

**Meeting Minutes**  
**CRDA South Meadows Committee**  
**100 Columbus Boulevard, 5th Floor**  
**Hartford, CT 06103**  
**Friday, March 13, 2026**  
**10:00am**

*(The Committee Meeting was held virtually on Microsoft Teams)*

**Committee Members Present:** Paul Hinsch (Chair); David Jorgensen; Scott Murphy

**Committee Members Absent:** David Robinson (Board Chair)

**Staff Members Present:** Anthony Lazzaro; David Bodendorf; Christopher Shepard

**Others Present:** Robert Carr, Weston & Sampson

**1. Call to Order**

Paul Hinsch called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

Due to only one committee member present who was also at the February 13, 2026 meeting, approval of the minutes was tabled until the April meeting.

**3. New Projects**

**a. Flood Control System Penetration, Encroachment, Abandonment, Engineering, and Permitting Project**

David Bodendorf reported that the agreement with Weston & Sampson was executed this past week. Mr. Bodendorf indicated that he notified Frank Dellaripa of the Greater Hartford Flood Commission that CRDA would be coordinating with the Flood Commission, Weston & Sampson, the Army Corps of Engineers, and CT DEEP Dam Safety division to schedule a kick-off meeting in the coming weeks.

No questions were raised.

**b. Solid Waste Closure Plan Consulting RFP Review.**

Chris Shepard provided an update on the RFP issued December 1, 2025 for engineering consulting services to revise the solid waste facility closure plan and prepare plans and specifications for demolition and cleanup. Mr. Shepard summarized the RFP process, including the review process by the selection committee and referred the

committee members to the attached selection memorandum indicating TRC is the consultant recommended by the selection committee.

David Jorgensen made a motion to recommend award of the contract to TRC. The motion was seconded by Scott Murphy and approved unanimously.

#### **c. Renewal of “Coal Pond” Discharge Permit**

Chris Shepard reported that the Application for coverage under the reissued General Permit for Significant Industrial User Discharges was submitted to DEEP on February 27, 2026. He indicated the application was now being processed by DEEP and reminded the committee that CRDA is prohibited from discharging wastewater from the coal pond until a new treatment system is installed to reduce mercury concentrations in the wastewater to a level below the new permit’s discharge limit. TRC is working on the design of an appropriate treatment system.

#### **d. Renewal of Stormwater General Permit Registration**

David Bodendorf reported that he is working on updating the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan for the site that will be submitted to DEEP with the application for registration under the new Stormwater Industrial General Permit. The application is due April 1, 2026 and in the meantime compliance is being maintained under the previous permit. Stormwater monitoring reports for sampling done in December 2025 were submitted to DEEP in February.

### **4. Project Updates**

#### **a. S&S Recycling and Demolition Contract**

David Bodendorf reported that removal of copper from the two transformers associated with the jets has been completed but the steel transformer shells remain. S&S has indicated that it intends to return to the site in April to complete removal of the shells and complete cleanup activities.

#### **b. Security Fencing**

David Bodendorf reported that the perimeter fencing is now complete with the recent installation of two gates and a section of fencing at the north limit of the concrete floodwall.

#### **d. Verification Report**

Chris Shepard reviewed the status of the Site Verification Report submitted to Connecticut DEEP in May 2025, confirming remediation to industrial/commercial standards.

DEEP is auditing the report with a focus on PFAS. PFAS sampling conducted in December 2025 (as part of the coal pond discharge permit renewal) contained detectable PFAS concentrations, all of which were below established drinking water standards. TRC views these sample results as supportive of its conclusion that PFAS are not a constituent of concern for the South Meadows property. On February 27, 2026, TRC submitted the coal pond sample results to DEEP for its consideration as it continues its review of the Verification Report.

## **7. Other Committee Business**

Scott Murphy suggested that the committee be provided regular reports showing the status of the funds received from MIRA for the South Meadows Site along with the costs being paid out of those funds, including ongoing site operations and site decommissioning/demolition activities. He suggested an anticipated schedule for decommissioning/demolition activities also be provided.

The committee agreed that such information would be useful and it was recognized that estimating costs of decommissioning/demolition is difficult due to many unknowns relating to the work at this time. Mr. Lazzaro suggested this information could be provided to the committee but it may take several weeks to put together.

## **8. Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.

## **9. Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Scott Murphy and seconded by David Jorgensen. The motion was approved unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

*These minutes are draft and subject to approval at the next meeting of the South Meadows Committee.*