

# EPA PUBLIC NOTICE

## U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Reviews Cleanup at Shenandoah Road Groundwater Contamination Superfund Site

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is conducting its second five-year review of the Shenandoah Road Groundwater Contamination Superfund site in the Town of East Fishkill, Dutchess County, New York. This review seeks to confirm that the cleanup conducted at the site continues to be protective of people's health and the environment.

EPA issued a cleanup plan in September 2012 to address the volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in the groundwater. The plan included continuing the operation and maintenance of the existing Source Extraction Treatment System (SETS) to address the Dense Non-Aqueous Liquid source area; allowing the groundwater plume to go through natural attenuation which is the processes of dispersion, dilution, degradation and sorption of VOCs in order to reduce the concentrations; setting up a comprehensive monitoring program for groundwater, surface water and sediment; continuing to maintain the four existing vapor mitigation systems; continuing the vapor intrusion monitoring program; installing additional mitigation systems if needed; adding institutional controls (IC) that restrict drilling private residential wells to limit exposure to contaminated groundwater, as well as proprietary ICs in the form of environmental easements and/or restrictive covenants on the facility property to ensure that there is no construction or other invasive activities that would interfere with existing cleanup components, including the SETS.

A summary of these activities and evaluation of the long-term protectiveness of the cleanup plan will be included in the upcoming five-year review report.

### What is an EPA Five-Year Review?

The purpose of five-year reviews is to ensure that implemented cleanup plans at Superfund sites function as intended and continue to be protective of people's health and the environment. These regular reviews, which are required by federal law when contaminants remain at a site, include:

- Inspecting the site and cleanup technologies,
- Reviewing monitoring data, operating data, and maintenance records, and
- Determining if any new relevant regulatory requirements have been established since EPA's original cleanup decision was finalized.

### When will EPA's Five-Year Review Report be available?

It is anticipated that the five-year review report will be available at the website noted below in **March 2023**.

### For more information

The Administrative Record, which includes EPA decision documents used for selecting the cleanup plan, is available for public review at the information repositories listed below.

**Town of East Fishkill Library**  
Route 376  
Hopewell Junction, NY

**EPA Region 2 Records Center**  
290 Broadway, 18<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10007

### You may also contact

If you have any questions or concerns about the site or the five-year review process, please contact:

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