



## **Corps of Engineers announces extension of comment period for Spring Valley Formerly Used Defense Site**

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District is extending the public comment period for the recently released Site-Wide Proposed Plan for the Spring Valley Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS), offering the public an additional 30 days to provide feedback. This extension means public comments will continue to be accepted through September 28, 2016. The Proposed Plan outlines the recommended cleanup actions to address any remaining unacceptable risks posed by soil contamination resulting from chemicals of concern and potential unacceptable explosive hazards due to munitions and explosives of concern.

The Proposed Plan is based on the Remedial Investigation and subsequent Feasibility Study. The RI detailed the history of the site, including the previously completed investigations and work, such as removals of arsenic contaminated soil and munitions related items that have taken place at the Spring Valley FUDS since the 1990s. The Feasibility Study evaluated various clean-up alternatives, providing the basis for the preferred remedial alternatives identified in the Proposed Plan.

The public is encouraged to review the Proposed Plan in the public record and submit comments on the Proposed Plan, which can be found online under Project Efforts/Proposed Plan: <http://www.nab.usace.army.mil/Home/SpringValley.aspx>.

The Proposed Plan can also be found in the Information Repository at the Tenley-Friendship Branch Library, located at 4450 Wisconsin Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C.

A 45-day public comment period ran from June 13 – July 28 2016, however an extension to that was requested and has been granted. The additional 30-day public comment period will run from August 29 – September 28, 2016.

Written comments can be sent to the following mailing address: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: Chris Gardner, Rm. 11400, 10 South Howard St., Baltimore, MD. 21201; or by e-mail to: [christopher.p.gardner@usace.army.mil](mailto:christopher.p.gardner@usace.army.mil) no later than midnight September 28, 2016. Mailed letters must be postmarked by midnight September 28, 2016. Comments received during this extension of the Proposed Plan comment period will be considered along with previously submitted comments during development of the Decision Document. Comments will be addressed in a responsiveness summary which will be an attachment to the final Decision Document.

For more information about the project, please contact the Spring Valley Community Outreach Team at 410-962-2210 or e-mail [rebecca.e.yahiel@usace.army.mil](mailto:rebecca.e.yahiel@usace.army.mil).