

**Amendments to the Contaminated Sites Protocols
made under clause 8A(1)(c) and Section 90 of the
*Environment Act***

I, Tim Halman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change for the Province of Nova Scotia, hereby approve the amendment to the following Contaminated Sites Ministerial Protocols: PRO-100 Notification of Contamination Protocol, PRO-500 Remediation Levels Protocol and PRO-700 Confirmation of Remediation Protocol.

The amendments to the protocols must be made available to the public on the Department's website, which, as of this date, is found at: <http://www.gov.ns.ca/nse/contaminatedsites/protocols.asp> or at the Department of Environment and Climate Change, 1903 Barrington Street, Suite 2085, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

These amendments are effective on and after September 30, 2021 except in relation to a notification under the *Contaminated Sites Regulations* received by Nova Environment and Climate Change prior to September 30, or where a 30-Day Cleanup is initiated prior to September 30, 2021. In those excepted circumstances, Site Professionals and Person(s) Responsible can choose to evaluate the site in accordance with the amended standard or the amendments will take effect in the following manner:

1. (a) if the file closure documentation associated with a 30-Day Cleanup is not submitted to Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change by December 30, 2021 the amended standard will take effect as the standard to be applied in the site evaluation which is the subject of the 30-Day Cleanup; or
- (b) if the file closure documentation associated with a Notification of Contaminated Site is not submitted to Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change by September 30, 2023 the amended standard will take effect as the standard to be applied in the site evaluation which is the subject of the notification; and
2. if after the submission of the file closing documentation in 1(a) or 1(b), any further site evaluation or reassessment is required, the amended standard will take effect as the standard to be applied for any further site evaluation or reassessment

Dated and made at Halifax, Nova Scotia September 27, 2021.



Honourable Tim Halman
Minister of Environment and Climate Change