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Question:

(ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION) Application, Ex. CLP-ENV-1, pp. 29–30. Regarding Site #63 Berlin Settling Basin:

a. Explain the origin of contamination at this site;
b. Describe the remediation actions undertaken at this site; and
c. Provide an itemized breakdown of the remediation costs at this site.

Response:

a. The origin of the contamination is not known; however, it is suspected the area of the settling basin was formerly the location of a pole training yard that included oil filled equipment. During the conversion of the area from pole training yard to settling basin, the impacted soil was reworked to form the settling basin.

b. The remediation consisted of clearing and grubbing, excavation and disposal of impacted soil, consolidation of PCB impacted soil, confirmation soil sampling and analyses, restoration of the site with a new underground stormwater detention system, installation of groundwater monitoring wells, and groundwater monitoring. Remaining PCB impacted soil was placed under four feet of clean fill and a marker layer to provide warning in the event excavation was required in the future. Some of the remediation extended to depths of approximately 24 feet below the ground surface which required sheet pile installation and removal. Following remediation, the groundwater was monitored to determine compliance with regulations, and an Environmental Land Use Restriction and a Federal Deed Restriction was placed on the site.

c. An itemized breakdown of the remediation costs from 2017 to 2025 is included in RSR-039, Attachment 1.