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Dallas, Texas 75201

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### Environment and Sustainability Committee

January 26, 2021

2:00 PM

#### SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

The Environment and Sustainability Committee meeting will be held by videoconference. The meeting will be broadcast live on Spectrum Cable Channel 95 and online at [bit.ly/cityofdallastv](https://cityofdallas.tv).

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<https://dallascityhall.webex.com/dallascityhall/onstage/g.phpMTID=e9deef45cebbba01504ad7c59e5879e8cc>

## 2021 CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

<b>COUNCIL COMMITTEE</b>	
<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b> Atkins (C), Blewett (VC), Gates, McGough, Narvaez, Resendez, West	<b>ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY</b> Narvaez (C), West (VC), Atkins, Blackmon, Gates
<b>GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT</b> Mendelsohn (C), Gates (VC), Bazaldua, McGough, Thomas	<b>HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS SOLUTIONS</b> Thomas (C), Mendelsohn (VC), Arnold, Blackmon, Kleinman, Resendez, West
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b> Gates (C), Kleinman (VC), Arnold, Bazaldua, Blewett, McGough, Medrano, Mendelsohn, Thomas	<b>QUALITY OF LIFE, ARTS, AND CULTURE</b> Medrano (C), Atkins (VC), Arnold, Blewett, Narvaez
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE</b> McGough (C), Medrano (VC), Atkins, Bazaldua, Kleinman, Mendelsohn, West	<b>WORKFORCE, EDUCATION, AND EQUITY</b> Thomas (C), Resendez (VC), Blackmon, Kleinman, Medrano
<b>AD HOC JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE</b> McGough (C), Blewett, Mendelsohn, Narvaez, West	<b>AD HOC LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS</b> Johnson (C), Mendelsohn (VC), Atkins, Gates, McGough
<b>AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COVID-19 RECOVERY AND ASSISTANCE</b> Thomas (C), Atkins, Blewett, Gates, Mendelsohn, Narvaez, Resendez	

(C) – Chair, (VC) – Vice Chair

**Call to Order**

**BRIEFING ITEMS**

[21-158](#)

Cleanup Update and Next Steps for Former Blue Star Recycling Site  
[Sheila Delgado, Interim Director, Office of Environmental Quality and  
Sustainability]

**Attachments:**    [Presentation](#)

**ADJOURNMENT**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION NOTICE**

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

1. seeking the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.071]
2. deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.072]
3. deliberating a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the city if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.073]
4. deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.074]
5. deliberating the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.076]
6. discussing or deliberating commercial or financial information that the city has received from a business prospect that the city seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the city and with which the city is conducting economic development negotiations; or deliberating the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect. [Tex Govt. Code §551.087]
7. deliberating security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology, network security information, or the deployment or specific occasions for implementations of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices. [Tex Govt. Code §551.089]



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## Agenda Information Sheet

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**File #:** 21-158

**Item #:**

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Cleanup Update and Next Steps for Former Blue Star Recycling Site  
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# **Cleanup Update and Next Steps for Former Blue Star Recycling Site**

**Environment and Sustainability  
Committee  
January 26, 2021**

Sheila Delgado, Interim Director  
Office of Environmental Quality and Sustainability  
City of Dallas

# Presentation Overview



- Purpose
- Background
- Cleanup Dashboard Overview
- Next Steps





- To share the progress of the cleanup efforts at the former Blue Star Recycling site
- To discuss next steps for the site and post-incident planning and action



# Background



- Blue Star Recycling (“Blue Star”) failed to obtain necessary permissions
- Code Compliance investigated, confirmed violations, and issued notices of violation and citation for illegal land use
- Blue Star obtained certificate of occupancy (CO) for industrial use (outside) – an allowed use
- Subsequent inspections revealed Blue Star misrepresented its operations



# Background (cont.)



- OEQS investigated environmental concerns, confirmed significant risks and noncompliance issues
- CAO filed a lawsuit seeking the closure of the business  
- addressing stormwater, floodplain, and land use violations
- Building Inspection revoked CO and the CAO obtained temporary restraining order requiring operations to cease
- Court signed Agreed Final Judgment – December 2020



# Cleanup Working Group



Sanitation Services

Procurement  
Services

Office of  
Environmental  
Quality &  
Sustainability  
(OEQS)

City Attorney's  
Office (CAO)

Modern  
Geosciences, LLC

Data Analytics &  
Business  
Intelligence

Q Roberts Trucking, Inc.



