



EBC Site Remediation & Redevelopment Webinar
MassDEP Regional Deputy Directors – Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup
Overview by Paul Locke, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup

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AGENDA

9:00 a.m. Welcome, Introduction and Program Overview



David Foss, CPG, LSP, Program Chair & Moderator
Chair, EBC Site Remediation & Redevelopment Committee
Senior Vice President – Principal Hydrogeologist
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9:15 a.m. Programs and Priorities of the Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup



Paul Locke, Assistant Commissioner
Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup
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Regional Leadership of the Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup

- Mark Baldi, Deputy Regional Director, Central Regional Office
- Stephen Johnson, Deputy Regional Director, Northeast Regional Office
- John Handrahan, Deputy Regional Director, Southeast Regional Office
- John Ziegler, Audit Section Chief, Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup
Western Regional Office

10:30 a.m. Networking Opportunity

10:50 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. Moderated Discussion with Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup Leadership Team

Panel Moderator: David Foss, Wilcox & Barton, Inc.

Panel Members:

- Paul Locke, Assistant Commissioner
- Mark E. Baldi, Central Regional Office
- Stephen Johnson, Northeast Regional Office
- John Handrahan, Southeast Regional Office
- John Ziegler, Western Regional Office

12:00 p.m. Closing Comments – David Foss

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David Foss is a Principal Hydrogeologist who leads the Brownfield Redevelopment practice at Wilcox & Barton, Inc., connecting a broad range of public and private development interests. Focusing on the remediation and redevelopment of hazardous waste and petroleum-contaminated sites, he finds great satisfaction in the revitalization of urban neighborhoods and the social benefits of economic renewal. He identifies and implements solutions for projects involving difficult regulatory and technical issues. David is an expert in Brownfield incentive programs and policy. He identifies and implements solutions for projects with challenging environmental histories amid overlapping regulatory programs for Wilcox & Barton, Inc. projects.

David is active in numerous civic and professional organizations including the Licensed Site Professional (Massachusetts), Rhode Island Society of Environmental Professionals, the American Institute of Professional Geologists (AIPG), and the Massachusetts Geologic Society. He is a Certified Professional Geologist and Licensed Site Professional.

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Steve Johnson has a Bachelor's degree in Biology from Merrimack College, and a Masters in Public Health degree, Environmental Health concentration, from Boston University School of Public Health. He has worked at MassDEP's Northeast Region since 1984 when he was hired to be a Project Manager in the newly formed Waste Site Cleanup program. He continued to work in the Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup, eventually becoming the Section Chief for the Site Management Section which oversaw the assessment and cleanup of the Tier IA sites in the Northeast Region. He is currently the Deputy Regional Director for the Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup in the Northeast Regional Office.

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Paul Locke has been with the MA Department of Environmental Protection since 1987 and is currently the Assistant Commissioner for the Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup, overseeing implementation of the Massachusetts Contingency Plan to assess and clean up disposal sites, the Massachusetts Oil Spill Prevention and Response Act (MOSPRA), and the Natural Resource Damage (NRD) Program. Previously as Division Director for Response & Remediation, Mr. Locke oversaw operational aspects of the state cleanup program (including audits, compliance & enforcement and data management systems), the Federal Sites section, and also coordinated with other MassDEP programs. Paul has also served as Director of Policy and Program Development. Before joining Waste Site Cleanup 2002, Paul was head of the Risk Analysis Group within the MassDEP Office of Research and Standards, where he participated in environmental policy development, review of site-specific reports, and provided technical assistance to DEP staff and the regulated community. Mr. Locke has participated in numerous revisions to the site cleanup regulations, including the changes that resulted in a semi-privatized cleanup program in 1993. He was the primary author of the rules that determine "how clean is clean enough?" – the regulations on human and environmental risk characterization. Current projects include the development of a comprehensive soil management strategy and the implementation of DEP's vapor intrusion initiatives. Mr. Locke holds a Bachelor's degree in Chemistry from Harvard College and a Master's degree in Civil Engineering from the Tufts University program in Public Health

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