

# **Advisory Committee Meeting**

Thursday, March 24, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. PST

# Meeting Agenda

## 9:00 – 9:20 a.m. Introductions and March 17, 2022 meeting recap<sup>1</sup>

- Participant introductions (see Attachment 1 and Attachment 2)
- Recap: Project focus, timeline, input methods, and meeting topics
- March 17 meeting key areas of input
- Parking lot: Next steps
- Questions

## 9:20 – 9:50 a.m. Discussion topic: Phthalates in the environment

- Objectives
- Discussion areas (see <u>Attachment 3</u>)
- Scope input

#### 9:50 – 10:00 a.m. Break

## 10:00 – 10:40 a.m. Discussion topic: Phthalates in the environment—continued

- Discussion areas (see <u>Attachment 3</u>)
- Scope input

## 10:40 – 10:50 a.m. Public input and questions

Scope input and questions

### 10:50 – 11:00 a.m. Next steps

Next steps in the scoping process

# **Project Links and Contact**

- Project webpage (on EZ view)<sup>2</sup>
- Online comment form<sup>3</sup> for feedback and guestions
- Washington Administrative Code 137-333-340<sup>4</sup>
- Project email: <a href="mailto:ChemActionPlans@ecy.wa.gov">ChemActionPlans@ecy.wa.gov</a>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.ezview.wa.gov/site/alias 1962/37711/phthalates action plan.aspx

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://hwtr.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=haD3V

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> https://app.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=173-333-340



# Attachment 1: Agency Project Staff (March 2022)

## **Ecology**

- Gary Palcisko, Air Quality Program
- Callie Mathieu, Environmental Assessment Program
- Autumn Falls, Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program
- Amy Leang, Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program
- Nathan Lubliner, Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program
- Irina Makarow, Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program
- Cheryl Niemi, Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program
- Amber Sergent, Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program
- Marissa Smith, Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program
- Sascha Stump, Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program
- Lauren Tamboer, Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program
- Emily Kijowski, Solid Waste Management Program
- Blake Nelson, Solid Waste Management Program
- Andrew Kallus, Toxics Cleanup Program
- Frances Bothfeld, Water Quality Program
- Justin Donahue, Water Quality Program (grant management)

#### Health

- Elinor Fanning
- Lenford O'Garro
- Nancy Bernard
- Trace Warner
- Emerson Christie

#### Fish and Wildlife

- Louisa Harding
- Mariko Langness
- James West

#### **Natural Resources**

• Erika Shaffer



# Attachment 2: Advisory Committee Members (as of March 21, 2022)

- Eileen Conneely, American Chemistry Council
- Tim Shestek, American Chemistry Council
- Peter Godlewski, Association of Washington Business
- Pat Harmon, BASF
- Dana de Leon, City of Tacoma
- Mary Henley, City of Tacoma
- Cheri Peele, Clean Production Action
- Nicole Thomsen, Collaborative on Health and the Environment & Snohomish County Health District
- David Adenuga, ExxonMobil Chemical Company
- Nsilo Berry, Healthy Building Network
- Teresa McGrath, Healthy Building Network
- Carrie Brown, Household and Commercial Products Association
- Ashley Evans, King County Hazardous Waste Management Program
- Tony Garcia, Multicare Health System
- Larry Dunn, National Tribal Toxics Council
- Amy Ohlinger, Northwest Biosolids
- Daniel Thompson, Northwest Biosolids Board
- Steve Thompson, Northwest Biosolids Board
- Sheela Sathyanarayana, Seattle Children's Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit
- Shirlee Tan, Public Health Seattle King County
- Mike LaScuola, Spokane Regional Health District
- Erika Schreder, Toxic-Free Future
- Laurie Valeriano, Toxic-Free Future
- Grant Nelson, True North Public Affairs (Representing the American Chemistry Council)
- Dom DeCaria, Vinyl Institute
- Cristina Indiveri, Vizient
- Jody Snyder, Washington Refuse and Recycling Association
- Heather Trim, Zero Waste Washington



# Attachment 3: March 24, 2022 Discussion Area Questions

This is a list of **preparatory questions** for you to consider. These questions are meant as a place to start the discussion and receive your input on the topic area.

- The questions will not be the only points of discussion on the topic—we want to explore what is of interest to you.
- You are welcome to provide information or materials that might be relevant to answering the questions during or after the meeting.

#### **Objectives**

- Identify pathways that lead to environmental contamination
- Determine areas for recommendations to reduce potential human exposure and impacts on biota and the environment
- Hear ideas and input from stakeholders relating to this topic

## General questions

The following are questions to consider throughout the four discussion areas (ambient air, stormwater and sediment, soil, and biota):

- What are the data gaps that must be addressed to better understand the impact of various phthalate sources on each of the identified environmental pathways of concern?
  - Such as sampling strategies, analytical methods, screening levels, which phthalates are included and not included, etc.
- How can pseudo-persistence of phthalates inform management strategies?
- Are there environmental breakdown products of phthalates that are toxic? Are there measurement data on these?

## Ambient air questions

- What monitoring of phthalates in ambient air, including particulate matter, is needed to support understanding of sources and environmental fate of phthalates?
- Do we have data to determine whether point or non-point sources emit more phthalates to ambient air in Washington?

#### Stormwater contribution to phthalates in sediment questions

- What contribution does stormwater make to phthalate concentrations in Washington state waters and sediments?
  - O Where are the greatest impacts?
  - o Are the most important sources of phthalates in stormwater known?
  - Is the air-deposition-stormwater-sediment pathway proposed in 2007 applicable to other phthalates?
- What recommendations could we make to mitigate stormwater and sediment contamination and improve monitoring for phthalates?

#### Soil questions

- How much monitoring for phthalates in soils has occurred in Washington?
- Are all the polyethylene films used in agriculture in Washington phthalate-free?

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# Biota questions

- Which species are sensitive to phthalates or their breakdown products in the environment? Are some phthalates of greater concern?
- Do we need to improve methods for monitoring phthalates in biota?
  - o Species and tissues to monitor
  - Sampling strategies
  - Analytical methods
  - Laboratory practices to minimize contamination.
- What do we know about phthalates in fish, game, and vegetation that humans consume? Are there human health implications?