



Preapproval Program Funding Score Change

As you may remember, significant changes to the funding structure of the Florida Petroleum Cleanup Preapproval Program were made during the 2009 Legislative Session, which resulted in several temporary modifications to the funding procedure for the 2009-2010 Fiscal Year. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) is progressively removing some of the temporary modifications. Most recently, **the FDEP announced on September 10, 2009, that the funding threshold priority score would be adjusted from 60 to 56.**



While cost proposals for sites scored 56 to 59 had continued to be requested, submitted, and processed into work orders or task assignments, the FDEP had required that funding for these sites be “held” until funding became available. Through the September 10, 2009, *Revised Petroleum Cleanup Preapproval Program Procedures* announcement, the FDEP officially lowered the funding score and allocated funds immediately to those sites scored between 56 and 60.

Some restrictions, such as those limiting the maximum dollar amount and length of new Work Orders / Task Assignments and Verbal Change Orders (VCOs), are still in place. Specific details regarding the funding score change are provided in the September 10, 2009 announcement at the following link:

<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/waste/categories/pcp/pages/announcements.htm>

Please note that the guidance includes additional program modifications, such as the following: all sites with active remedial systems will be reviewed. If the system is not meeting Remedial Action Initiative (RAI) performance requirements, regardless of score, the system will be evaluated and a determination made as to whether to modify the system or cancel the remaining unperformed balance of the work order or task assignment.

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Broward County Emerald Award Program

Broward County recognizes environmentally responsible practices of residents, organizations, local businesses, and government agencies through the [Emerald Award Program](#). The Emerald Award Program has been in existence since the year 2000. The Program recognizes exemplary performance in the categories of Pollution Prevention, Hazardous Waste Reduction, Recycling, Green Practices and Innovation, Climate Change Leadership, and NatureScape Broward.

To be eligible for the Emerald Award Program, there are minimum qualifications for each category. Interested parties may submit applications for one or more categories. The applicant must be free of environmental enforcement actions for a period of one year prior to the date of the submittal of the application.

When applicants successfully fulfill the requirements for any of the identified categories, they become eligible for an Emerald Award Certificate. Emerald Award Certificate recipients have their names and addresses placed on the Emerald Award website that recognizes their achievements. So, consumers can shop for business lists of those who provide environmentally green services, as needed. Receiving an Emerald Award Certificate shows the public that the business has a commitment to environmental protection and promotes the company's environmental practices. At the end of the year, all of the Emerald Award Certificate recipients are reviewed by the Emerald Award Team and an Emerald Award Trophy is selected for the recipients that excel in each category.

The 2008 Emerald Award Trophy Winners were:

- [Chris and Lee Mobile Auto Care](#)
- [Florida Coca-Cola Bottling Company -Hollywood](#)
- [Gardner Foreign Auto Parts](#)
- [Green Children's House Early Learning Center](#)
- [JM Lexus](#)
- [Valley Forge Fabrics, Inc.](#)
- [Watson Laboratories, Inc. - Florida](#)



The 2008 NatureScape Broward Trophy Winners were:

- Art Constantino
- Mona and Walter Johnston
- Ron Phenix and Danny Meyers
- Samantha Seidman and Jack Levy
- Broward County Public Schools

To find out more about the program, or to see what businesses have won in the past, please visit the Emerald Award webpage at <http://www.broward.org/pprd/emeraldaward.htm>. You may also contact D'Arcy Damveld-Ansel at (954) 519-1213 or ddamveldansel@broward.org, or Kay Sommers at (954) 519-1257 or ksommers@borward.org.

FDEP Announces New Public Access Web Tools

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), in a continuing effort to meet their customers' needs, has introduced two new interactive tools – the Contamination Locator Map, known as CLM, or “Clem” and the Compliance and Enforcement Website. The CLM, as well as the FDEP's other web-based tools, can be found on their website:

<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/mainpage/tools/default.htm>

Contamination Locator Map

CLM is an online tool that allows users to locate waste cleanup sites near their homes, neighborhoods, businesses or any location on a Florida map. CLM provides users with real-time information online, but takes it a step further by allowing users to subscribe to receive e-mail updates. The CLM subscription service allows users who want to be notified on the cleanup progress of a specific site to receive e-mails from the FDEP when the site has reached one of the following four cleanup milestones:

Milestone 1 – Site Assessment is complete

Milestone 2 – Remedial Action Plan or Strategy has been approved

Milestone 3 – Approved Remedial Action Plan or Strategy has been modified

Milestone 4 – Site Rehabilitation has been completed

**Please note that it sometimes may be years between reaching these milestone events.*

Included in the resulting information for each site is the facility identification number, which allows users to access further information using another of FDEP's online tools, OCULUS (see below). While CLM is currently limited to petroleum cleanup sites, the FDEP is planning on expanding the application to Brownfield sites, Superfund sites, and other waste cleanup sites such as dry cleaning, hazardous waste and state-owned lands later this year.

