

2025-09-22_Gasco: Data Screening

Meeting Title:	Gasco: Data Screening
Date/Time:	September 22, 2025 / 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Attendees:	AQ: Halah Voges, Matt Davis, Ariel Blanc EE: Rob Ede DEQ: Wes Thomas, Amber Lutey, Jennifer Peterson
Location:	MS Teams

Meeting Notes:

- Draft FS Specific Comment #16a
 - AQ explains the data screening and analytical hierarchy approach used for the FS at a high level. AQ notes that the hierarchy was developed so that they could combine several sources of data, particularly older data. The hierarchy is intended to select the most appropriate values that offered the highest resolution where multiple results were reported. DEQ and AQ previously discussed the methodology with the RI/HERA Addendum. AQ opted to be consistent with the hierarchy used in the RI/HERA Addendum.
 - DEQ notes that we commented on the data hierarchy when we reviewed the RI/HERA Addendum. DEQ opted to not require NW Natural to revise the RI/HERA Addendum in the interest of time, but we would have required NW Natural to select the highest detected value if analytes were detected via multiple methods for the same sample.
 - AQ states that since the baseline groundwater dataset is so large, it would be a significant effort to update the baseline data screening. However, NW Natural could update the current conditions dataset.
 - DEQ asks if the issue is limited to groundwater data, or if it also includes soil.
 - AQ clarifies that it does affect soil and groundwater.
 - DEQ asks AQ how many analytes are reported via more than one method.
 - AQ states that it is more common in groundwater than soil. Naphthalene is the most frequent and common example. But there are about 9 analytes in soil and 28 analytes in groundwater that show up via more than one method. AQ notes that not all of those analytes are Gasco COCs.
 - DEQ will discuss further internally and follow up.
- Draft FS Specific Comment #16b (Siltronic Data Use)
 - AQ clarifies that they will include the newer Siltronic data in the revised FS.
- Draft FS Specific Comment #80 (screening against Table 17 CULs)
 - Specific Comment #80 requires NW Natural to screen groundwater data against Portland Harbor Table 17. EE clarifies that DEQ's previous comments on the PRG tables required NW Natural to exclude Table 17 CUL screening in the FS.
 - DEQ will honor previous comments to not include Table 17 CULs. The revised FS RTCs should cite DEQ's previous direction.
- Draft FS Specific Comments #82 and #83 (Individual PAH screening and mapping).
 - AQ will include/screen all individual PAHs in the Appendix J2 tables.
 - DEQ will discuss which individual PAHs we would like to see mapped and follow up.