CHAPTER 33-20-13 WATER PROTECTION PROVISIONS

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33-20-13-01. Site characterization.

The department shall require adequate site characterization to ensure that the waters of the state are not or will not be adversely impacted by the solid waste management facility. At a minimum, the site characterization must address the following:

- 1. Location and water quality of lakes, rivers, streams, springs, or wetlands within one mile [1.61 kilometers] of the site boundary based on available data;
- Domestic and livestock wells within one mile [1.61 kilometers] of the site boundary. Information collected should include the location, water quality, depth to water, well depth, screened intervals, yields, and the aquifers tapped;
- 3. Site location in relation to the one hundred-year floodplain;
- 4. Depth to the thicknesses of the uppermost aquifers;
- 5. Hydrologic properties of the uppermost aquifers beneath the proposed facility including existing water quality, flow directions, flow rates, porosity, coefficient of storage, hydraulic conductivity, and potentiometric surface or water table; and
- An evaluation of the potential for impacts to surface and ground water quality from the proposed facility.

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33-20-13-02. Ground water quality monitoring.

- 1. An owner or operator of a resource recovery unit, a land treatment unit, a surface impoundment, or a landfill, except an inert waste landfill, must incorporate a ground water monitoring system into the design of the facility. If the owner or operator demonstrates to the department that there is no potential for migration of solid waste constituents to the uppermost aquifer during the life of the solid waste management unit and the postclosure period, the department may suspend this requirement. The demonstration must be based upon factors such as the site characterization, the solid waste characteristics and constituents, the potential capacity of the unit or facility, and the physical, chemical, and biological processes affecting contaminant fate and transport.
- 2. Ground water monitoring systems must be designed to effectively detect the migration of contamination. At a minimum, a water quality monitoring system shall:
 - a. Include one ground water monitoring well located upgradient of the solid waste management unit, and at least two wells located downgradient of the unit. The monitoring wells should be installed at appropriate locations and depths to yield ground water from

- the uppermost aquifer and all hydraulically connected aquifers below the solid waste management units on the facility;
- b. Represent the elevation of ground water in each well immediately prior to purging so that the owner or operator may determine the rate and direction of ground water flow each time ground water is sampled;
- Represent the quality of ground water that has not been affected by spills or leakage from solid waste management units;
- d. Represent the quality of ground water to ensure detection of contamination passing the compliance boundary;
- e. Ground water samples at municipal waste landfills must not be filtered prior to analysis; and
- f. The frequency and number of samples collected must be consistent with statistical procedures for evaluating ground water data. A minimum of four independent samples from each well must be collected for analysis during the first sampling event for establishing background data at upgradient (subdivision c) and downgradient (subdivision d) wells, unless four or more sampling events occur prior to acceptance of solid waste by the facility. The monitoring frequency must be semiannual during the active life of the facility and during the postclosure period. The department may specify an alternate frequency for sampling based upon such factors as site hydrogeological characteristics, solid waste characteristics, evidence of a spill or leakage, or resource value of the aquifer.
- 3. Additional wells may be required in complicated hydrogeological settings or to define the extent of contamination detected.
- 4. A written ground water monitoring plan must be developed for approval by the department and implemented as part of the permitting process. The plan must include:
 - a. Number and location of wells:
 - b. Procedures for decontamination of drilling and sampling equipment;
 - c. Procedures for sample collection;
 - d. Sample analytical procedures;
 - e. Chain of custody control;
 - f. Parameters for analysis:
 - g. Quality assurance or quality control procedures;
 - h. A monitoring schedule;
 - i. Data statistical methods and analysis procedures; and
 - j. Reporting of a statistically significant increase over a background value or of an exceedance of a maximum concentration limit or a water quality standard.
- Ground water monitoring data obtained under this section must be analyzed within a reasonable period of time after completing sampling and laboratory analysis to determine whether or not a statistically significant increase over background values or an exceedance of

a maximum concentration limit or water quality standard has occurred for each parameter required in the monitoring plan or permit. Statistical methods must, as appropriate:

- a. Be appropriate for the distribution of the data and, if inappropriate for a normal theory test, be transformed or a distribution-free theory test must be used.
- b. Control or correct for seasonal and spatial variability in the data.
- c. Account for data below the limit of detection that can be reliably achieved by routine laboratory techniques, using the limit as the lowest concentration level for a chemical parameter which is below detection.
- d. Be protective of human health and environmental resources.

