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Langdon Marsh Commissioner

## PFOHL BROTHERS LANDFILL

Cheektowaga (T), Erie Co., Site No. 9-15-043

# FACT SHEET July 1994

This fact sheet is the second in a recent series regarding the Pfohl Brothers Landfill site. The purpose of the fact sheets is to update you on recent developments and information concerning the site. Specifically, this fact sheet will discuss ongoing design activities, interim remedial measures (IRMs) and a planned monitoring program.

#### **Design Activities**

Conestoga-Rovers and Associates (CRA), on behalf of the Potentially Responsible Party (PRP) Group, recently implemented a number of Pre-design Activities at the site. These include: a soils testing program to determine the extent of the landfill materials; the installation and testing of a small-scale groundwater collection system to better understand the characteristics of the upper groundwater; a landfill gas study to provide data to assist in the design of the gas venting layer; and a wetlands and floodplains assessment. These activities were performed voluntarily by the PRP Group but were planned and conducted with direct involvement and oversight by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). The purpose of this work was to supplement previous data and assist in the completion of the remedial design.

The findings of these activities will be presented to the NYSDEC later this summer, in a Preliminary Design Report.

#### Interim Remedial Measures (IRMs)

A component of the 1992 Record of Decision (ROD) for the site was an Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) program to be completed in advance of the final remedy. The ROD states that

the IRM would consist of the collection and proper disposal of drums and phenolic tars from both the 100-year flood plain and at concentrated areas within the site boundary. The NYSDEC initiated this program in 1992. The PRP Group subsequently voiced interest and signed a Consent Order to complete the remaining IRM work in 1993. As a result of the two efforts, nearly 4800 drums and over 1400 cubic yards of tars and impacted soils have been excavated and removed from the site. An IRM Completion Report is expected shortly. A copy of this report will be available for review at the document repositories listed at the end of this fact sheet.

### **Groundwater Monitoring**

In light of the (two-year) duration since the previous round of sampling and the time-frame associated with the implementation of the post-construction monitoring program, at the request of the NYSDEC, the PRP Group will conduct a round of groundwater sampling. This sampling round will involve collection of groundwater from perimeter and off-site wells. The sampling will take place in the next 1-2 months. This data will be made available for review at the document repositories.

Site related documents are available for public review at the locations listed below:

Cheektowaga N. Branch Library 735 Maryvale Drive Cheektowaga, NY 14225

NYSDEC - Central Office 50 Wolf Road Albany, NY 12233-7010 (518) 457-4343 Williamsville Public Library 5571 Main Street Williamsville, NY 14221

NYSDEC - Region 9 Office 270 Michigan Avenue Buffalo, NY 14203-2999 (716) 851-7220

If you have any questions concerning the site, please contact either of the following:

Michael J. Ryan, Project Manager NYSDEC - Albany; (518) 457-4343 Patricia Nelson, Citizen Participation Spec. NYSDEC - Buffalo; (716) 851-7220

If you have any questions regarding public health issues, please contact either of the following:

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In addition to being able to contact the above-noted individuals directly, you may wish to call the NYSDEC's toll-free number in Albany at 1-800-457-9296, where you can leave a message to which Mr. Ryan will respond.