



## Environmental Laboratory Advisory Committee (ELAC) FINAL Meeting Minutes May 9, 2024

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### **Administrative Business:**

The meeting was called to order at 9:33am by ELAC Chair, Rose Koplin (Accredited) Meeting minutes were taken by Steve Witkowski (Pace). This meeting was held via Microsoft Teams.

The April ELAC Meeting Minutes were approved with a motion by Eileen Synder (Pace) and seconded by Steve Reduker (IAL).

**Environmental Laboratory Certification Program (ELCP):** Katherine Thomas (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

Renewals are currently being processed and will start to be mailed on 6/1, Late renewals will not be processed on time.

Questions on the certification program should be directed to Rachel Ellis at [rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov](mailto:rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov).

**Rule Amendment:** Jenna Majchrzak (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

Stakeholder meetings have been scheduled, targeted implementation in summer of 2025.

**Proficiency Test (PT) Program:** Katherine Thomas (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](mailto:rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov).

### **The NELAC Institute (TNI):**

No Update

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

### **Division of Water Supply/Safe Drinking Water:**

NJ has 2 years to adopt rules complying with the USEPA MCL

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

Changes to PWTA will require rulemaking. Possibly will be done with PWS rulemaking.

Questions on the Drinking Water Program may be emailed to Kelley Meccia [Kelley.Meccia@dep.nj.gov](mailto:Kelley.Meccia@dep.nj.gov) or Joanna Caporossi [joanna.caporossi@dep.nj.gov](mailto:joanna.caporossi@dep.nj.gov)

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

Meeting to determine steps forward concerning the new USEPA PFAS MCL.

Discussion of a new rule of modification of the existing rule.

Discussion of the GWQS and how are labs dealing with sensitivity issues. What sensitivity is reasonable for the labs to achieve.

Evaluating if labs can meet the standard will help the labs. Chelsea to pass information along to Greg Toffoli.

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

### **New Business:**

The June ELAC will be in the afternoon (1pm) due to the stakeholder meeting in the morning of 6/13.

**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](mailto: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/](https://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/srra/stakeholder/cvp_srag/)

**Meeting Schedule:**

The Meeting was adjourned at 10:03am with a motion by Eileen Synder (Pace) and seconded by Steve Reduker (IAL).

The next scheduled ELAC Meeting will be held on **June 13, 2024, at 1:00pm**, via Microsoft Teams. **Those planning to attend must email the ELAC chair or secretary.**

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