

Crouchland Farm Lagoon 3 Multi-agency Incident Plan Review Meeting

By MS Teams
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Present:

CDC:

Environment Agency:

WSSC:

Item	Notes	Action
1.	<p>Welcome, introductions and nomination of Chair</p> <p>Michael Turner chairing (continuation from previous meeting)</p>	
3.	<p>Introductions</p> <p>Meeting quorate – includes 2 emergency planners and 3 partners and a geotechnical officer, all with field experience of the facility. Chaired by a strategic incident manager.</p>	
4.	<p>Aim and objectives of meeting</p> <p><u>Aim:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To work to ensure the safety of the local community and environment from risks posed by lagoon 3 at Crouchland Farm. <p><u>Objectives:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update understanding of the risks <p><u>Scope:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This meeting is intended to agree a multiagency approach to ensuring that lagoon 3 does not pose an unmanaged risk to the local community and environment. 	
5	<p>Actions from previous meeting</p> <p>Use of optical gas imaging camera – decided to use the camera should there be an incident, such as detection of an odour incident.</p> <p>WSSC to check if Police marker put on site regarding hazards.</p>	<p>EA</p> <p>WSSC</p>
6.	<p>Verbal report on inspection of 09 September 2021</p> <p>Site overgrown (as it was summer) so harder to inspect thoroughly.</p> <p>It was evident that gas has been moving around under the cover. Bubbles lower and more spread out. Line of bubbles down the north and southern bank of the lagoon.</p> <p>East bank rotational slip sizes has not changed. Excess of 5.5m of undisturbed bank. Hard to see if there had been further rotation of the slip due to vegetation.</p> <p>On northern bank none of the slips had progressed further, although the area was overgrown.</p>	

	<p>On the SW side of the lagoon, there was a small leak of gas bubbling up (about a bubble a minute). This was near the area that had been cut for the sampling. The Group concluded that it was likely that the leak is through patching over the sample point. The gas did not register on the gas alarm and there was no odour.</p> <p>The group considered if this leak could worsen and concluded that the force required to tear it would be large and that an increase in leakage would be unlikely.</p>	
7.	<p>Likelihood of loss of containment and impacts</p> <p>The Group's assessment of the likelihood of loss of containment liquid material has not changed due to the latest assessment above in that it is not imminent.</p> <p>The likelihood of release of gas remains very low. The potential impact from loss of containment of gas remains low.</p> <p>The Group agreed to share the minutes of these meeting with the Countryside and Right of Way authority, through WSCC.</p>	
8.	<p>Incident Plan periodic review</p> <p>From the inspection of the lagoon and consequent meeting to discuss the findings, it has been decided that the overall risk has not changed.</p> <p>Whilst the risk of loss of containment is low, the Group appreciates the desire by members of the public to have timely information on risk. The Group agreed to share these minutes with the parish council.</p> <p>As there has been no change over a significant period of time, the Group therefore agreed to conduct site visits twice annually.</p> <p>The Incident Plan has been reviewed on the 31/03/2021 and will be reviewed again after the next inspection. Should results from a site visit bring up factors that could increase the risk, the Incident Plan will be reviewed accordingly.</p> <p>Should the rights of way reopen, this will be a trigger a review of the incident plan. This is because one of the risk controls in the plan is to close nearby rights of way.</p>	<p>CDC</p> <p>WSCC</p>