# REC PROGRAM SITE CLEANUP PROCESS OVERVIEW

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**IMPORTANT NOTE:** This chart should be used only as a supplement to the *REC Program Rules* and the latest *Implementation Guidance.*

Abbreviations:
RP - Remediating Party
REC - Registered Environmental Consultant
AA - Administrative Agreement
Branch - Inactive Hazardous Sites Branch
RI - Remedial Investigation
RA - Remedial Action
RAP - Remedial Action Plan
GW- Groundwater
★ - RP & REC Certified[6]
☾ - Work Phase Completion Certification[7]

RP hires REC & agrees to terms of AA with Branch[1]

Branch prepares public notice & mails to interested parties[2]

RP & REC sign AA and submit with initial REC Program administration fee payment to Branch[5]

AA signed and executed [2]
★ REC begins progress reporting per AA

Remedial Investigation

One phase

Two or more phases

★ REC submits Phase I RI Work Plan[8]

★ ☾ REC submits Phase I RI Report[9]

May be combined

★ REC submits Phase II RI Work Plan[8]

★ REC submits RI Work Plan[8]

Additional RI work phases may be necessary

★ ☾ REC submits Final RI Report[9]

REC develops conceptual remedy for site

Will proposed remedy:
(1) be conducted entirely on site and require a permit waiver *and/or*
(2) involve on site capping or containment *and/or*
(3) exceed $3 million in costs?[10]

YES

★ REC prepares summary of justification and submits to Branch for concurrence[10]

NO

★ REC submits proposed RAP[11]

Branch prepares public notice & sends to REC for mailing to interested partiesto begin 30-day public notice period[12]

★ ☾ REC responds to comments received during 30-day public notice period, and certifies RAP completion[12]

Certain RA documents may be combined. See Implementation Guidance Document

★ ☾ REC submits RA Pre-construction Report[13]

★ ☾ REC submits RA Construction Completion Report[14]

★ REC submits RA Progress Reports[15]

★ ☾ REC submits Final RA Completion Report[16]

## Timeline *(Milestones)*

0 Years - (*AA Execution, begin Quarterly Letter Progress Reports [see AA for any adjusted frequency])*

3 Years[3] - *(RI certified as complete)*

2 Years after RI Completion[3] - *(GW Remediation Initiated)*

8 Years after AA[3] - *(Non-GW Remediation Completed)*

***Please Note****
Discovery of:
(a) imminent hazards;
(b) migration of contaminants to adjoining property;
(c) sensitive environments; and/or
(d) commingled radio-active and chemical wastes
must be reported to the Branch within **24 hours**[4]

## Rules:

1 NCGS 130A-310.9(c)
2 NCGS 130A-310.9(b)
3 15A NCAC 13C .0302(h)
4 15A NCAC 13C .0305(b)(2)-(b)(3)
5 15A NCAC 13C .0307(c)
6 15A NCAC 13C .0306(b)(1)-(b)(4)
7 15A NCAC 13C .0306(b)(5)-(b)(6)
8 15A NCAC 13C .0306(g)
9 15A NCAC 13C .0306(h)
10 15A NCAC 13C .0306(i)
11 15A NCAC 13C .0306(l)
12 15A NCAC 13C .0306(j)
13 15A NCAC 13C .0306(m)
14 15A NCAC 13C .0306(n)
15 15A NCAC 13C .0306(o)
16 15A NCAC 13C .0306(p)

**Please Note:** Other technical reports, plans, and documents (e.g., addendums, amendments, etc.) also require RP and REC certification. Some of the above documents may not be necessary depending on the specific situations at some sites. For clarification, please contact the REC Program staff at http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/wm/sf/ihs/recprogram.