



Environmental Laboratory Advisory Committee (ELAC) FINAL Meeting Minutes April 11, 2024

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Administrative Business:

The meeting was called to order at 9:35am by ELAC Chair, Rose Koplin (Accredited) Meeting minutes were taken by Steve Witkowski (Pace). This meeting was held via Microsoft Teams.

The March ELAC Meeting Minutes were approved with a motion by Steve Reduker (IAL) and seconded by Nick Straccione (EMSL).

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

Renewals are currently being processed and will start to be mailed on 6/1

The department is getting personnel modifications with renewals, reminder that personnel change notifications must be made within 15 days of the change to avoid enforcement action.

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.

The rule amendments are being worked on and stakeholder meetings to be scheduled in the near future.

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

NPW is open, due 5/10

SCM is open, due 6/22

2024 PT dates are published on the OQA website.

<https://dep.nj.gov/dsr/oqa/proficiency-testing/>

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

The NELAC Institute (TNI):

The PFAS FoPT table is anticipated to take effect when the comment period ends on 5/16.

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

Division of Water Supply/Safe Drinking Water:

New MCL for PFAS published by USEPA, BSDW is evaluating implementation in NJ.

The E-2 QRH will need to be updated and fact sheet to be published.

Question on how the MCL change will affect PWTa, which is still to be determined.

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

Contaminated Site Remediation & Redevelopment (CSRR): Chelsea McGovern (NJDEP-CSRR) provided an update.

MCL for PFAS compounds for GW, looking at the DW rule.

Will the department propose a new rule or look into incorporating the new MCL into the current rule?

Questions on the CSRR program may be emailed to Greg Toffoli at greg.toffoli@dep.nj.gov. or Chelsea McGovern, Chelsea.mcgovern@dep.nj.gov

New Business:

Discussion on extraction options for TASCA samples.

EDD Subcommittee

No updates. 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:

ELAC website is currently up to date.

<https://dep.nj.gov/dsr/oqa/elac/>

The attached link can be followed to review SRAG meeting agendas and presentations.

https://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/srra/stakeholder/cvp_srag/

Meeting Schedule:

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:58 am with a motion by Steve Reduker (IAL). and seconded by Eileen Synder (Pace).

The next scheduled ELAC Meeting will be held on **May 9, 2024, at 9:30am**, via Microsoft Teams. **Those planning to attend must email the ELAC chair or secretary.**

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