liaison with their constituencies, neighborhoods, or groups, to bring concerns and information to meetings and help ensure constituents and the public are kept informed and involved in site information and CAG efforts

Stakeholder Category	Name	Nominated?
City of Trenton	Jim Wagner	✓
City of Riverview	Councilman Dean Workman	✓
Grosse Ile Township	Russell Bodrie, Fire Marshall	✓
Trenton Brownfields Authority (?)		
Riverview Brownfields Authority	Brian Webb, CEO	✓
Trenton Visionaries	Nicole Tank / (Wendy Pate)	✓
Gross Ile Nature and Land Conservancy	Doug Thiel, Board member	✓
Gross Ile Civic Association	Greg Karmazin, Bill Heil alternate	✓
Friends of the Detroit River	In progress	
Downriver Walleye Federation		
Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge/International Wildlife Refuge Alliance (IWRA)		
Past Employees of McLouth Steel		
Abutters	(Robert V Johnson)	
Trenton Business Association		
Up to 5 additional Trenton, Riverview, Gross Ile residents or businesses who can represent a constituency that is not otherwise represented	Ryan Stewart Judith Maiga Dennis O'Brien Mary Bohling Paul Frost	



Proposed Selection Process for Non-Nominated Seats

- Applicants present themselves to those assembled, describe how they meet the criteria, and answer any questions
- Small group discussions at tables:
 - Do the applicants meet the criteria?
 - Do they represent the full diversity of interests in the site?
 - As a whole, do they provide a balance of voices and perspectives? Are any perspectives over-represented?
 - Any voices missing (not currently allocated seats) and how to reach out?
- Full group discussion
- Decision-making - Seek consensus



What if we have too many applicants for the At-Large seats?

Options:

- Add institutional seats (group with members, meetings, and relevant interest)
 - Ex, Detroit River Public Advisory Council (DR PAC)
- At-large applicants sit together to see if they might share enough similarities in perspective with someone else to step back, or to propose primaries and alternates
- Rotating community membership
- Other ideas



City of Trenton – Jim Wagner, Economic Development Coordinator

Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders	As both a former Mayor, City of Wyandotte 1979-1987 and as City Administrator of the City of Trenton 2011-2017, I have dealt with 3 hazardous waste sites, and I believe that I have more than the basic knowledge of the issues pertaining to Hazardous waste/Brownfield sites. In Wyandotte, I dealt with the 40 acre site located across from the Wayne City sewage plant in addition to the issue at GASF South Works, when it was closed in 1980. In both positions, I held a fiduciary responsibility to protect the interest of the citizens and the environment of both communities.
Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate	As a semi-retired person, currently acting as Economic Development Coordinator for the City of Trenton, this would come under one of my responsibilities
Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully	I believe my prior experience and exposure to the situation brings a wealth of knowledge as well as historical background that would benefit the group as a whole. Further, I believe most of the general public are not fully cognizant of the many issues that, not only confronts the elected officials of the City of Trenton, but County, State and Federal agencies in trying to alleviate the environmental and legal issues at this site.
Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	I stand ready and willing to participate in making the general public aware of issues and concerns, as well as the effort of all levels of government to make this property safe for the public.
Other special qualifications or interests	Involved with EPA, MDEQ (EGLE) and County in negotiations to obtain PPA for site redevelopment. Current Chairman of Downriver Community Conference Brownfield. Former member of EPA region V Great Lakes Advisory Board 2013-2016 appointed by Gina McCarthy, Director of EPA. (did not seek reappointment). Experience as a Mayor and City Administrator of local communities downriver.



City of Riverview – Dean Workman, Council Member

Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders	I have been involved with this issue since 2003 as the City Manager of Riverview and Riverview Council Member.
Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate	Council Member for the City of Riverview
Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully	As a member of our council I will be communicating CAGs information and views to my fellow Council Members and our community.
Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	Because of my position, I have access to all Public and closed session meetings in our community. I also have access to our cable TV and community on systems.
Other special qualifications or interests	I was the City Manager of Riverview at the beginning of the McClouth Steel / Riverview Trenton Railroad and site clean up and am concerned about the impact on our community.



