

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Reviews Cleanup at American Cyanamid Superfund Site

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is conducting its **sixth** five-year review of the cleanup of the **American Cyanamid Superfund site** located in Bridgewater Township, Somerset County, New Jersey.

This review will address previous cleanup work at impoundments 11, 14, 18, 19, 20, and 26 and confirm that the cleanup actions are still protective of people's health and the environment. The EPA completed the cleanup of impoundments 11, 14, 18, 19, 20 and 26 using several remedies documented in multiple Records of Decision. Between 1994 and 2010, the EPA dug up, made solid or solidified, and placed sludge, silt, tar, and soil from impoundments 11, 14, 19, 20 and 26 inside impoundment 8, which is an on-site disposal facility. The EPA oversaw the closing of impoundment 18 in 1998 after the installation of fencing, berm improvements, and groundwater monitoring to control the sources of contamination, and eliminate potential exposures.

Wyeth Holdings LLC, a subsidiary of Pfizer, Inc., is responsible for the cleanup of the site and performs regular surface water, sediment, groundwater, and air monitoring. All results are reported to the EPA and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

A summary of these cleanup activities and evaluation of the protectiveness of the plan will be included in the upcoming Five-Year Review report. **The report is scheduled to be completed by September 2024.**

What is an EPA Five-Year Review?

The EPA inspects Superfund sites every five years to ensure that cleanups conducted remain fully 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 regulatory requirements have been established since EPA's original cleanup decision was finalized.

For more information

The Administrative Record, which includes the EPA documents used for selecting the cleanup plan, is available for public review at:

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