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From: Vranka, Joe [vranka.joe@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/24/2017 7:59:16 PM
To: Mylott, Richard [Mylott.Richard@epa.gov]; Moler, Robert [Moler.Robert@epa.gov]; Mutter, Andrew [mutter.andrew@epa.gov]; Coleman, Charles [COleman.Charles@epa.gov]; Griffin, Susan [Griffin.Susan@epa.gov]
CC: Murray, Bill [Murray.Bill@epa.gov]; Stavnes, Sandra [Stavnes.Sandra@epa.gov]; Smidinger, Betsy [Smidinger.Betsy@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Benny Goodman Park (Anaconda Smelter Site)
Attachments: Figure_4_Sampling_Results.pdf; Figure_5_Max Contamination Depth.pdf; Sample Results.pdf

I just did a quick calculation on the data from the 0-2" depth interval, where people could be exposed. The average arsenic value for all of the results from that depth interval across the park is 233 ppm, which is less than the 250 ppm cleanup level in the Record of Decision. For lead, the average in the 0-2" depth interval across the park is 352 ppm, which is less than the 400 ppm cleanup level in the 2013 ROD amendment. The data set generally supports EPA's decision to require ARCo to conduct sampling and cleanup for Lead and for Arsenic at depth. This screening data also supports the previous sampling for Arsenic that showed the average surface values to be less than the cleanup level for the park. We will be following up with Anaconda Deer Lodge County and the Atlantic Richfield Company to determine additional steps for evaluation and cleanup. Charlie is drafting some responses that we will circulate shortly for review.

Thanks,

Joe

-----Original Message-----
From: Mylott, Richard
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 1:15 PM
To: Moler, Robert <Moler.Robert@epa.gov>; Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>
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Subject: RE: Benny Goodman Park

Have we seen/verified county data? Unless we have been provided data, we should probably indicate concern but emphasize time needed to evaluate, ie. not today?

-----Original Message-----
From: Moler, Robert
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To: Mylott, Richard <Mylott.Richard@epa.gov>; Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>
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Subject: RE: Benny Goodman Park

Ditto, I am leaving in about an hour for annual leave and will not be back until next week. I'll talk with Charley and Joe and get the response drafting process going.

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-----Original Message-----
From: Mylott, Richard
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Subject: FW: Benny Goodman Park

Fyi, this looks significant, may need your help. I'm off tomorrow and this may require quick turns from HQ/ extend into tomorrow...

-----Original Message-----
From: Susan Dunlap [mailto:Susan.Dunlap@mtstandard.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 1:00 PM
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Subject: Benny Goodman Park

Hi Robert and Charlie,

I just talked to the county which shared w me their testing results on Benny Goodman park. The sand pit tested high in both arsenic and lead in the top 2 inches. Almost all the other spots tested hot in one or other metal at various depths.

I believe the park was tested before for arsenic - correct? And remediated - correct?

Is it concerning to EPA that children playing in a park, particularly in the sand box where they could have more easily been exposed, could have been exposed to both arsenic and esp lead?

Is it concerning to EPA that the park was cleaned and tested before and yet significant metals were missed even in the top 2 inches?

What is EPA's response to parents who trusted that EPA oversaw a proper cleanup of that park before?

The county went down to 18 inches. I believe you said, Charlie, that the new cleanup is only to 12 inches. What's your position on these last 6 inches?

Deadline end of working day.
Thanks!
Susan

Sent from my iPhone