

APPENDIX 1 Best practice resources on managing contaminated land

The resources listed in Table A1.1 below are based on *Managing Land Contamination: Planning Guidelines: SEPP55 – Remediation of Land (SEPP55 Guidelines)*, guidelines made or approved by the EPA and on resources developed by the EPA and other NSW councils. They have been updated, where applicable, to reflect changes in the regulatory landscape.

The resources are also provided for processes ancillary to managing contaminated land, including underground petroleum storage systems, onsite and offsite

management of contaminants (including waste material) in soil, and the selection of consultants, among other processes.

A draft revision of the *SEPP55 Guidelines* (that is, the *Contaminated Land Planning Guidelines*) was released by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment in 2018 but has yet to be finalised at the time of finalising the model policy. As already noted, the Contaminated Land Framework includes (where appropriate) elements of the draft guidelines.

Table A1.1: Best practice resources available to Council on managing contaminated land and underground petroleum storage systems

RESOURCE	AUTHOR	DESCRIPTION
Assessment of Site Contamination Reports	RAMJO-REROC, Ballina and Bathurst CRCB projects	A resource to assist Council to ascertain the completeness of the report and to assist in the interpretation and use of its content. Also includes checklists to provide Council with a degree of confidence and certainty on the report.
Managing Offsite Transport of Soil	Ballina, RAMJO-REROC and FNWJO CRCB projects	A resource outlining best practices in the offsite management of soil, including soil that includes waste materials generated during remediation, for offsite processing.
Managing Asbestos in Development Control Processes	FNWJO CRCB project	A resource for Council on managing asbestos in its operations. It is complementary to the Council <i>Asbestos Management Policy</i> .
A Guide to Selecting a Consultant	RAMJO-REROC and Ballina CRCB projects	An important resource for Council to identify the required competencies and qualifications of consultants for specific stages of the assessment of site contamination, in the design and installation of underground petroleum storage systems, and in managing asbestos.
A Guide to Retail Service Station Owners on Managing UPSS Systems	NSW EPA (updated by RAMJO-REROC and FNWJO CRCB projects)	A quick reference guide on the obligations of owners, operators and site managers of UPSS infrastructure. This guide is a retired NSW EPA resource that has since been updated by RAMJO and its collaborators.
UPSS and Council ARA Responsibilities	RAMJO-REROC CRCB project	A quick reference guide for Council on their responsibilities as the ARA regarding UPSS systems.
Decommissioning an Underground Petroleum Storage Tank or System	NSW EPA	A fact sheet for Council on the process to decommission an underground petroleum storage system.
Statutory guidelines made or approved by the EPA	NSW EPA	The NSW EPA has made or approved a range of statutory guidelines dealing with different types of contamination. These guidelines are to be considered by accredited site auditors, contaminated land consultants, and those with a duty to report contamination to the NSW EPA.
Non-statutory guidelines made or approved by the EPA	NSW EPA	The NSW EPA has made or approved a range of non-statutory guidance documents dealing with different types of contamination. These guidance documents are to be considered by accredited site auditors, contaminated land consultants, and those with a duty to report to the EPA.

Note: RAMJO = Riverina and Murray Joint Organisation; REROC = Riverina Eastern Regional Organisation of Councils; CRCB = Council Regional Capacity Building; FNWJO = Far North West Joint Organisation.