Grosse Ile Township – Russell Bodrie, Fire Marshal

Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders	For the last ten years I have served as the Fire Marshal for Grosse Ile Township. I have been a member of the Grosse Ile Fire Department for 24 years. Prior to my appointment as Fire Marshal, I was owner of Shear-Weld corporation. We specialized in heavy commercial construction which included Mid- and high-rise buildings, as well as bridges.
Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate	I will be available to attend monthly meetings. I am available to do background reading between rescues and fires. When appropriate I will participate in discussions.
Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully	Cool heads prevail, I have learned this during emergencies time and time again.
Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	My job as Fire Marshal requires that I report to the Township as well as attend township meetings, and help educate the public.
Other special qualifications or interests	25 years as owner of Shear-Weld which included many heavy commercial construction projects.



Riverview Brownfields Authority – Brian Webb, CEO

<p>Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders</p>	<p>The directors and members of the City of Riverview Brownfield Authority unanimously nominated me as their representative to the McLouth Steel Superfund Community Advisory Group. As the CEO of the BRA, I have worked with other business owners in Riverview to help assure that the interests of both the business owner's and Riverview resident's are considered in Riverview's brownfield redevelopments. As a member of the CAG, I will work to bring the concerns of Riverview residents forward to all involved parties, making sure there's a balance so that the interests of one party is not overwhelmingly represented.</p>
<p>Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate</p>	<p>My willingness to attend monthly meetings is not a problem. I participate regularly in meetings for the following Riverview commissions: Board of Review, Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, Economic Development Corporation, Community Neighborhood Watch. I attend quarterly meetings for the Environmental Justice Academy. I also attend regular meetings as the co-chair for the 501c3 Be Well My Friends. All aforementioned meetings require background reading, preparation and participation. I excel in critical thinking, having a recent B.S. degree with highest honors in Information Systems and a specialization in Project Management.</p>
<p>Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully</p>	<p>My current job is in IT management for a very large multi-national corporation. The team that I lead is a virtual team comprised of employees in Canada, the U.S. and Mexico. I've had cultural sensitivity training to learn how to more effectively work with my colleagues in Mexico and my counter-parts in Asia, Romania and Germany. Leadership development is taken very seriously by my employer. I work constantly with a world-renowned leadership coach, attend annual leadership training and work on my own to learn techniques to improve my leadership skills. On a daily basis, as a member of a virtual, multi-cultural team, I must work constructively in meetings, listen thoughtfully, voice perspectives of those I lead, engage in respectful dialogue, seek to bridge gaps in understanding and provide resolutions of differences.</p>



Riverview Brownfields Authority – Brian Webb, CEO

Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	The members of Riverview's BRA unanimously nominated me without having entered my own name into the voting. I received nomination replies with comments like "Brian, I have to agree that you would be the best candidate. I know you have a lot on your plate, but you have been more involved and know more than the rest of us about this project" and "This a great idea. Brian, I can't imagine anyone who will be a better candidate than you! If you are willing to take this on, then I nominate Brian Webb." These comments give me confidence that the people of my community respect and appreciate the efforts that I have made to make certain that the remediation at McLouth is done in a manner that is not detrimental to the health of the surrounding communities.
Other special qualifications or interests	The leadership development that I continually participate in for my employer has given me the skills to lead meetings based on inclusive agendas, facilitate open discussions, and to make certain everyone is heard and respected.--



Trenton Visionaries – Nicole Tank

Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders	I represent the residents that live by and use the waterfront for recreation.
Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate	Generally available for meetings.
Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully	Willing to listen to others and come up with solutions.
Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	Able to inform others via Facebook and social media.
Other special qualifications or interests	N/A

