



**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Buffalo District**

NEWS RELEASE

Building Strong®

For Immediate Release:
September 10, 2015

Contact:
Bruce Sanders, Public Affairs
716.879.4410 or 716.481.5439 (cell)
Bruce.I.Sanders@usace.army.mil

FEASIBILITY STUDY AND PROPOSED PLAN AVAILABLE AND PUBLIC MEETING TO BE CONDUCTED FOR THE LANDFILL OPERABLE UNIT OF THE TONAWANDA LANDFILL VICINITY PROPERTY

BUFFALO, NY -- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Buffalo District is pleased to announce the release of the *Feasibility Study* and the *Proposed Plan for the Landfill Operable Unit of the Tonawanda Landfill Vicinity Property*, located in the Town of Tonawanda, New York. Both documents were prepared as part of the Corps of Engineers' environmental response project conducted under the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP).

The feasibility study outlines remedial alternatives which would be appropriate to mitigate potential future unacceptable risks from exposure to the buried FUSRAP-related material in the Landfill Operable Unit of the vicinity property. The proposed plan documents the Corps of Engineers' preferred alternative, which is Alternative 3, Targeted Shallow Removal and Off-site Disposal of FUSRAP-related Material, to address contaminated soils in the Landfill Operable Unit. Alternative 3 will be protective of human health and the environment; complies with applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements; and is the preferred alternative among those considered, particularly with respect to short-term effectiveness, implementability and cost.

The public is encouraged to review and comment on the proposed plan. The public comment period begins September 14, 2015, and ends November 14, 2015.

A public meeting regarding the proposed plan will be conducted on Thursday, October 15, 2015, in the Community Room of the Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda Union Free School District Philip Sheridan Building at 3200 Elmwood Avenue, Kenmore, New York 14217. Members of the Corps of Engineers' project delivery team will be available to answer questions regarding the feasibility study and proposed plan from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. The presentation will begin at 7 p.m. A court recorder will be available to record the presentation and verbal comments. Written comments may be provided that evening; emailed to fusrap@usace.army.mil; or mailed to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Buffalo District, Attention: Environmental Project Management Team, 1776 Niagara Street, Buffalo, NY 14207, before the close of the comment period.

--MORE--

Both documents are available on the Tonawanda Landfill Vicinity Property website at: <http://www.lrb.usace.army.mil/Missions/HTRW/FUSRAP/TonawandaLandfill.aspx>. The administrative record file, which contains CERCLA-related documentation used in the decision-making process for the Tonawanda Landfill Vicinity Property, is available for review on the web and by appointment at the Buffalo District Office Library located at 1776 Niagara Street in Buffalo, New York.

The Corps issued the feasibility study and proposed plan under its authority to execute FUSRAP. When implementing FUSRAP the Corps follows the phased investigation process required in the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act, as amended, and the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan.

For further information on the Landfill Operable Unit of the Tonawanda Landfill Vicinity Property, please visit the project website, send an email to fusrap@usace.army.mil or call (800) 833-6390 (Option 4).

###