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Buffalo District

Guterl Steel FUSRAP Site

Fact Sheet

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The Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP) was initiated by the Atomic Energy Commission in 1974 to identify and clean up or control sites that were part of the Nation's early atomic energy and weapons program. This fact sheet has been prepared to address community outreach needs and is consistent with provisions of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA).

Site Description

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is investigating the nature and extent of radiological contamination at the former Guterl Specialty Steel site (formerly Simonds Saw and Steel site) in the city of Lockport, New York. The site is located about 20 miles northeast of Buffalo, and is bordered by Route 93 to the west, Route 31 to the north, and Ohio Street and the Erie Barge Canal to the south and east.

Site History

The former Manhattan Engineer District and Atomic Energy Commission used this site for atomic energy and defense activities between 1948 and 1955. The facility was used for foundry work and rolling mill operations on over 25-million pounds of uranium metals and over 30-thousand pounds of thorium metals.

Current Status

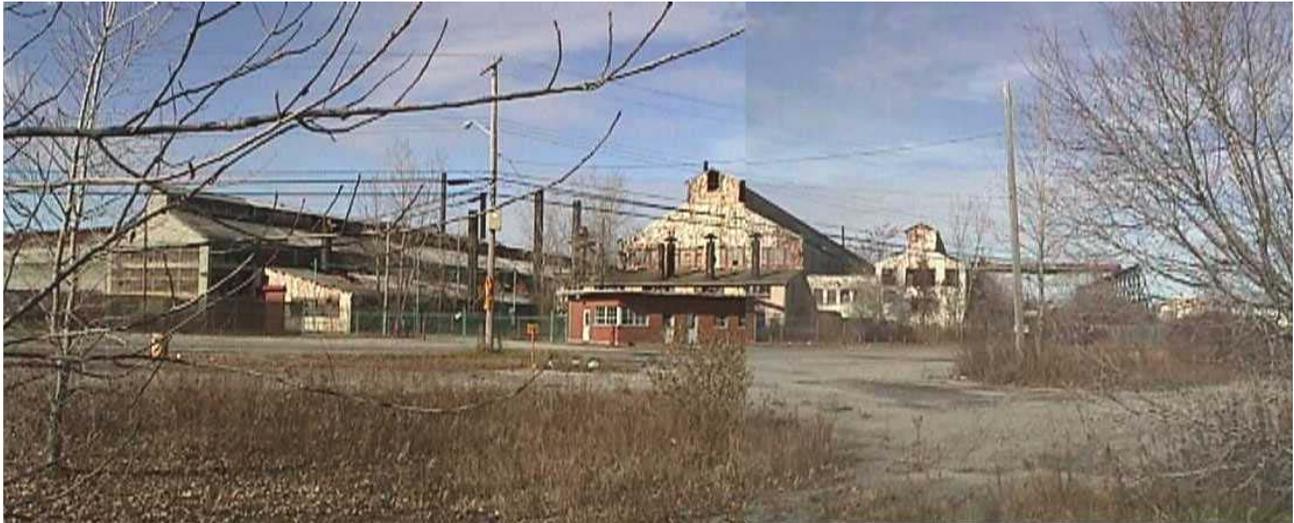
A Preliminary Assessment/Site Inspection Report, released in 2001, recommended a Remedial Investigation to further characterize radiological contamination.

The Remedial Investigation is underway. USACE reviewed historical information and coordinated with state, county and local agencies, and stakeholders. Project specific goals and data quality objectives are established and a data gap analysis was completed. Data quality assurance and control measures were developed for sampling of site surface soil, subsurface soil, groundwater, sediments, surface water, and building media. Sampling and associated data gathering activities were completed in December 2007. Independent laboratory analytical data is under review and will be used to define the nature and extent, and quantity of radiological contamination and to evaluate the potential risk to human health and the environment from the contamination.



Aerial view looking southwest

Work scheduled in 2008 includes development of a groundwater model, preparing a fate, transport and exposure analysis, performing a baseline risk assessment and evaluating legally applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements (ARARs). The results will be documented in a Remedial Investigation Report that is scheduled to be completed in early 2009.



View of excised property from Ohio Street

For More Information

For more information, please call the Buffalo District's FUSRAP toll-free public access line.
Your call will be returned promptly.

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