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Dear Mr. Armstrong

Below are just a few of the questions or concerns that we have about the DEP proposal for the clean up at Bishop Tube. It needs a lot more work before it can be supported.

Remediation goals must be consistent with residential use of the Bishop Tube site.

The property is zoned residential, but this is not addressed in the remedial approach.

A residential standard has previously been identified by DEP consultants as a possibility, but the methods to achieving this have not been identified.

While responsibility for remediation may fall to different parties at different times, the DEP is responsible for ensuring the remediation protects human health and the environment.

More stringent residential standards should be applied throughout the process when designing, monitoring, and evaluating remedial actions.

The DEP must provide additional clarity regarding the pre-remedial investigations that are still required.

Additional evaluations are needed which will have a significant impact on the remedial design and outcome.

Some of the topics requiring additional data include, the evaluation of emerging contaminants including PFAS compounds, delineation of soils to residential standards, and completion of horizontal and vertical delineation of groundwater impacts, particularly with respect to deep bedrock.

The DEP must make sure that the public has the opportunity for input into remedial decisions as additional information becomes available.

The DEP must inform the community how technical and management challenges to remediation will be met.

Prior clean up attempts at Bishop Tube were unsuccessful. Better management techniques and ongoing performance assessment should be outlined within the plan.

The community needs clarification concerning areas such as duration of remediation efforts,

potential for production of additional toxic compounds, and protection of the Little Valley Creek.

The DEP must provide the public additional information on how it intends to evaluate and address the presence of DNAPL within the deep bedrock aquifer.

The DEP should inform the public, regarding how remediation will be financed and whether this may limit remedial activities.

The DEP must make more of an effort to ensure safety of residents and clearly communicate how these efforts will be developed and executed.

The DEP must address community concerns and provide close oversight and ensure adequate communication with the community throughout the remedial process.

The DEP needs to address topics including the ongoing monitoring, the evaluation of off-site vapor intrusions, risk assessment for expected future residential use, development and implementation of safety measures during remediation, and expectations for development.

The Township and community must have an opportunity for input into important decisions about remedial implementation.

There is a need for timely and rigorous oversight by the DEP and the Township should not have the role of managing environmental risk.

The DEP should facilitate a timely remediation through active management and oversight.

The DEP should address stormwater management oversight to be put into place during the remedial process.

DEP must be responsible to ensure the safety of the public and the environment. The township does not have the resources or the expertise.

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