



TARGETED BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT FORMER RICHWOOD LANDFILL

Richwood, WV

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SITE INFO/BACKGROUND

The site, approximately twenty-six acres in size, is located on the western end of Richwood, West Virginia. The property is entirely owned by the City of Richwood, which operated a small landfill for city residents and businesses until closure in 1986. The landfill portion of the property is estimated to be between six and eight acres in size.



What is a Targeted Brownfields Assessment (TBA)

EPA's Targeted Brownfields Assessment (TBA) program provides technical assistance to states, communities and non-profit organizations, to minimize the uncertainties of contamination on brownfield sites. EPA, at no charge to the community, will characterize a brownfield to determine the nature and extent of contamination. The assessment will be conducted by environmental consultants currently under contract with EPA. Results are provided to the community to assist them in redevelopment planning. The site must be known to be contaminated or suspected to be contaminated with hazardous substances.

DETAILS OF EPA'S SITE ACTIVITIES

A Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment is expected to be completed for the site in 2016. Phase II ESA sampling will be conducted in late spring 2016, after completion of the Phase I report, to determine potential recreational reuse options. The limited Phase II ESA will be performed to address site areas with potential redevelopment as a access trail for ATV recreational use.

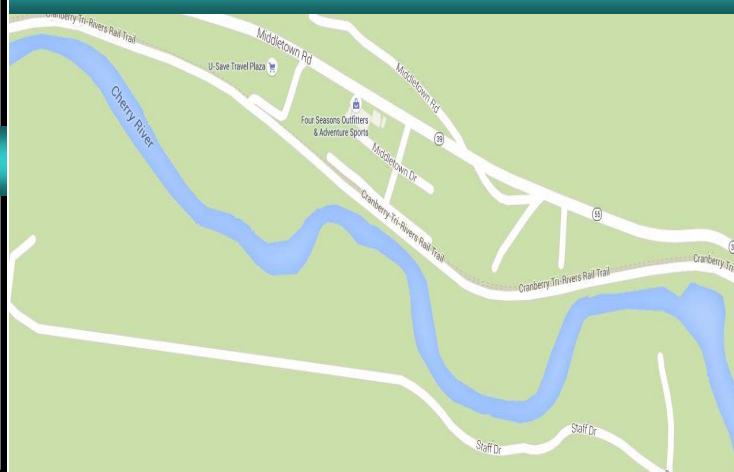
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information on TBAs or to request a TBA:
<http://www.epa.gov/reg3hwmd/bf-lr/technicalassistance.html>

Information on EPA's Brownfields program and Brownfields grant information can be found at:

<http://www.epa.gov/reg3hwmd/bf-lr/bfeligibility.html>

MAP



REPORT/INVESTIGATION FINDINGS

The estimated completion date for Phase II activities is late spring 2016.

REUSE/REVITALIZATION DETAILS

The City of Richwood has been evaluating reuse potential for their now closed landfill property for recreational use. Specifically, Richwood is interested in utilizing the property as a trailhead for all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) and utility terrain vehicles (UTVs). The property is situated adjacent to several thousand acres of forestland owned by Plum Creek Land Company, a project partner who is offering lease of their property for development of ATV/UTV trails. .

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q: What is a Brownfield?

A: Brownfields are real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant.

Q: Who is eligible to apply for a TBA?

A: EPA assistance will be offered for sites where control and ownership issues are not an impediment, and there are strong commitments to clean up and redevelop the site. The site should currently be publicly owned, or will eventually be publicly owned, either directly or by a municipality through a quasi-public entity such as a redevelopment authority or industrial development corporation. A nonprofit entity (e.g., a community development corporation) may also apply for assistance as long as the nonprofit or a municipality owns the site.

Q: What kind of technical assistance is provided in a TBA?

A: Generally, a Phase 1 and Phase 2 environmental site assessment. EPA can also provide analysis for risk assessment to potential contaminants and recommendations for site cleanup.