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33-20-13-03. Water quality standards.

- All solid waste management systems, operations, units, and facilities must be designed, constructed, operated, maintained, closed, and maintained after closure so as to be in compliance with North Dakota Century Code chapter 61-28, and water quality standards defined in articles 33-16 and 33-17. Compliance with these standards is enforceable at the compliance boundary of the facility.
- 2. Whenever ground water monitoring is required, the department must specify in the facility permit the specific elements of ground water monitoring, including indicator parameters which are constituents in or derived from solid waste, the maximum concentration limits in ground water for each parameter not otherwise defined by subsection 1, and the compliance boundary, considering:
 - The physical and chemical characteristics of the waste, including the potential for migration in surface water, in the unsaturated zone beneath the facility, and in ground water;
 - b. The hydrogeological characteristics of the site and the surrounding land;
 - c. The existing quality and quantity of ground water, other possible sources of contamination, and the direction of ground water flow;
 - d. The detectability of the indicator parameters or constituents in surface water or in ground water; or
 - e. The proximity of the facility to surface waters; and
 - f. Appropriate parameters from the list in table 1.
- 3. The compliance boundary shall be located on land owned by the owner of the facility and no more than five hundred feet [152.4 meters] from a landfill or landfill disposal cell.

TABLE 1 List of Parameters for Assessing Ground Water Quality

- Parameters measured in the field: a.
 - (1) Appearance (including color, foaming, and odor)
 - (2) pH^1
 - (3) Specific conductance²
 - (4) Temperature
 - (5) Water elevation³
- General geochemcial parameters: b.

 - (10) Carbonate

- (1) Ammonia nitrogen (11) Chloride
 (2) Total hardness (12) Fluoride
 (3) Iron (13) Nitrate + Nitrite, as N
 (4) Calcium (14) Total phosphorus
 (5) Magnesium (15) Sulfate
 (6) Manganese (16) Sodium
 (7) Potassium (17) Total dissolved solids (TDS)
 (8) Total alkalinity (18) Total suspended solids (TSS)
 (9) Bicarbonate (10) Carbonate

Heavy metals: C.

Group A:

- (1) Arsenic
- (2) Barium
- (3) Cadmium
- (4) Chromium
- (5) Lead(6) Mercury
- (7) Selenium
- (8) Silver

Group B:

- (9) Antimony
- (10) Beryllium
- (11) Cobalt
- (12) Copper
- (13) Nickel (14) Thallium
- (15) Vanadium
- (16) Zinc
- Total organic carbon (TOC) d. Chemical oxygen demand (COD)
- Naturally occurring radionuclides: е.
 - (1) Radon
 - (2) Radium
 - (3) Uranium
- Volatile organic compounds, both halogenated and nonhalogenated: f.

Halogenated:

Acrylonitrile Allyl chloride Bromoform Bromomethane

Carbon disulfide

1,1-Dichloroethylene 1,2-Dichloropropane Bromochloromethane cis-1,3-Dichloropropene cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene trans-1,3-Dichloropropene trans-1,4-Dichloro-2-butene Carbon tetrachloride

Chlorobenzene

(monochlorobenzene)

Chlorodibromomethane Chloroethane

Chloroform Chloromethane Dibromomethane

1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane

1,2-Dibromoethane Dichloroacetonitrile 1,2-Dichlorobenzene 1,3-Dichlorobenzene 1,4-Dichlorobenzene Dichlorodifluoromethane

1,1-Dichloroethane

1,2-Dichloroethane

Dichlorofluoromethane

Dichloromethane (methylene chloride)