+ Trenton Visionaries – Wendy Pate

<p>Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I founded the Trenton Visionaries and Stakeholders Group in 2017 to raise the concerns we needed to to protect our city’s vision in the master plan, we built a core group that meets 1- 2 times a month, and have over 700 followers on our facebook page which we use to educate citizens not only about McLouth happenings, but also developments that build strong towns, and examples of such around the nation. I have been invited to several EPA meetings already, worked with Brian Kelley to hare concerns, understand the process, and ask questions that we could report back to residents in an unbiased way. - By creating that grass roots group, it led to my election, in which I came in first amongst four candidates, with 2900+votes, representing 67% of those who voted in the last election. That now makes me an “elected official councilperson” and mayor pro-tem status in 2 years. - I also live a few hundred feet/yards from the site, so I am a nearby resident who would be affected by the progress. I have attended city council meetings over the past 19 years and organized our neighborhood to also attend council and other city meetings to protect our neighborhood.
<p>Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate</p>	<p>I am retired and am pretty open/flexible for meetings, except first and third Monday nights.</p>
<p>Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully</p>	<p>I am a person who does the research and has presented a positive and cooperative, yet cautious attitude moving the project forward. I am typically the one in earlier EPA meetings that brought several questions to the table v others who were not prepared and had not reached out to citizens to know their concerns like I had. I have read all of the news and documents regarding the settlement agreement and cleanup plans..</p>
<p>Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies</p>	<p>I have already run a facebook page that has communicated to over 700 followers, squashing rumors, while providing education and documents. I am contacted regularly by media for opinions such as the Detroit Free Press, the Grosse Ile Grand, and the Trenton Trib. I have the ability to gather people, speak, and stay on focus.</p>
<p>Other special qualifications or interests</p>	<p>I am an advocate for citizens and my neighborhood. I am also on the Trail Town Advisory Committee and was a member of the City Beautiful Commission before being elected to council. I was endorsed by the Sierra Club and the UAW Region 1.</p>



Gross Ile Nature and Land Conservancy

– Douglas P. Thiel, Board Member

Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders	I am a 20 year Board member of the Grosse Ile Nature and Land Conservancy and have held the positions of President, Vice President and Secretary. I have been making presentations to church groups and to the general public about the McLouth Steel demolition, clean-up and potential threats to human health and the environment. I also write articles in our quarterly newsletter updating our membership on activities at the site. I update the GINLC Board on a monthly basis about the activities at the site at our Board Meetings.
Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate	I am available and willing to attend public meetings and do research on activities at the site as I have been doing over the past year or so.
Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully	Other members of the GINLC Board and the Trenton Visionairies can attest to my willingness and ability to participate constructively in meetings and voice GINLC perspectives about the site. My general philosophy is to engage in good-faith dialogue and seek creative resolution of differences in my professional career and volunteer meeting settings.
Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	As answered above, I am already making presentations and writing articles to the public on the on-going activities at the site and the future challenges of addressing the long-standing and complex contamination issues at the site.
Other special qualifications or interests	I had a 38 year career in environmental, health and safety. I was heavily involved in the remediation and reuse of the BASF South Works Site in Wyandotte. I have a Bachelors Degree in Wildlife Management and a Masters Degree in Occupational and Environmental Health at Wayne State University. I have environmental and Industrial Hygiene expertise in field sampling to quantify hazards to human health or the environment. I have provided written comments on behalf of the GINLC to EGLE regarding their draft work plans pursuant to the Corrective Action Consent Order with the Trenton-Riverview Railroad Company on the northern portion of the former McLouth Steel Corporation site.



Grosse Ile Civic Association – Greg Karmazin, Board Member

Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders

- I am a Member of the Board of Directors of the Grosse Ile Civic Association (GICA). I was nominated and approved by unanimous vote of the Board of Director as the main representative of the GICA for the McLouth Steel Site Community Action Group (CAG).
- In addition, GICA President Bill Heil was nominated and approved by unanimous vote of the Board of Director as the alternate representative of the GICA for the McLouth Steel Site CAG.
- I am also an Administrator for the GICA's Grosse Ile Civic Issues Facebook Page which has 2,287 followers in the community.

Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, & respectfully

I am very willing to participate constructively in meetings and seek to build consensus among citizens and all interested parties. I am a firm believer in the principle of majority rule in a democracy, but also feel it is essential to respect the rights of citizens with minority views.

Other special qualifications or interests

I have participated in meetings of the Trenton Visionaries & Stakeholders (TVS) group since the inception of the organization. Through the TVS, I have had the opportunity to build friendly relationships with residents in Trenton and Riverview who share the common interest of seeing the entire region collectively do more to improve the environment and promote desirable as well sustainable economic development that will create good paying jobs of the future. I am also a long-time member of the Friends of the Detroit River, and a donor to the Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge Alliance.

Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate

- I have undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. My undergraduate degree is a Bachelor of Arts with concentrations in Political Science and History. My Master's degree is Urban Planning.
- I have worked professionally in public policy, legislative government, community/government relations and commercial real estate. I have worked professionally on projects that are conceptually similar to the McLouth Steel site clean-up and redevelopment.
- I was a senior staff member in the Capitol Hill office for a Member of Congress from Northeastern Pennsylvania for much of the time period 1990 through 1999. In this position, I played a key legislative role in formulating a plan for the acquisition, clean-up and redevelopment of a 20,000 acre bankrupt coal company that negatively affected the land use and environment of more than 10 communities.
- As a Congressional staffer, I had significant interactions with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Department of Transportation, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the White House and other Federal government agencies on environmental, infrastructure and economic development projects in the Congressional District.
- This job required me to read and understand lengthy, complex technical reports, Federal government programs, Federal government regulations and Federal government statutes in order to be prepared to formulate policy options for the Congressman, and then implement his decisions.
- From 2000 through 2005, I had an executive position in a private industrial trade association based in Washington, D.C. comprised of leading geospatial technology companies. In this capacity, I worked with member company executives and government leaders to build consensus and establish "win-win" partnerships on public policy that benefited the industry and the nation.
- After living in Washington, D.C. for about 17 years, I moved back to Michigan and got married. During my community/government relations work for the Grosse Ile Bridge Company (GIBC) from 2006 through 2011, I interacted with all level of government to build consensus on issues of importance to the GIBC, citizens and local governments. In this position, I was also the primary spokesperson for the GIBC, and my work required explaining complicated technical and legal subjects to the media and general public.
- As a Board Member of the Grosse Ile Civic Association (GICA) since 2016, I have worked (as an unpaid volunteer as are all GICA Board Members) with the GICA Board to write and publish information intended to educate citizens and encourage engagement in community affairs. My role as an Administrator of the GICA's Grosse Ile Civic Issues Facebook Page requires protecting the delicate balance between free speech and civility as citizens discuss and, sometimes fiercely debate, community issues.



Grosse Ile Civic Association – Greg Karmazin, Board Member

Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Members of my family have lived on Grosse Ile since 1926. I have a deep knowledge of the history of residents, organizations and local government in the area. Like members of my family, I have been very involved in civic affairs over the years. I believe that my reputation, like the reputations of my family members over the decades, is very credible and positive in the community.• This is one of the main reasons that the owner of the Grosse Ile Bridge Company employed me from 2006 through 2011 to direct the company's efforts to improve communications and engagement with the community.• As I explained in my answer to the second question on this application, my efforts with the Grosse Ile Civic Association are fundamentally dedicated to helping to inform and educate citizens about key community issues. The clean-up and redevelopment of the McLouth Steel site is definitely one of the most important civic matters facing Trenton, Riverview and Grosse Ile as well as the broader Downriver community.

+ Grosse Ile Civic Association – G. William Heil, President (alternate)

Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders	President Grosse Ile Civic Association
Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate	I'm retired, so I have time. I've interest and ability to study, comprehend, evaluate and share comment
Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully	I attend meetings in the community now, and share comment. I live on Gibraltar Bay and have, in the past studied pollution issues, talked with state legislators about those studies, meet with DNR staff and learned and informed them. I've an undergraduate degree in Political Science with emphasis in Public Administration and Law; also an MBA
Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	I can listen, think and speak. I can listen, understand and participate in discussions among those with varying opinions and "stakes" in the game. I've had experience in telling business owners what the needed to hear, but didn't want to hear. (I sold commercial property and liability insurance for 22 years.
Other special qualifications or interests	See above



Abutters – Robert V Johnson

Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders	I live next to the site and have lived here for over 30 years. During my lifetime I have lived and worked in Grosse Ile, Wyandotte and Riverview. I have been involved with civic issues in all of the communities that i have lived in. Currently I am a member of the Trenton Beautiful Commission and am a cofounder of Community Grown Gardens on Grosse Ile. I communicate with my neighbors and many groups in all four cities.
Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate	I can do this
Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully	I have worked with and lead discussions in many local and statewide associations and unions.
Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	I have done and will continue to do so.
Other special qualifications or interests	I care about the issue. I have a chemistry degree. I have taught chemistry, biology and agriculture for over 40 years and feel I could help people understand the issues here.