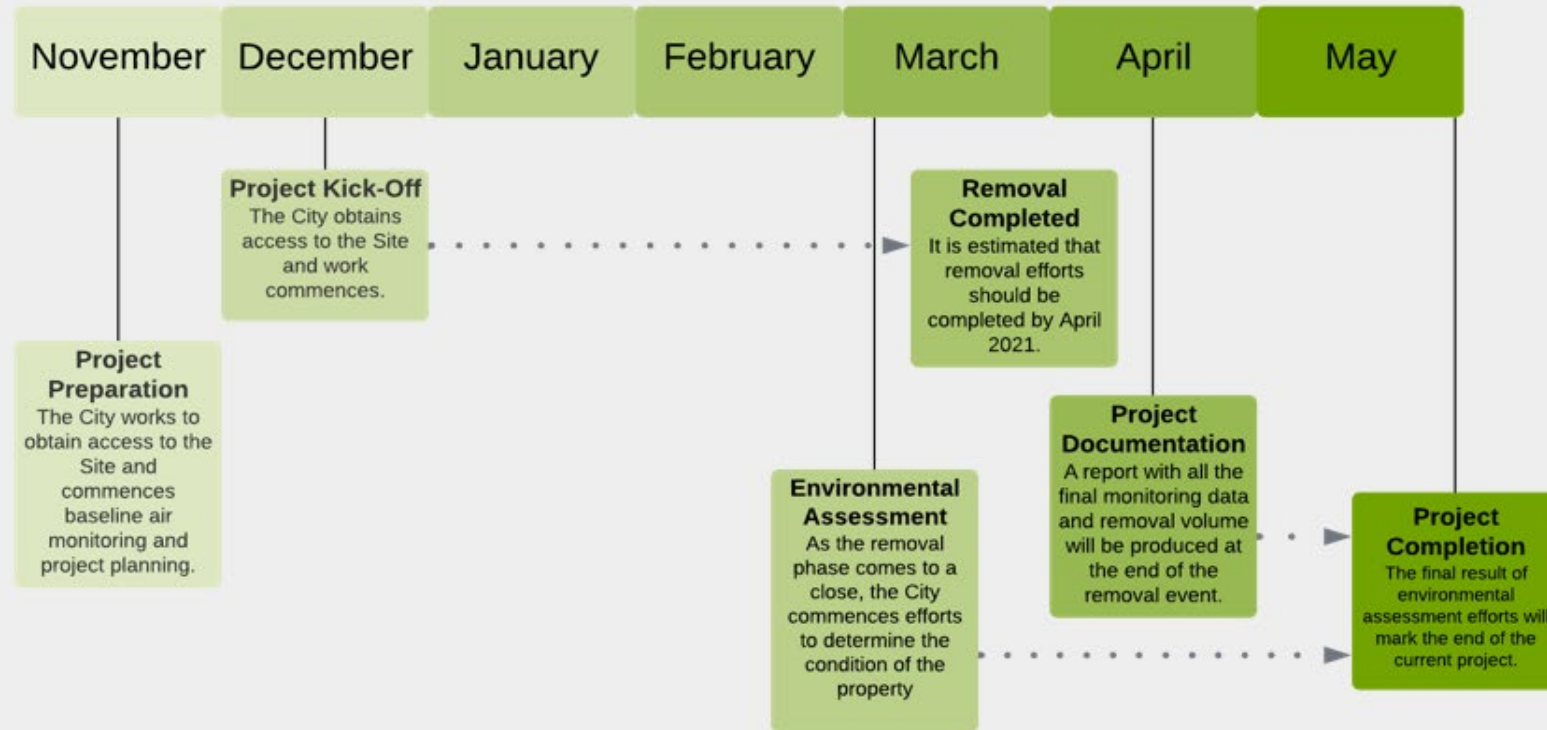
# Cleanup Dashboard Overview



- Created to provide transparency and accountability of the site cleanup to neighbors and the public: visit <https://bit.ly/bluestardashboard>
- Dashboard Includes:
  - Background Information
  - Agreed Final Judgment
  - Timeline
  - Removal Progress
  - Air Quality Monitoring
  - Stormwater Management Info



# Cleanup Dashboard Overview - Timeline





# Cleanup Dashboard Overview - Removal Progress



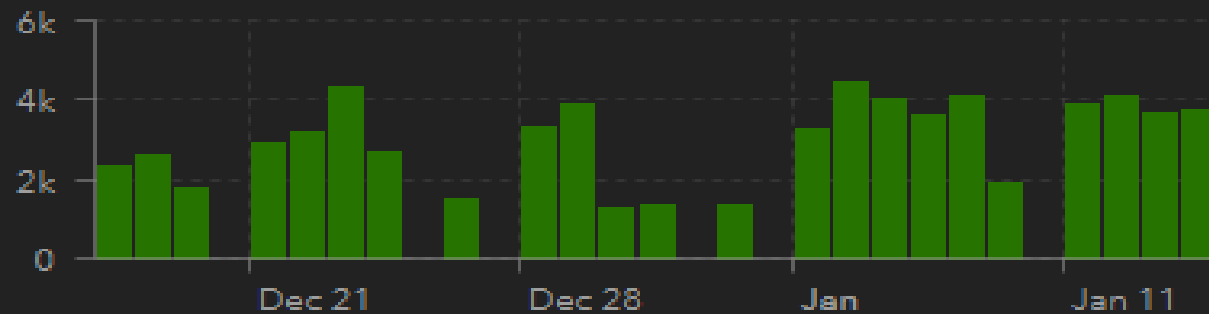
## Dallas: Former Blue Star Recycling Sanitation Cleanup