1,3-Dichloropropene 2,3-Dichloro-1-propene Pentachloroethane

1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane 1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane

Tetrachloroethylene 1,1,1-Trichloroethane 1,1,2-Trichloroethane Trichloroethylene Trichlorofluoromethane 1,2,3-Trichloropropane

1,1,2-Trichlorotrifluoroethane

Vinyl acetate Vinyl chloride

Nonhalogenated:

Acetone

Benzene Cumene

Ethylbenzene Ethyl ether

Methyl butyl ketone Methyl ethyl ketone

Methyl iodide

Methyl isobutyl ketone

Pyrene Styrene

Tetrahydrofuran

Toluene m-Xylene o-Xylene p-Xylene

q. Pesticides:

Aldrin Chlordane Chloroform 4,4 DDT Dibenzofuran Dieldrin

Dimethoate Endosulfan

Endrin Heptachlor Lindane

Methyl bromide Methyl Methacrylate Methylene bromide

Naphthalene Parathion

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¹ Two measurements: in field, and immediately upon sample's arrival in laboratory.

² As measured in field.

 $^{^{3}}$ As measured to the nearest 0.01 foot in field before pumping or bailing.

33-20-13-04. Monitoring well construction.

- All monitoring wells must be cased in a manner that maintains the integrity of the monitoring well bore hole. This casing must allow collection of representative ground water samples. Wells must be constructed in such a manner as to prevent contamination of the samples, the sampled strata, and between aguifers and water bearing strata.
- 2. All soil borings or ground water monitoring wells must be completed by a driller licensed in North Dakota and must meet design and construction requirements as stipulated in North Dakota Century Code chapter 43-35 and article 33-18.

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33-20-13-05. Assessment monitoring, remedial measures, and corrective action.

- 1. Within ninety days of finding that a parameter has been detected at a statistically significant level exceeding the ground water standards established under sections 33-20-13-02 and 33-20-13-03, the owner or operator shall initiate an assessment of remedial measures. The assessment must:
 - a. Be completed within a reasonable time period, unless otherwise specified by permit or the department;
 - b. Include an evaluation of the nature and extent of the release of the constituents including pathways to human and environmental receptors;
 - c. For municipal landfills, include ground water sampling and analysis for all parameters listed in appendix 1 of this chapter. The department may delete any of the appendix 1 parameters if it can be shown that the removed constituents are not reasonably expected to be in or derived from the waste within the leaking facility;
 - d. Include an analysis of the effectiveness of potential remedial measures in meeting all requirements of subsection 2 and include the following:
 - (1) The performance, reliability, ease of implementation, and potential impacts of each potential remedial measure;
 - (2) The time required to begin and complete each potential remedial measure;
 - (3) The costs of implementation of each potential remedial measure; and
 - (4) The permit requirements or other environmental or public health requirements that may substantially affect implementation of each potential remedial measure; and
 - e. When requested by the department, the owner or operator must discuss results of the assessment of remedial measures, prior to selection of a corrective action remedy, in a public meeting with interested and affected persons.
- Based on the results of the assessment of remedial measures conducted under subsection 1, the owner or operator must select a corrective action remedy within thirty days which, at minimum, meets the following standards:
 - a. Is protective of human health and environmental resources;
 - b. Attains the ground water protection standards under sections 33-20-13-02 and 33-20-13-03;

