

Portland Harbor Superfund Site Collaborative Group
Cathedral Park Project Area Working Group
Wednesday, April 21, 2021 | Time: 6:15 – 8:00 p.m.

Action Items		
What	Who	When
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Complete Poll to schedule May Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poll link: https://www.needtomeet.com/meeting?id=dnidg3noV 	Everyone	By 5/5
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Upload Josie's 4/21 technical presentation (sampling decision unit updates and draft Quality Assurance Project Plan) on the PH Collaborative YouTube channel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Video Clip Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=peHPmEo1Oo4&t=23s 	Triangle	Complete
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Draft Communications Plan for educational activities based on feedback 	Laura	By May Meeting
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Check in on status of Cathedral Park Infographic (include as an ongoing item in working group meetings) 	Laura	Ongoing
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. WRAG provides comments/feedback to Josie Clark on QAPP 	Willamette River Advocacy Group (via their technical advisor)	By 5/3

April 21 Cathedral Park Working Group Meeting

The following Community Leaders attended this meeting remotely:

- *Alexander Lopez, Portland Harbor Community Coalition (PHCC)*
- *Amyl Freeberg, Willamette River Advocacy Group (WRAG)*
- *Barbara Quinn, Northwest Toxic Communities Coalition and Friends of Baltimore Woods*
- *Bob Sallinger, Portland Audubon*
- *Cassie Cohen, Portland Harbor Community Coalition (PHCC)*
- *Doug Larson, Portland Harbor Community Advisory Group (CAG)*
- *Laura Feldman, Willamette River Advocacy Group and Occupy St. Johns*
- *Matt Stein, Green Anchors*
- *(b) (6), Portland Harbor Community Coalition (PHCC) and the Braided Rivers Campaign (BRC)*
- *Sarah Taylor, BRC and the CAG*
- *(b) (6), Hollywood Senior Center*
- *Willie Levenson, Willamette River Human Access Project*

The following EPA staff attended this meeting remotely:

- *Laura Knudsen, EPA*
- *Josie Clark, EPA*

- *Caleb Shaffer, EPA*

The following DEQ staff attended this meeting remotely:

- *Franziska Landes, DEQ*

The following additional agency staff attended this meeting remotely:

- *Jessica Terlikowski, City of Portland*
- *Kyle Dehart, Portland Parks*

Welcome and Introductions

The Facilitator welcomed participants and shared the purpose and goals behind the Cathedral Park Project Area Working Group. The Facilitator briefly introduced existing members and new members shared their interest for joining the group.

An overview was then provided of the following:

- Map of the Cathedral Park Project Area
- April 17, 2021 Cathedral Park Beach Clean-up Summary by Willie Levenson
 - 75 volunteers removed 12 tons of concrete from the beach!
 - Future beach clean-ups will be announced
- March 23rd Recap
 - March 23, 2021 Slide Deck for Working Group:
<https://semspub.epa.gov/work/10/100312045.pdf>
 - March 23, 2021 High-Level Summary:
<https://semspub.epa.gov/work/10/100312049.pdf>
 - March 23, 2021 Video of Josie's Introduction to Incremental Sampling at the Cathedral Park Project Area:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4g4-1iEMMvo>
- Today's Agenda

Presentation (see [full presentation here](#))

Revisit EPA's Incremental Sampling Approach ([begins at 0:09](#))

Josie Clark, EPA, provided a brief recap shared at the March 23, 2021 meeting introducing EPA's incremental sampling approach in the Cathedral Park Project Area. Josie explained the following:

- The general concept and purpose behind incremental sampling methodology (ISM)
- The difference between discrete samples and incremental samples
- The definition of a decision unit
- Why ISM is the best approach at this site
- How ISM incorporates hot spots in the average data
 - If results from one area are higher than EPA expects that may indicate a hot spot, EPA will go back to that spot and do discrete sampling
- The overall process of analyzing incremental samples

Final Sample Area per March 23 Working Group Feedback ([begins at 3:24](#))

Based off feedback from the March 23 meeting regarding community usage at the Cathedral Park Beach, EPA shared their updated Sampling Decision Units, including:

- Incremental sampling at four decision units
 - 50 subsamples within each decision unit
- Additional Discrete sampling via riverbank cores and in-water sediment cores

Update: EPA's draft sampling plan (within the Quality Assurance Project Plan or QAPP) ([begins at 22:00](#))

Josie shared EPA's draft sampling plan found within the draft Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP). Josie explained the purpose behind the draft QAPP and highlighted different sections of the document. Josie clarified that this draft QAPP covers the Cathedral Park Project Area and the four unassigned areas where EPA is also performing initial remedial design sampling. This draft QAPP was shared with the Technical Coordinating Team (TCT) and the Willamette River Advocacy Group's (WRAG) technical advisor and comments are due to EPA by May 3rd.

Discussion: Educational Activity for the Cathedral Park Project Area

The Facilitator introduced the tentative timeline for an educational activity at the Cathedral Park Project Area. The Facilitator asked members to brainstorm:

- June/July In-Water Sampling: Video and photo collection ideas
 - Who would benefit most from seeing these videos and photos?
 - Where could/should EPA be sharing or posting these videos and photos?
- ~September Beach/Riverbank In-person Activity
 - Audiences
 - Goals
 - Potential activities

The Facilitator captured members' thoughts on a Mural Board. The Mural Board can be found [online here](#).

Summary and Next Steps

The Facilitator summarized the meeting action items which are captured in the table above. The Facilitator shared that OneDrive will be used for file sharing and explained how to access the folder.

The meeting was adjourned.