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CAMU Application Status

- ◆ FMC submitted draft CAMU designation application to the Agencies March 27, 2008. Awaiting Agencies' review and response. FMC anticipates revision of the draft application based on Agencies' comments. Will be a public meeting/opportunity for public comment on any final application.

RFI/CMS Submissions Status

- ◆ RFI Report Vol. I - Background and Related Information submitted April 30, 2008. The Agencies provided comments by letter dated August 29, 2008. FMC submitted revised pages and received approval November 10, 2008 from Agencies. FMC will now proceed with preparation of hard copies of Volume I of RFI Report for formal submittal.
- ◆ Schedule for remaining RFI Report volumes –
 - Vol. II (Suspected Air Deposition Area So. of Erie Canal & West of Niagara Orleans County Line) - submitted August 11, 2008. The Agencies provided comments by letter dated October 15, 2008. [FMC requested a meeting to discuss which has been scheduled December 2-3, 2008.](#)
 - Vol. IV (Culvert 105 and Flood Zone) - submitted October 9, 2008
 - Vol. V (Tributary One and Flood Plain South of Pearson/Stone Roads) - to be submitted early December 2008.
- ◆ Schedule for remaining six RFI volumes submitted to Agencies July 31. Proposed schedule took into account the input from the CIG and Village officials.
- ◆ CMS Work Plan for suspected Air Deposition Area submitted April 30, 2008. Agencies provided comments to FMC by letter dated August 1, 2008. [FMC submitted draft responses and requested a meeting which has been scheduled December 2-3, 2008.](#)
- ◆ Corrective Action Objectives Consultation Meeting - FMC and Agencies met November 7, 2008 to discuss these as well as proposal for pilot CMS for Air Deposition Area 1.
- ◆ FMC has sent letters to 23 current owners of properties not sampled due to lack of access permission, offering to sample and advising that in the absence of sampling data, they would not be eligible for the new Home Value Assurance Program. [Three of these property owners initially responded positively to arrange sampling, but one subsequently has withdrawn. The two remaining properties are now scheduled to be sampled in spring 2009.](#)

Grant Applications Status

- ◆ Assisting the Village in organizing community member review panel to evaluate proposed work to be done with funds from the Main Street Grant.
- ◆ Awaiting update from County on progress of work on nine

sites throughout the Village included in the assessment program through the Niagara County Center for Economic Development.

- ◆ Sue Tauro and Village personnel drafting an application package for USDA Rural Development grant program to address Village's sewage treatment plant upgrades. [This application is targeted for submittal in January.](#)

ICM-related Activities Update

- ◆ Phase 2 ICM on FMC-owned N. Railroad property and remediation and restoration on two properties on Park Ave. which access could not be obtained and on a portion of the Wooded Parcel (Coe property) that could not be remediated in 2007 due to the roots of a large tree on an adjoining property have been completed.
- ◆ Some initial landscaping of 46 and 48 Park Ave. was completed this fall and the remainder will be done in early Spring 2009.
- ◆ FMC will replace sections of sidewalk along railroad gate entrance that were damaged by truck traffic during Phase 2 ICM.
- ◆ As discussed at a CIG meeting, lawns on Vernon Street (2003 ICM area) were aerated and over seeded the week of November 3, 2008.

2009 Soil Sampling Program

- ◆ Draft Addendum 2 to July 2004 Sampling Work Plan for area north of canal, east of county line submitted November 11, 2008. This further sampling was directed by the Agencies relative to potential air deposition of arsenic from historic operations. Letters and follow-up phone calls were placed to the owners of the properties north and east of canal where 2009 soil sampling has been proposed.

Phytoremediation Pilot Study Update

- ◆ FMC submitted revised pages to the Pilot Study work plan on June 20, 2008.
- ◆ Received initial study sample results from lab October 10. The data is being evaluated.
- ◆ Completed the sampling of the plants on Friday, November 7, 2008. Harvesting of plants continues pursuant to approved work plan. [Areas of residential properties used in the study have now been either seeded or sodded where ferns were planted.](#)