



Voluntary Cleanup Program/Brownfields

Voluntary Cleanup Program Site Characterization Workplan

The information included in this Fact Sheet is provided to assist in preparing a Site Characterization Workplan (SCW) under the Utah Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). Characterization is necessary to evaluate a site and to define the nature and extent of contamination exceeding screening levels. The Division of Environmental Response and Remediation (DERR) will work with VCP Applicants to develop a SCW. Multiple investigations may be requested to assess the site, including any off-site impacts, prior to evaluating a remedy.

Key Components to be included, at a minimum, in a SCW:

- Site Location and Site Description
- Project Background and Operational History
- Previous Investigation(s) Summary
- Current Environmental Setting
- Objectives, Purpose and Scope of Investigation
- Sampling Methodology and Procedures
- Screening Levels
- Quality Assurance and Data Review
- Contingency Planning
- Decontamination
- Investigation Derived Waste
- Schedule
- Reporting

Figures:

- Site Location Overview
- Site Sketch (including all boundaries and major features)
- Proposed Sample Locations

Table(s):

- Analytical Methods, Sample Media, Containers/Preservatives and Hold Times
- Sample Locations, Sample Depths, and Rationale

Reference Documents (may be an attachment or standalone document)

- Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP)
- Sampling and Analysis Plan (if developed separately from the SCW)

Questions and Further Information:

The DERR views participation in the VCP as a “beneficial partnership” and seeks to foster a collaborative approach to assessing and cleaning up sites. You may also visit our web page at: <https://deq.utah.gov/environmental-response-and-remediation/cercla-comprehensive-environmental-response-compensation-and-liability-act/voluntary-cleanup-program> for further information. To discuss options and programmatic elements of the SCW, please contact the project manager or the VCP/Brownfields coordinator at (801) 536-4100.