



FACT SHEET

Public Meeting on Proposal to Clean Up Eighteenmile Creek Corridor Site

State Superfund Program

January 2010

Project No. 932121

You are invited to attend a
PUBLIC MEETING

Regarding the
**Eighteenmile Creek
Corridor Site**
to be held

Wednesday January 27, 2010

at
7:00 PM

at
**Lockport Public Library
23 East Avenue
Lockport, NY 14194**

Introduction

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) invites you to attend a public meeting to discuss a proposed cleanup plan for the Eighteenmile Creek Corridor Site. At the meeting, representatives from the NYSDEC and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) will discuss the proposed plan and answer questions from the public. The proposed cleanup plan, called the "Proposed Remedial Action Plan" (PRAP), is available for your review at the locations listed at the end of this fact sheet and the NYSDEC's public website (see next page).

Public comments on the PRAP will be accepted from **January 13 through February 11, 2010**. Comments may be delivered at the public meeting or submitted in writing to the NYSDEC project manager listed on the next page.

The Eighteenmile Creek Corridor Site is contaminated primarily with lead and chemicals called polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). While the exact sources of all the contaminants are unknown, industrial operations at the former Flintkote plant are suspected to be partly

responsible. For more information on these contaminants, visit the ToxFAQ page on the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry website at <http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaq.html>.

Description of the Proposed Remedial Action Plan

To address the contamination present at the site, the NYSDEC and NYSDOH have proposed cleanup alternatives for operable units 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of the Eighteenmile Creek Corridor Site. The cleanup activities proposed in the PRAP include the following:

- Removing sediments and excavating the creek bank at OU1 (Eighteenmile Creek and Millrace). The bank would then be restored and the creek monitored to ensure contaminants are at or below established standards;
- Removing hazardous waste and stabilizing the creek bank at OU3 (Former United Paperboard Property), OU4 (Upton Park), and OU5 (White Transportation); and
- Excavating contaminated soils at OU6 (Water Street residential properties).

Specific details of the proposed alternative at each operable unit will be discussed at the public meeting. The goal of the proposed alternatives is to clean up the site for the protection of human health and the environment.

What Comes Next?

A public meeting will be held on **January 27, 2010** (see box above) to discuss the PRAP. Written comments can also be submitted to the NYSDEC during the comment period. All public input will be factored into the Record of Decision (ROD), which will describe the cleanup alternative selected for the site. NYSDEC will respond to comments in a responsiveness summary included in the ROD. Fact sheets similar to this one will be distributed periodically to keep the public informed as the site cleanup continues.

Site Background

The Eighteenmile Creek Corridor Site consists of approximately 10.6 acres between Clinton and Harwood Streets in the City of Lockport, Niagara County (see map on next page). The site is bound by Water Street, Eighteenmile Creek,

residential properties and vacant land to the west; Clinton Street to the south; Mill Street to the east; and commercial property to the north. The Site has been subdivided into six Operable Units (OUs). OUs are portions of a site that for technical reasons can be addressed separately. The PRAP being discussed is specific to Operable Units 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6. A Record of Decision finalizing the cleanup plan for the Former Flintkote Property (OU2) was issued by the NYSDEC in 2006. These operable units will be discussed in more detail at the public meeting.

To determine the type and location of contamination at the site, a Remedial Investigation (RI) was completed by the NYSDEC in 2006, with a Supplemental RI completed in 2009. In 2009, a Feasibility Study (FS) was completed to evaluate potential cleanup alternatives. These reports are available at the locations listed at the end of this fact sheet.

The investigations documented the presence of approximately 105,200 cubic yards of ash fill containing semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and metals on the upland portions of the site, and approximately 14,500 cubic yards of creek sediment contaminated with SVOCs, PCBs and metals.

Who Should I Call If I Have Questions About the Site?

Should you have any question about this project, please feel welcome to contact these representatives:

Environment-Related Information:

Glenn M. May
NYSDEC Region 9 Office
270 Michigan Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14203
Phone: 716-851-7220

Health-Related Information:

Matthew Forcucci
NYSDOH
584 Delaware Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14202
Phone: 716-847-4385

Locations to View Project Documents

To keep you informed, NYSDEC has set up locations at which you may view project documents, including:

DEC Region 9 Office
270 Michigan Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14203
(716) 851-7220 *(Please call for appointment)*

Lockport Public Library
23 East Avenue
Lockport, NY 14194
(716) 433-5935

You may also access the PRAP at DEC's Region 9 Remediation page, <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/37554.html>. Look for the Eighteenmile Creek Corridor Site under the Niagara County project listings.

Site Location Map