At-Large – Ryan Stewart

Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders	I ran in the 2019 election for Trenton of mayor and received 20% of the vote, with my major platform being centered around the McLouth Steel site clean up and redevelopment. I am 30 years old, and represent a smaller constituency of younger individuals within the community that are new parents or will soon be, and that are interested in raising a family in the community. I have a background in social work, and corporate sales and marketing, and I took several environmental law courses in my undergraduate coursework.
Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate	I am wholly able to regularly attend these sessions and have the time and interest to make sure I am fully prepared for each session.
Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully	I have had work and personal experience in a broad range of groups that, in many instances, have different priorities and motivations. I think it's important to work to build consensus, while also working to understand that each core constituency has differing needs and priorities. Mediating these needs and working to compromise, while also interpreting priorities and goals into language that differing viewpoints can understand is a critical skill I would bring to the group.
Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	I have a Facebook page from my mayoral candidacy that has several hundred interested followers, and I am regularly contacted by community members for updates as to the status of the remediation and redevelopment of the property.
Other special qualifications or interests	Certified Grant Writer (if group is to seek a technical assistance grant)



At-Large – Judith Maiga

Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders	Have been actively involved in driving local communities to propose (and pass) resolutions in opposition to any development of the site that create harm to local residents and/or the environment; drafted and circulated a petition signed by over 1200 local residents in opposition to the establishment of an intermodal shipping port on the cleaned up location and created a FB Page "Preserve and Protect Downriver" to continue to inform local citizens of events taking place in regard to this crucial issue. As Vice President of the New Grosse Ile Democratic Club, proposed and received unanimous consent on the passing of a resolution in opposition to an intermodal shipping port on the cleaned up location.
Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate	I work part time remotely from my home and have as strong interest in this issue as well as the time to devote to educating myself fully on it.
Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully	I have been a member of countless organizational groups and committees through the years, run a PTA as president for 11 years and pride myself on my organizational abilities as well as ways to effectively communicate. I believe it's important to listen to all opinions of others present and to find ways to reach a solution that will benefit the most persons possible.
Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	I have a passion for the issue and the dedication and time to devote to ensuring that the clean up efforts best serve all downriver communities and have been successful in sharing information widely in the community through various groups and social media as well as being persistent with local government to bring attention to this issues and to other environmental issues in the past (pet coke storage.)
Other special qualifications or interests	Formal legal assistant; freelance copy writer; small business owner, lifelong volunteer and mother of three daughters whose world I would like to pass on in better shape than in it's now.



At-Large – Dennis O'Brien

Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders	I am a retired industrial hygienist and former university professor in environmental health
Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate	I can attend meetings except in the winter Jan-Mar when we are in Florida
Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully	I have served on OSHA and MIOSHA committees.
Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	I am retired but comfortable speaking in public.
Other special qualifications or interests	I've worked as an expert witness in asbestos cases



At-Large – Mary Bohling

Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders	I'm an educator with the MSU Extension Sea Grant Program (MISG), promoting the balanced use and enjoyment of the Detroit River and other Great Lakes waterways. I serve as chair of the Detroit River Public Advisory Council (DR PAC), overseeing clean-up efforts in the Detroit River Area of Concern. I also serve as co-chair of the Downriver Linked Greenways (DLG), a regional trail network that is under development along Jefferson Ave, immediately adjacent to the McLouth site. I represent a variety of stakeholders through these different roles.
Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate	I am able and willing to attend monthly meetings and prepare for them as needed.
Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully	I am able and willing to attend monthly meetings and prepare for them as needed.
Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	In the roles outlined above I am responsible for hosting bi-monthly meetings of the DR PAC and regular meetings with municipal and public stakeholders for DLG and MISG.
Other special qualifications or interests	I am also a founding board member of the International Wildlife Refuge Alliance and a board member of Friends of the Detroit River and an avid angler.



At-Large – Paul Frost

Represent an affected constituency and/or interests that improve the balance of stakeholders	I am the chairman of the DownRiver Waterfront Conservancy.
Availability & willingness to attend meetings, prepare, and participate	All of the above should not be a problem for me.
Willingness & ability to participate constructively, thoughtfully, and respectfully	I full understand and appreciate the value of the above statement.
Ability to act as liaison with your constituencies	As the chairman of DRWC I can do that.
Other special qualifications or interests	I have serves on TRENTON’s zoning board and am currently starting my twenty second year on the planning commission in Trenton.



