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NEWS ARTICLE

DRAFT ALBERTA TIER 1 SOIL AND GROUNDWATER REMEDIATION GUIDELINES (2006)

Alberta Environment is enhancing its management of contaminated sites, including a greater role for environmental professionals and the introduction of remediation certificates of petroleum storage tank sites in the fall. To support these changes, the Department is updating its policies and guidance documents to more clearly define Alberta Environment's expectations for contaminated sites management.

Members of the public are invited to provide comments on the *Draft Alberta Tier 1 Soil and Groundwater Remediation Guidelines (2006)* between August 22 to September 22, 2006.

Tier 1 remediation objectives are generic guidelines. This document is intended to provide a single, comprehensive source of Tier 1 soil and groundwater remediation guidelines for use in Alberta.

Once finalized, the soil and groundwater guideline values in the *Alberta Tier 1 Soil and Groundwater Remediation Guidelines (2006)* will supersede:

- *Alberta Soil and Water Quality Guidelines for Hydrocarbons at Upstream Oil and Gas Sites* (Alberta Environment 2001a); and
- *Risk Management Guidelines for Petroleum Storage Tank Sites* (Alberta Environment 2001b).
- *Alberta Tier 1 Criteria for Contaminated Soil Assessment and Remediation* (Alberta Environmental Protection 1994)

Values from the *Canadian Environmental Quality Guidelines* (CCME 2003) are also included in the *Draft Groundwater Remediation Guidelines (2006)*.

Comments on the draft *Alberta Tier 1 Soil and Groundwater Remediation Guidelines (2006)* should be directed to:

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For more information, please refer to the Alberta Government Environment website: www3.gov.ab.ca

OAK'S SUMMER ACTIVITIES

JULY



On July 6, the staff at Oak hosted a good ol' Stampede Breakfast gatherin'. Thanks for coming out!

JUNE

We are pleased to announce the recent addition of Sara Stewart to our staff. Sara is a recent graduate in environmental technology and assists in our rental and service area. Welcome to the team Sara!

MAY



To accommodate Oak's expanding rental fleet and to better serve our clients with their equipment and servicing requests, we have expanded our equipment service and rental area.

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Red Deer Lodge (Red Deer, Alberta)
www.wcwwa.ca

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September 20 – 22, 2006
Best Western Fernie Mountain Lodge (Fernie, BC)
www.clra.ca

Sea to Sky Geotechnique 2006 – 56th Canadian Geotechnical Conference & 7th Joint CGS/IAH-CNC Groundwater Specialty Conference

October 1 – 4, 2006
Fairmont Hotel Vancouver (Vancouver, BC)
www.seatoskygeo.ca

The Remediation Technologies Symposium 2006 (RemTech 2006)

October 11 – 13, 2006
Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel (Banff, Alberta)
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