

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE AND REMEDIATION
CERCLA BRANCH**

FY2011 END OF YEAR REPORT

- I. Maintain a partnership between Utah and EPA while implementing the Superfund program in Utah.

Measures:

- a. Participate in the biannual Region 8 State Superfund managers conferences.

STATUS: *DERR participated in the Region 8 Superfund managers meeting held in December 2010. This was the only Superfund managers meeting held during the fiscal year.*

- b. Encourage and participate in regular coordination meetings with Region 8 remedial program managers, at least every 2 months, to coordinate activities and discuss pertinent issues.

STATUS: *DERR and EPA Superfund managers generally held coordination calls on the third Wednesday of each month to discuss program and site specific issues.*

- c. Participate in monthly conference calls between directors of the State and EPA programs to coordinate activities and discuss pertinent issues.

STATUS: *Monthly calls between program directors were not held on a regular basis, but were held as needed.*

- d. Jointly organize and attend the annual retreat between EPA and State.

STATUS: *An annual retreat with EPA Region 8 Superfund managers and staff was held in November 2010. Training was provided to help those in attendance manage the Superfund Program through hard times. No retreat was conducted during Calendar Year 2011.*

- II. Continue to evaluate the groundwater solvent contamination problem in the Salt Lake City area and discuss potential solutions to the problems that are identified.

Measures:

- a. Continue to update the database of known groundwater solvent contamination problems in Utah.

STATUS: *This is done using the CERCLIS database managed by EPA. In addition, the DERR and EPA Site Assessment managers coordinated with each other throughout the year, as necessary, to review the status of such sites.*

- b. Identify the best ways to address the problems that are identified.

STATUS: *Solutions are identified on a site-by-site basis and in consultation between DERR and EPA Region 8 staff.*

III. Apply the Operating Principles in all work activities.

Measures:

- a. Discuss the Operating Principles frequently during coordination meetings.

STATUS: *A discussion of, and recommitment to, the Operating Principles was part of the annual DERR/EPA retreat in November 2010. The Operating Principles were also addressed during other DERR/EPA coordination meetings in the context of project planning and implementation.*

- b. Ensure all communications are consistent with the Operating Principles.

STATUS: *DERR regularly conducted all communications consistent with the Operating Principles.*

IV. Coordinate proposal of Utah sites to the NPL.

Measures:

- a. Regularly discuss the status of sites that are under consideration for inclusion on the NPL.

STATUS: *DERR and EPA Region 8 staff regularly communicated and coordinated on sites in the Superfund process being considered for inclusion on the NPL.*

- b. Evaluate potential NPL sites during bimonthly coordination meetings.

STATUS: *Site-specific discussions were held, as needed, as DERR and EPA coordinated NPL pre-listing activities.*

- c. Ensure thorough and comprehensive communication between the agencies for all sites that are under consideration for inclusion on the NPL.

STATUS: *Communications regarding activities for sites under consideration for NPL listing were often thorough and comprehensive.*

V. Encourage redevelopment of Superfund and Brownfields sites in Utah.

Measures:

- a. Encourage communities in Utah to participate in the Brownfields program and conduct Targeted Brownfields Assessments as requested by interested and eligible communities.

STATUS: *DERR conducted outreach activities directly to local governments as well as to government consortiums and trade groups in order to inform them of resources and services available to assist with Brownfields assessment, cleanup and redevelopment. Outreach was completed in part through the semi-annual DERR Brownfields newsletter. DERR also provided letters of support for proposals submitted from local governments for Assessment, Revolving Loan and Cleanup grants.*

- b. Participate in monthly Region 8 Brownfields Team teleconferences and meetings.

STATUS: *DERR participated in quarterly Region 8 Brownfields Team teleconferences and meetings. (Meetings are quarterly now instead of monthly.)*

- b. Attend the annual National and Western Regional Brownfields Conferences, as budgets allow.

STATUS: *DERR attended the annual National Brownfields Conference.*

VI. Enhance the Utah superfund Program, improve the State's and EPA's ability to conduct Superfund activities in Utah, and complete the EPA required accomplishments for FY2011.

Measures:

- a. Prepare and submit funding applications and subsequent cooperative agreements for enhancement of the State Response Program.

STATUS: *DERR continued to receive funding under the Superfund Block Cooperative Agreement for Management Assistance, Superfund Core, and Site Assessment activities. Cooperative agreement applications for State-lead Superfund projects were submitted, as needed, to support site-specific activities. DERR also submitted a request in 2011 for State and Tribal Response Program 128(a) funding through September 2012. Required reports were submitted to EPA for cooperative agreement funding.*

- b. Continue to develop the Utah Voluntary Cleanup Program and other State Response Programs.

STATUS: *DERR continued development of the Utah Voluntary Cleanup Program and other components of its State and Tribal Response Program using Section 128(a) funding.*

- c. Jointly develop and work to achieve the FY2011 Superfund Remedial Planned Accomplishments.

STATUS: *DERR and EPA Region 8 staff worked closely to achieve the planned accomplishments for the federal fiscal year.*