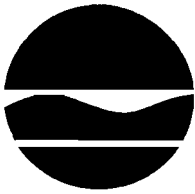


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**Record Of Decision
Available**



The Record of Decision for the Farrand Controls Site is available for you to review at the document repositories listed below. The Record of Decision summarizes site investigations, cleanup alternatives evaluated by the State, and comments received from the public about the selected cleanup alternative.

Mt. Pleasant Public Library
350 Bedford Road
Pleasantville, NY 10570
(914) 769-0548
Mon, Tues, Thurs: 10 am - 9 pm
Wed: 10 am - 6 pm
Fri and Sat: 10 am - 5 pm
Sun: 1 pm - 5 pm
Contact Ms. Karen Bucci for
an appointment

NYSDEC Region 3 Office
21 South Putt Corners Rd
New Paltz, NY 12561
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Please call for an
appointment

FACT SHEET

Farrand Controls

Valhalla, NY

April 2002

Site No. 3-60-046

State Announces Cleanup Plan for Farrand Controls



On March 26, 2002 the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in conjunction with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), issued a Record of Decision (ROD) outlining the cleanup plan for the Farrand Controls site. The ROD summarizes site investigations, cleanup alternatives evaluated by the State, and comments received by the public. The chosen remedy, outlined in the Record of Decision, includes:

- Subsurface injection of iron powder to treat contaminated groundwater in place. This will eliminate further off-site migration of contaminated groundwater and discharge of contaminated groundwater into the wetland area;
- Removal of contaminated subsurface soil near the main facility building;
- Repair of a damaged storm line drain that discharges into the wetland;
- Implementation of a groundwater monitoring program to verify the effectiveness of the remedy;
- Implementation of an indoor air monitoring program to verify that the remedial activities are not impacting indoor air quality within the on-site building.

About the Farrand Controls Site:

Farrand Controls is an active electronic component manufacturing facility located at 99 Wall Street, Valhalla, Westchester County. Currently owned by Ruhle Companies,

Inc., operations began here in 1959 by Farrand Controls. The 6 acre inactive hazardous waste disposal site consists of the portion of the property that lies between a large rock outcrop (behind the main building) and Wall Street. Results of the Remedial Investigation show that a plume of contaminated groundwater extends from below the southern end of the building into an adjacent wetland area. The primary contaminants are organic solvents: trichloroethene, Freon 113 and their breakdown products. A localized area of contaminated subsurface soil also was identified near the main building. Although the contamination poses no current public health concerns, remediation is required to prevent potential future exposures to contaminated groundwater and on-site subsurface soils. The Record of Decision describes the remedy that has been selected to clean up the groundwater and soil contamination.

The Next Step:

The NYSDEC will contact the Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs) (former and present owners) to begin negotiations for cleanup of the Farrand Controls site. If any or all of the PRPs agree to implement the ROD, design for construction of the remedy will begin under oversight of the NYSDEC. If agreement with the PRPs cannot be reached, the NYSDEC will evaluate the site for design and construction under the State Superfund.

For More Information:

The public is encouraged to review the Record of Decision and other site-related documents, which are available for review at the document repositories listed in the box on the first page of this fact sheet. You are encouraged to contact representatives of the NYSDEC or the NYSDOH at any time with questions, comments or concerns.

For Questions About:

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You can also contact NYSDEC personnel by calling our Toll Free Information number and leaving a message with your name, number and who you need to contact. The hotline number is: 1-800-342-9296.