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**FORMERLY UTILIZED SITES REMEDIAL ACTION PROGRAM**

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## LUCKEY FUSRAP SITE INFORMATION WORKSHOP

LUCKEY - An Information Workshop will be held on Tuesday, September 19, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Buffalo District to discuss the Luckey Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP) Site.

The Information Workshop will be held in the American Legion Post #240 at 335 Park Avenue, Luckey, Ohio. There will be three workshop stations: a station with information on the risk assessment process that will be used to develop the Baseline Risk Assessment (BRA), a station with information on the groundwater, and a station for general information about the site. Participants will have the opportunity to obtain information regarding these topics and to have their questions answered directly. USACE, Buffalo District encourages public participation in the decision-making process for the Luckey FUSRAP Site.

The Luckey Site, located at 21200 Luckey Road in Luckey, Ohio, is one of twenty-one sites scheduled for clean up under FUSRAP. FUSRAP is a national program that was initiated in 1974 for identifying and restoring sites containing low levels of residual radioactive materials resulting from the early years of the nation's atomic energy program. The Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, signed into law October 13, 1997, transferred management of FUSRAP to USACE.

Because some areas of the Luckey Site have low-level residual radioactivity exceeding guidelines and beryllium waste, a Remedial Investigation of the site's environmental conditions began in 1997. USACE, Buffalo District conducted testing for beryllium, radioactive contamination, and other contaminants. The following areas were tested: on-site and off-site soils, on-site and off-site groundwater and tap water, Toussaint Creek (surface water and sediment), on-site and off-site drainage ditches (surface water and sediment), on-site buildings, and on-site air. The Remedial Investigation Report will be released this fall. The report will be placed in the administrative record file, which is available to the public at the Luckey Public Library, 228 Main Street, Luckey, Ohio. The administrative record file contains the documents USACE, Buffalo District will use to develop the proposed actions for the Luckey Site.

A Baseline Risk Assessment (BRA) is being developed as part of the Remedial Investigation. This information will be used to evaluate potential current risk to human health and the environment. Results of the BRA will be used to help develop cleanup levels for the contaminants on and off site. Based on our sampling results and under current use conditions, there is no immediate health risk from beryllium or radioactive contaminants.

USACE, Buffalo District has also completed groundwater depth testing on 23 on-site monitoring wells, 12 monitoring wells in the farm field to the north of the site, and 41 area residential drinking water wells. By using the depth measurements from this testing, and local geologic information, it is now possible to predict movement of groundwater at the site and in the vicinity of the site. This information will be used in the Feasibility Study to model and predict the

movement of groundwater for different cleanup alternatives.

The Feasibility Study for the project began this summer. The Feasibility Study organizes the site into five operable units: on-site soils, off-site soils, groundwater, Toussaint Creek sediment and on-site buildings. The Feasibility Study will be used to determine if cleanup of these five operable units is necessary; and if so, to develop cleanup alternatives. Current schedules estimate that this report will be complete next summer.

After the Feasibility Study is complete, the proposed plan outlining the proposed remedial alternatives will be released for public comment next fall. USACE, Buffalo District plans to meet with the public when the Feasibility Study is complete, and again when the Proposed Plan is released.

Citizens interested in being added to the Luckey Site mailing list or seeking additional information regarding the site can contact the USACE FUSRAP Public Information Center toll-free at 1-800-833-6390. The internet website for the USACE, Buffalo District is <http://www.lrb.usace.army.mil/fusrap>.



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