



SPRING VALLEY MONTHLY PROJECT UPDATE FOR JULY 2011

This monthly Spring Valley Formerly Used Defense Site project update is provided by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Baltimore District, as part of its ongoing efforts to make information regarding the neighborhood investigation more accessible to community members, elected officials, Restoration Advisory Board members, and other interested stakeholders. Specifically, the monthly update is produced to provide those who follow the project with a current snapshot of regulatory partnering, planning and field activities, and is not designed to provide historical information or an overview of the project. Those individuals interested in broader project information, or who have follow-up questions regarding this update, are invited to contact our Community Outreach Team at 410-962-0157. You may also contact our project regulatory partners, James Sweeney (DDOE) at 202-535-2289 or Steven Hirsh (US EPA) at 215-814-3352.

Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP)

- The **4825 Glenbrook Road Remedial Investigation (RI)** report and supporting fact sheet will be posted to the Spring Valley Formerly Used Defense Site (SV FUDS) website by August 5th. A copy of the report will also be available in the Tenleytown Library. USACE expects to have the **Feasibility Study (FS)**, which develops, screens and evaluates alternatives for cleanup, and **Proposed Plan**, which identifies the Army's preferred alternative for cleanup, available in September. All the documents related to the 4825 Glenbrook Road property will be available on the website along with summary information to facilitate understanding of important details in the documents. The formal public comment period, which follows the release of the Proposed Plan, is tentatively scheduled to occur from September to October. A public meeting will be held during the public comment period. Please note that written comments can be received throughout the duration of the public comment period; information regarding how to submit written comments will be provided prior to the beginning of the public comment period.
- The Anomaly Review Board (ARB), which consists of USACE and its regulatory partners (US EPA and DDOE), met this month to analyze the data generated from the geophysical investigation of sixteen of the ninety Dalecarlia Woods Area grids that were surveyed from August 2009 to December 2010; the ARB selected areas to be investigated within these grids. The ARB will meet again in September to review the geophysical survey results for one remaining residential property on the 3900 block of 52nd Street, the American University Kreeger Hall Area and the remaining Dalecarlia Woods Area grids. Anomaly removal efforts for the remaining residential property, AU Kreeger Hall Area and Dalecarlia Woods Area grids are scheduled for fall 2011.

Groundwater Study

- The installation of sixteen temporary wells at American University in the vicinity of Kreeger Hall was completed in an effort to identify the source of elevated perchlorate levels in the groundwater in this area. The wells were installed, sampled and closed during a three week period in July. USACE's contractor, URS, is currently processing the data generated from this sampling activity. Also this month, data generated from the first quarterly sampling effort in May at existing groundwater monitoring wells and surface water locations, such as creeks and streams, was reviewed. The field team plans to conduct the second quarterly sampling effort the first week of August to assess whether seasonal fluctuations affect contaminant levels in groundwater within the Spring Valley project area.
- Three new deep groundwater monitoring wells are expected to be installed later this year to determine if perchlorate has migrated into the deeper groundwater flow areas. USACE is working with its regulatory partners and URS to obtain the appropriate permits to begin installation of the wells.

Removal of Soil with Elevated Levels of Arsenic

- Field teams completed the soil removal and backfill activities at fourteen of the eighteen 20-foot by 20-foot arsenic grids located in the Dalecarlia Woods geophysical investigation area adjacent to the Dalecarlia Parkway. USACE expects the four partial arsenic-contaminated grids remaining on the west side of Dalecarlia Parkway to be complete in August. Soil removal and restoration of these four grids will conclude the SV FUDS arsenic removal program.

Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)

- The next Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meeting will be held on Tuesday September 13th at 7 p.m. The RAB meets on the second Tuesday of each month (with the exception of August and December) at St. David's Episcopal Church, 5150 Macomb Street, NW. A special presentation on the **4825 Glenbrook Road Proposed Plan** will be presented by Brenda Barber, USACE Project Manager.