Total Tonnage Removed  
**69,104.48**

Total Trips (Loads)  
**3,772**

Work Days  
**23**

Tonnage (Volume)



Trips (Loads)



# Cleanup Dashboard Overview - Removal Progress (cont.)



# Cleanup Dashboard Overview - Removal Progress (cont.)



Dust Suppression Efforts

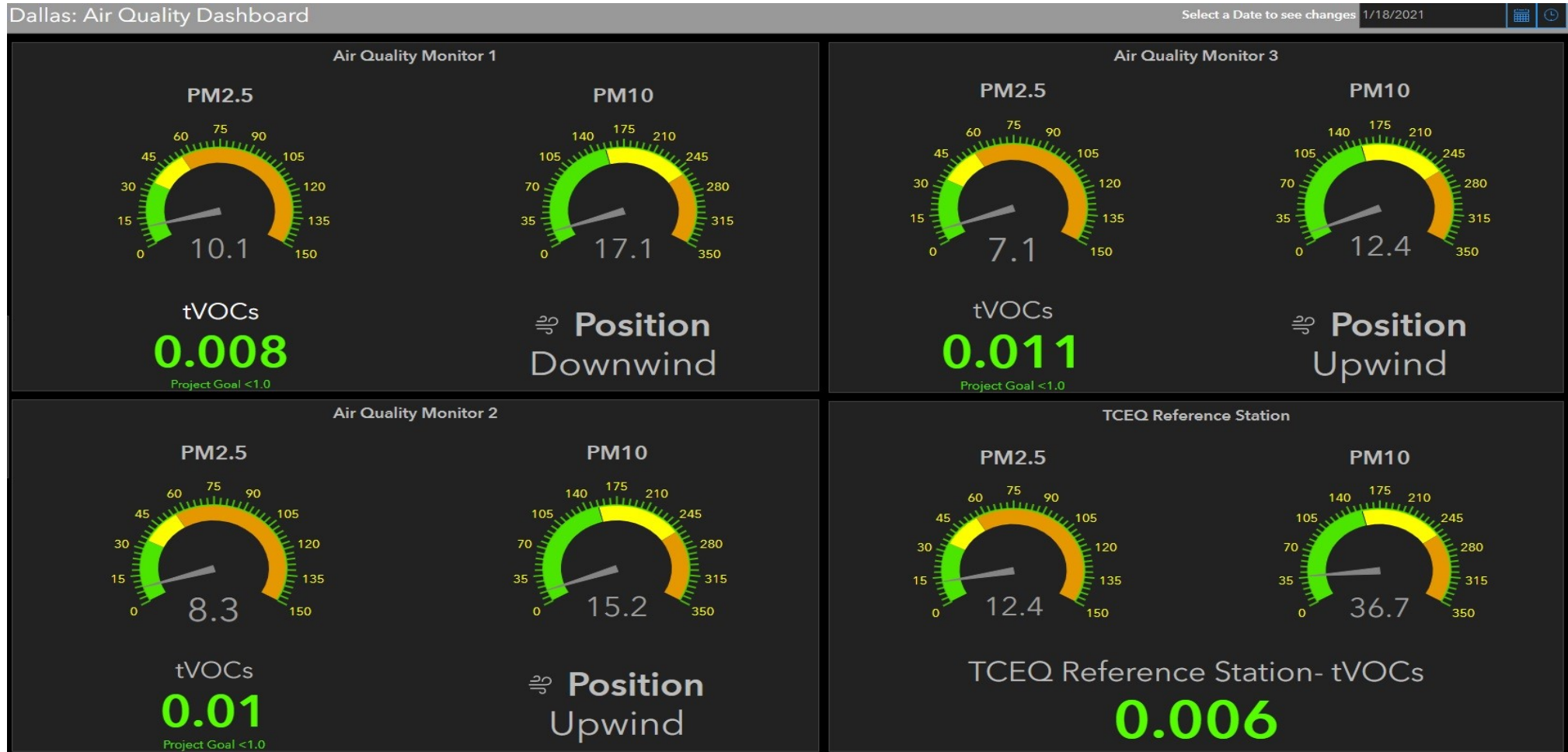


# Cleanup Dashboard Overview – Removal Progress (cont.)

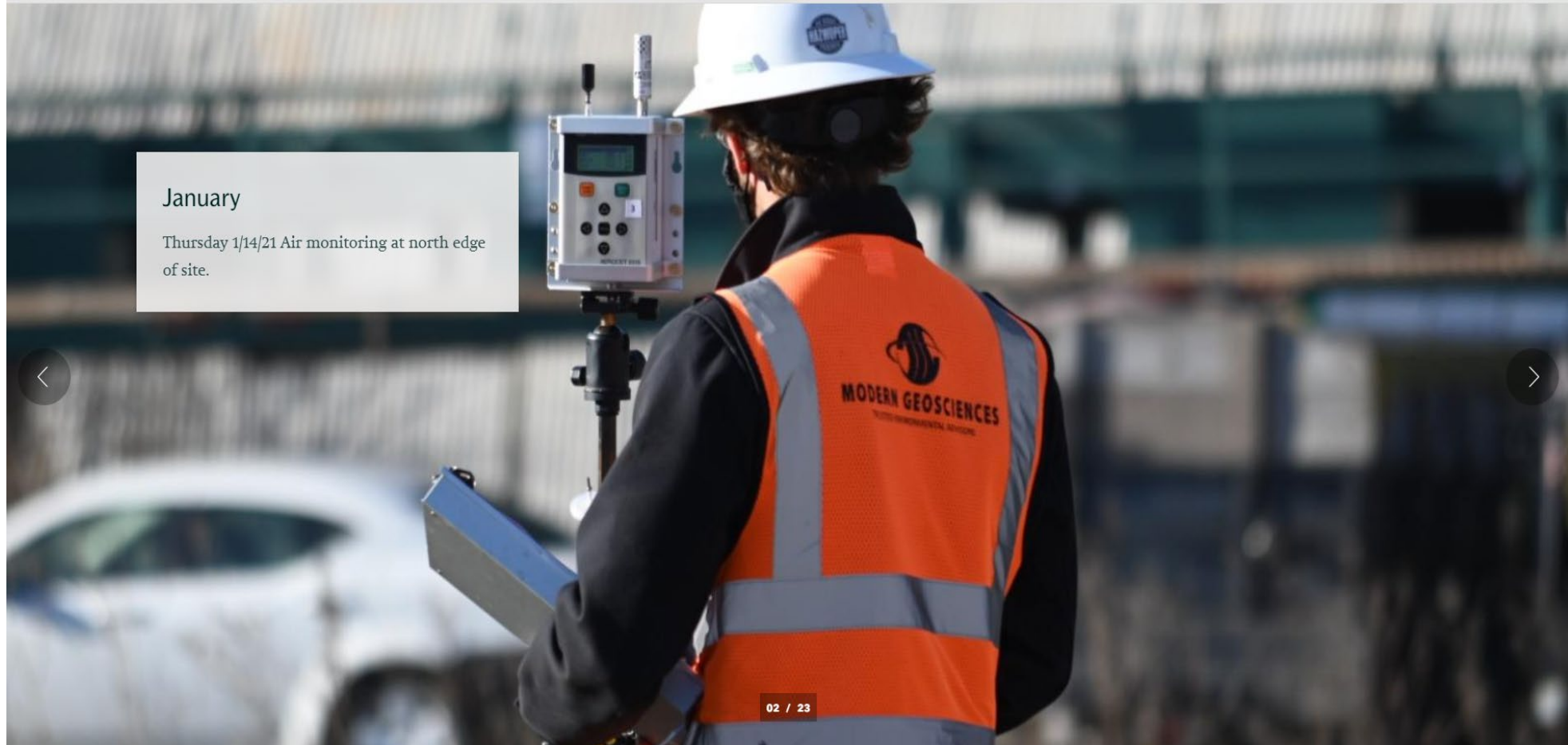




# Cleanup Dashboard Overview – Air Quality Monitoring



# Cleanup Dashboard Overview – Air Quality Monitoring (cont.)



# Cleanup Dashboard Overview – Stormwater Management



Stormwater Management Best Practices





- Steps for Site Disposition:
  - Environmental Assessments Due Diligence
  - Site Use/Acquisition Decisions
    - Land Acquisition - \$0 Cost
    - Council/Community Engagement
  - Real Estate Due Diligence (if necessary)



# Next Steps (cont.)



- Post Incident Planning and Actions:
  - Certificate of Occupancy Process
  - Land Uses and Zoning Processes
  - Field Staff Environmental Awareness Training
  - Enhance Task Forces and Enforcement
  - Closer coordination with Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and other regulatory agencies on compliance and enforcement



# Next Steps (cont.)



- Quarterly Committee Updates
  - Due Diligence
  - Legal Issues
  - Process Updates



# Next Steps (cont.)



- Requested Action:
  - Request ENVIS Committee's direction for staff to develop options with public input for the disposition and best use of the site







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