- Controls the sources of release so as to reduce or eliminate, to the maximum extent practicable, further releases of constituents that may pose a threat to human health or environmental resources; and
- d. Complies with this article and other applicable environmental statutes and rules.
- 3. When selecting a corrective action remedy under subsection 2, the owner or operator shall consider these factors:
 - a. The short-term and long-term effectiveness of the potential remedial measure considering:
 - (1) Magnitude of reducing exposure to constituents;
 - (2) Likelihood of further releases;
 - (3) Practical capability of technologies; and
 - (4) Time until the standards are achieved.
 - b. The ease or difficulty of implementing the potential remedial measure considering:
 - (1) Availability of equipment and specialists;
 - (2) Long-term management needs such as monitoring, operation, and maintenance; and
 - (3) Need to coordinate with and obtain necessary approvals or permits from otheragencies.
 - c. The need for interim measures to control the sources of the release and to protect human health and environmental resources.
 - d. The schedules for initiating, conducting, and completing the potential remedial measure.
 - e. Practical capability of the owner or operator.
- 4. The owner or operator shall provide the department with a document fully describing the remedial measures assessment under subsection 1 and the selected corrective action remedy under subsections 2 and 3.
- 5. Upon selection of the corrective action remedy under subsection 2 and with the concurrence of the department, the owner or operator shall establish and implement the remedy.
 - a. During implementation, the owner or operator shall monitor the effectiveness of the remedy.
 - b. Implementation shall be considered complete when all actions and standards required to complete the remedy have been satisfied and approved by the department.
 - c. Upon completion of a corrective action remedy, the owner or operator shall place in the operating record a certification that the correctiveaction remedy has been completed. Within fourteen days of completion of the certification, the owner or operator shall notify the department that the certification has been placed in the operating record.

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Appendix I to Section 33-20-13-05 - List of Hazardous Inorganic and Organic Constituents

Acenaphthene p-Chloroaniline Chlorobenzene Acenaphtylene Chlorobenzilate Acetone Acetonitrile; Methyl cyanide p-Chloro-m-cresol; 4-Chloro-3methylphenol Acetophenone 2-Acetylaminofluorene; 2-AAF Chloroethane; Ethyl chloride Chloroform; Trichloromethane Acrolein Acrylonitrile 2-Chloronaphthalene Aldrin 2-Chlorophenol Allyl chloride 4-Chlorophenyl phenyl ether 4-Aminobiphenyl Chloroprene Chromium Anthracene Antimony Chrysene Arsenic Cobalt Barium Copper m-Cresol; 3-methylphenol Benzene o-Cresol; 2-Methylphenol Benzol[a]anthracene; Benzanthracene Benzo[b]fluoranthene p-Cresol; 4-Methylphenol Benzo[k]fluoranthene Cyanide 2,4-D; 2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic Benzo[ghi]perylene Benzo[a]pyrene Benzyl alcohol 4,41-DDD Beryllium $4,4^{1}-DDE$ 4,41-DDT alpha-BHC beta-BHC Diallate delta-BHC Dibenz[a,h]anthracene Dibenzofuran gamma-BHC; Lindane Bis(2-chloroethoxy)methane Dibromochloromethane; Bis(2-chloroethyl)ether; Chlorodibromomethane Dichloroethyl ether 1,2-Dibromo-3-chloropropane; DBCP Bis-(2-chloro-1-methylethyl) ether; 1,2-Dibromoethane; Ethylene 2,21-Dichlorodiisopropyl dibromide; EDB ether; DCIP Di-n-butyl phthalate Bis-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate o-Dichlorobenzene; Bromochloromethane; Chloro-1,2-Dichlorobenzene bromomethane m-Dichlorobenzene; Bromodichloromethane; 1,3-Dichlorobenzene Dibromochloromethane p-Dichlorobenzene; Bromoform; Tribromomethane 1,4-Dichlorobenzene 4-Bromophenyl phenyl ether 3,31-Dichlorobenzidine Butyl benzyl phthalate; Benzyl trans-1,4-Dichloro-2-butene butyl phthalate Dichlorodifluoromethane; CFC 12 Cadmium 1,1-Dichloroethane; Ethyldidene Carbon disulfide chloride Carbon tetrachloride 1,2-Dichloroethane; Ethylene Chlordane dichloride 1,1-Dichloroethylene; 1,1-Dichloro-Hexachlorocyclopentadiene ethene; Vinylidene chloride Hexachloroethane cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene; cis-1,2-Hexachloropropene Dichloroethene 2-Hexanone; Methyl butyl ketone trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene trans-1,2- Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene Dichloroethene Isobutyl alcohol

