



RCRA Corrective Action Cleanup + Productive Use

Economic Profile

Remington Arms Company

Lonoke, Arkansas

CONTINUED USE



Ammunition Manufacturing

Located about 15 miles east of Little Rock, Arkansas, in rural Lonoke County, the 1,100-acre Remington Arms site has been making firearms ammunition since 1970.

Waste management practices at the facility prior to 1980 caused the soil to become contaminated with lead. With oversight by the Arkansas Division of Environmental Quality under the RCRA Corrective Action program, the site was cleaned up by excavating and treating lead-impacted soils. The facility's environmental conditions are now protective of human health and the environment. The Remington plant at the site continues to produce small arms ammunition for sporting and law enforcement, supporting 1,000 jobs and producing \$385 million in sales annually.

CLEANUP OVERSEEN BY Arkansas Division of Environmental Quality



EMPLOYEES

1,001



ANNUAL
SALES

\$385 million

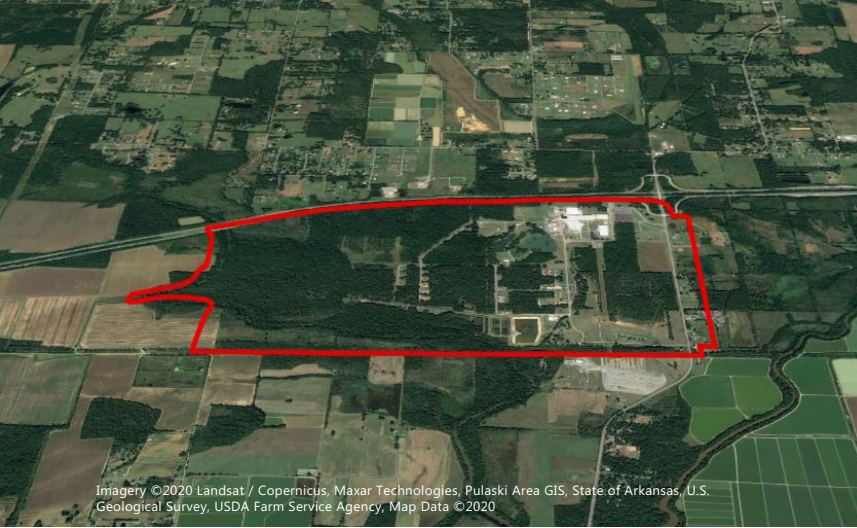


ANNUAL
WAGES

\$55 million

For more information about RCRA and the economic benefits of site reuse, visit www.epa.gov/hw/learn-about-corrective-action





THIS IS AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF STATE AND FEDERAL PARTNERSHIP WORKING TOGETHER TO CREATE ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS. THIS IS A WIN-WIN FOR ARKANSAS IN THAT WE CAN IMPROVE THE ENVIRONMENT WHILE SPURRING BOTH ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN THE PROCESS.

Becky W. Keogh, Secretary, Arkansas Department of Energy & Environment

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Throughout the cleanup process, Remington Arms continued manufacturing at the facility, producing more than a billion rounds of rimfire, centerfire and shot shell ammunition per year. In addition to the site's manufacturing operations, Remington manages over 700 acres of the property as wildlife habitat.

Remington Arms has gone above and beyond the facility's cleanup to improve the plant's environmental performance. In cooperation with the state of Arkansas and EPA, Remington reduced manufacturing waste and began recycling lead scrap. The company also worked with EPA's Resource Conservation Challenge program to develop a pilot project to recycle its wastewater sludge and dust. Remington also enhanced the site's ecology by creating a 20-acre moist soil impoundment for waterfowl habitat.

Cleaning up the site has helped the Remington Arms facility to continue to operate safely, leading to direct economic and environmental benefits for its workers and the community. Not only have jobs and revenue been maintained, but protection of the environment has been made a priority. Through the hundreds of acres of wildlife habitat being managed, and an emphasis on waste reduction and recycling efforts at the facility, Remington has made strides in sustainability in addition to continuing to be a leader in domestic firearms and ammunition production.

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Founded in 1816, Remington Arms is one of the largest domestic producers of firearms, and one of the nation's oldest continuously operating manufacturers. The Lonoke facility has been in operation for over 50 years.



Various types of ammunition are manufactured at the plant, using raw materials such as brass, copper and lead.

