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Community volunteers needed for Spring Valley board

The Spring Valley Restoration Advisory Board is seeking residents who reside within the Spring Valley Formerly Used Defense Site project boundaries and would like to join the board. The board meets monthly, on the evening of the second Tuesday. Potential board members should submit an application by May 7.

The board has been instrumental in helping the Corps better understand community needs in the cleanup of the Formerly Used Defense Site at Spring Valley. For example, with the involvement of the community and partnering agencies, a decision was made to sample the entire 661-acre site for arsenic in the soil.

As the Corps develops plans to continue excavation of Lot 18, an area where debris and waste from Army WWI era activity have been identified, the board has received monthly presentations. The Corps will provide Lot 18 planning documents to the board members, continuing to seek the community's input.

Diverse community participation is integral to the efforts of the Corps and its agency partners to achieve an effective and responsive cleanup. The board will continue their contributions to the project, since several years of soil removal and additional investigation lie ahead.

Those interested may obtain an application on the Internet at usace.army.mil/projects/WashingtonDC/springvalley/rab.htm, or by calling 1-800-434-0988 to request that an application be mailed or faxed.

Applications should be submitted to the address on the form. Current community board members will review the completed applications and select the new members in June. The new members' terms will start in July.

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