Other Process Components

- CAG purpose
- Recommendation development protocols
- Role of the facilitator
- Issues to address
- Public involvement and information
- Ground rules
- Work plan and next steps



CAG Purpose

- The purpose of the CAG is to provide a way for members of communities and stakeholders potentially affected by the McLouth Steel Superfund Site to:
 - Receive and discuss up-to-date information regarding the site, including timeframes and action plans;
 - Get questions clearly answered in ways responsive to community priorities and needs;
 - Present and discuss their needs, concerns, and priorities related to the site;
 - Have their input seriously considered and addressed by EPA and EGLE in the agencies' oversight of the site; and
 - Encourage and promote transparency, disclosure and accountability of all parties involved.



CAG Purpose, continued

- The CAG is not a decision-making or regulatory body, and does not set policy or make decisions regarding project design and implementation. However, the CAG shall serve as a forum for information-sharing and providing input by:
 - Providing individual comments and suggestions to regulatory agencies;
 - Developing specific action items for follow-up at later meetings; and
 - Developing joint input and making recommendations as appropriate.



DRAFT Recommendations Development Protocols

- The CAG, to the extent possible, will operate by consensus.
- The CAG will make creative efforts to address and accommodate different needs in order to arrive at shared recommendations that all CAG members can live with. If a member disagrees with a proposal, he or she should make every effort to offer an alternative satisfactory to all members.
- On those issues or topics where consensus cannot be reached, the CAG will provide recommendations with the full range of options, delineating the advantages & disadvantages, and explaining the differences clearly, accurately, and fairly.



DRAFT Neutral Facilitation

- The Consensus Building Institute (CBI) will provide neutral facilitation to help oversee the process
- CBI will work with members and the EPA to draft and refine meeting agendas and summaries, facilitate meetings to stay on track, enforce ground rules, identify and synthesize points of agreement and disagreement, document agreements, and resolve differences
- The facilitator will be available to consult with parties confidentially, as needed
- The facilitator has no decision making authority or stake in outcomes
- CBI will behave impartially, meaning freedom from favoritism or bias, commitment to work on behalf of all parties



DRAFT Issues to Address

- Updates, explanations, timelines, input, and information – as appropriate - about planned and on-going clean-up activities on the Site
- Disclosure and explanation about level and types of pollution and contaminants on the site
- Discussion and education about cleanup standards, options, implications
- Discussion and information about investigation of contaminants on site
- Clarification of legal, regulatory, and technical constraints and opportunities
- Opportunities for engagement with site owners about redevelopment and reuse plans
- Relationship of Superfund to other related initiatives (ex, Area of Concern program, EGLE's oversight of Northern portion, etc)



DRAFT Public Involvement and Info

- Representation in CAG
- Quarterly updates at all City/Township council meetings
- Publicized public meetings of the CAG with public input opportunities
- Process Web site
- Social media presence
- EPA Press Releases
- Public Forums (at appropriate times)

+ DRAFT Ground Rules

- Members will treat each other with respect and refrain from personal attacks, in accordance with how they want to be treated.
- Meetings and deliberations will be transparent and public, and all CAG materials will be made available to the public.
- Members will participate consistently, actively, and constructively in meetings, helping to set agendas, identify issues for discussion, clearly communicate their concerns, interests and ideas and the reasons behind them, focus on the issues and avoid grandstanding,
- Members are free to make statements to the press regarding their own opinions, but not to attribute statements to others involved in the process or to speak for the group as a whole.



DRAFT Work Plan

- Hold monthly CAG meetings, ~2 hours in length.
 - 2nd Thursday of each month, 7 -9 pm
- Detailed work plan to be developed in coordination with CAG members and EPA
- All public meetings include an opportunity for public voice on the topics under discussion
- Information gathering and action items between meetings

+ Next Steps

- First CAG Meeting – March 12 7:00 – 9:00 pm
- Topics:
 - Confirm/Adjust Membership
 - Finalize Operating Protocols
 - Present Update and Timeline of Work on the Site
 - Gather Information Needs
 - Other topics?



Public Feedback

QUESTIONS & SUGGESTIONS