Contamination Locator Map

Search Criteria: Sites within 1 mile of 1 North University, Plantation, FL 33324. Cleanup types: ▲ Brownfields ▲ Petroleum ▲ Superfund ▲ Other Waste Cleanup

For further information, please call the Waste Cleanup Hotline at (866)282-0787. If you wish to search again, please [click here](#)

Selected Places

- [Return to Original Results.](#)
- [Go to all selected places.](#)

Waste Cleanup Sites

- [Go to these 5 places.](#)
- [Printer Friendly View...](#)

- CHEVRON #47251-B12**
6901 W Broward Blvd
Plantation, FL 33317
Facility Id: 8501703
Active Petroleum Cleanup.
[Watch this site.](#)
[Go to this Place](#)
- CHEVRON #47278-COLLINS**
8741 W Broward Blvd
Plantation, FL 33324
Facility Id: 8501743
Pending Petroleum Cleanup.
[Watch this site.](#)
[Go to this Place](#)
- DRY CLEAN USA FT/LED PLANTATION LTD**
PLANTATION SHOPPING
7165 W Broward Blvd
Plantation, FL 33317
Facility Id: 53855
Active Other Cleanup.
[Go to this Place](#)
- FORMER ONE PRICE CLEANERS - SHOPPES OF JACARANDA**
8263 W. Broward Blvd.
Plantation, FL 33324
Facility Id: 275446
Active Other Cleanup.
[Go to this Place](#)

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On September 23, 2009, the FDEP was honored at the annual meeting of the Environmental Council of the States (ECOS) for creating and implementing the CLM Web tool. The ECOS State Program Innovations Award presented to FDEP is one of three state program awards given for outstanding innovations. ECOS is a national non-profit, non-partisan association of state environmental agency leaders. In 2007, the association launched the State Program Innovations Awards to recognize innovations that most spur member's interest. The FDEP press release announcing the award can be found at:

http://www.dep.state.fl.us/secretary/post/2009/0925_1.htm

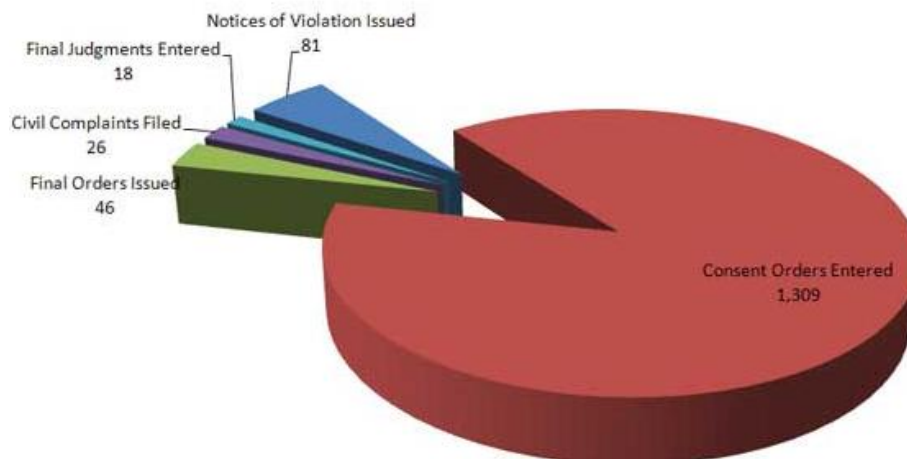
Many documents associated with the waste cleanup sites in CLM may be viewed in OCULUS™. This is a web-based document management system that is accessible to the public through the OCULUS™ website (<http://dwmedms.dep.state.fl.us/Oculus/servlet/login>), as well as in the left column of the CLM page. There are more than two million waste program documents available electronically in OCULUS™, although not every paper document associated with cleanup sites is currently available in electronic format. Upon entering OCULUS™, you will be prompted to begin a document search. It is important to have the facility identification number that is displayed with the other facility information in CLM when you begin your search. For more information on how to search for documents, please read the OCULUS™ [HELP GUIDE](#).