2,4-Dichlorophenol Isodrin 2,6-Dichlorophenol Isophorone 1,2-Dichloropropane; Propylene Isosafrole Kepone 1,3-Dichloropropane; Trimethylene Lead dichloride Mercury 2,2-Dichloropropane; Isopropylidene Methacrylonitrile Methapyrilene chloride Methoxychlor 1,1-Dichloropropene cis-1,3-Dichloropropene Methyl bromide; Bromomethane trans-1,3-Dichloropropene Methyl chloride; Chloromethane Dieldrin 3-Methylcholanthrene Diethyl phthalate Methyl ethyl ketone; MEK; 2-Butanone Methyl iodide; lodomethane 0,0-Diethyl 0-2-pyrazinyl Methyl methacrylate phosphorothioate; Thionazin Dimethoate Methyl methanesulfonate p-(Dimethylamino)azobenzene 2-Methylnaphthalene 7,12-Dimethylbenz[a]anthracene Methyl parathion; Parathion methyl $3,3^1$ -Dimethylbenzidine 4-Methyl-2-pentanone; Methyl 2,4-Dimethylphenol; m-Xylenol isobutyl ketone Dimethyl phthalate Methylene bromide; Dibromomethane m-Dinitrobenzene Methylene chloride; Dichloromethane 4,6-Dinitro-o-cresol 4,6-Dinitro-2 Naphthalene 1,4-Naphthoquinone methylphenol 2,4-Dinitrophenol 1-Naphthylamine 2,4-Dinitrotoluene 2-Naphthylamine 2,6-Dinitrotoluene Nickel Dinoseb; DNBP; 2-sec-Butylo-Nitroaniline; 2-Nitroaniline 4,6-dinitrophenol m-Nitroaniline; 3-Nitroanile Di-n-octyl phthalate p-nitroaniline; 4-Nitroaniline Diphenylamine Nitrobenzene Disulfoton o-Nitrophenol; 2-Nitrophenol p-Nitrophenol; 4-Nitrophenol Endosulfan I N-Nitrosodi-n-butylamine Endosulfan II Endosulfan sulfate N-Nitrosodiethylamine N-Nitrosodimethylamine Endrin aldehyde N-Nitrosodiphenylamine Ethylbenzene N-Nitrosodipropylamine; N-Nitroso-Ethyl methacrylate N-dipropylamine; Di-n-pro-Ethyl methanesulfonate pylnitrosamine Famphur N-Nitrosomethylethalamine Fluoranthene N-Nitrosopiperidine Fluorene N-Nitrosopyrrolidine Heptachlor 5-Nitro-o-toluidine Heptachlor epoxide Parathion Hexachlorobenzene Pentachlorobenzene Hexachlorobutadiene 2,3,4,6-Tetrachlorophenol Pentachloronitrobenzene Pentachlorophenol Thallium Phenacetin Tin Phenanthrene Toluene o-Toluidine Phenol p-Phenylenediamine Toxaphene 1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene Polychlorinated biphenyls; 1,1,1-Trichloroethane;

Methylchloroform PCBs; Aroclors 1,1,2-Trichloroethane Pronamide Trichloroethylene; Trichloroethene Propionitrile; Ethyl cyanide Trichlorofluoromethane; CFC-11 Pyrene Safrole 2,4,5-Trichlorophenol Selenium 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol Silver 1,2,3-Trichloropropane Silvex; 2,4,5-TP 0,0,0-Triethyl phosphorothioate sym-Trinitrobenzene Styrene Sulfide Vanadium 2,4,5-T; 2,4,5-Trichlorophen-Vinyl acetate Vinyl chloride; Chloroethene oxyacetic acid 1,2,4,5-Tetrachlorobenzene Xylene (total) 1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane 1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane Tetrachloroethylene; Tetrachloroethene; Perchloroethylene

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