For any other information about cleanup sites in Florida, call the FDEP's Waste Cleanup Site toll-free number at 1-866-282-0787. You may leave a message including the name and facility identification number for the site in question. Every effort will be made to return your call within 24 hours. For additional information concerning all contaminated sites within Broward County, please refer to our March / April 2009 Newsletter (<http://www.broward.org/pprd/marapr09.pdf>), which discusses Broward County's Interactive Map of Contaminated Sites, or simply call 954-519-1260.

Compliance and Enforcement Webpage

The other Web addition is the Compliance and Enforcement Website, which offers insight into FDEP's compliance and enforcement philosophy and efforts – providing an overview of the Environmental Litigation Reform Act (ELRA), the penalty assessment process, enforcement statistics, as well as enforcement examples. The ELRA ([Section 403.121, Florida Statutes](#)) gives the FDEP the authority to pursue corrective actions and penalties up to \$10,000 without having to go to court, freeing up valuable attorney and compliance staff time to take on the state's biggest environmental violators. According to the website, ELRA has reduced the need to file lawsuits by 60 percent and decreased the average time involved in enforcement litigation from two years to four months.

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The Compliance and Enforcement home page is located here: <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/mainpage/ce/default.htm>, and the enforcement statistics can be found here: <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/mainpage/ce/stats.htm>. For questions about this article, please contact Matthew Theisen, P.G., at (954) 519-0323 or mtheisen@broward.org.

15th Annual Florida Remediation Conference

The fifteenth annual Florida Remediation Conference (FRC) was presented October 15th and 16th at the Orlando Radisson WorldGate Resort by the National Technical Communications Company, Inc., which publishes the Florida Specifier. Over 350 attendees, including staff from the Broward County Environmental Assessment and Remediation Section, were on hand to hear more than 27 speakers discuss the latest advances in remedial strategies and the current regulatory atmosphere. Over 75 vendors, including environmental laboratories, drilling firms, trade groups, and environmental consultants, showcased their products and services.

During the two-day conference, speakers were generally grouped into the following themes: bioremediation, chemical oxidation, drilling, and laboratory analysis and data quality. Of special interest was the use of green remediation systems that utilize alternative sources of power.

But it was the Florida Petroleum Cleanup Program Panel (Panel) which specially caught the attention of the attendees. The Panel included Mike Ashley, Bureau Chief for the Bureau of Petroleum Storage Systems of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Glenn MacGraw, P.G., Regional Manager for The FGS Group. While addressing the current status of the Inland Protection Trust Fund (IPTF), some of the issues discussed by Mr. Ashley included:

- Bond funds for the IPTF for the 2009 – 2010 fiscal year are yet to be received but they are obligated. Funds from the General Fund may be available for “borrowing” if there is a delay with the bonds.
- The Bureau is being more receptive to considering injection related remedial action proposals (e.g. bioremediation, chemical oxidation) without necessarily requiring them to be on a performance based cleanup basis.
- The Bureau is trying to expedite the Site Rehabilitation Funding Agreement process by avoiding lengthy negotiations between the Bureau and the applicants.

For the past 15 years, the FRC has given consultants, laboratory, regulatory agencies, contractors, and suppliers the opportunity to introduce their knowledge, products and services, as well as providing an opportunity for networking. The 2010 FRC is scheduled for October 14th and 15th, 2010. To inquire about vendor opportunities or to make a presentation, contact Mike Eastman at mreast@worldramp.net. Additional information may be found at the Enviro-Net website, which also provides information on Florida’s environmental issues and concerns: <http://www.enviro-net.com>

Feedback Forum

In order to improve the services we provide and better understand your needs, we need your feedback! Do you have a suggestion for the Times newsletter? Are there areas in which the Division can serve you better?

There are several ways to contact us:

- If you would like to comment on any of the Broward County Pollution Prevention, Remediation, and Air Quality Division’s services, you can access a survey at: <http://www.broward.org/pprd/>
- For questions or comments regarding this newsletter, you may contact Paul Waite, P.E., at (954) 519-1467 or pwaite@broward.org.
- If you have comments or questions regarding the Broward County Environmental Assessment and Remediation Section, you may contact Lorenzo Fernandez, P.E., at (954) 519-1249 or lfernandez@broward.org.



We look forward to hearing from you!