

Tonawanda Landfill Vicinity Property News from the Corps

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Hello from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Buffalo District:

We are pleased to announce that the Record of Decision for the Landfill Operable Unit of the Tonawanda Landfill Vicinity Property is available in the Reports Section of the Tonawanda Landfill Vicinity Property Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP) website at:

<http://www.lrb.usace.army.mil/Missions/HTRW/FUSRAP/Tonawanda-Landfill.aspx>.

The selected remedy is Alternative 3 from the proposed plan: Targeted Shallow Removal and Off-Site Disposal of FUSRAP-Related Material. Implementing this remedy will involve excavating FUSRAP-related materials exceeding cleanup goals in the top five feet of the surface, transporting them off-site, and disposing of them at a permitted disposal facility.

The selected remedy will protect human health and the environment, and complies with regulations. Furthermore, it provides the best balance of long-term effectiveness, short-term effectiveness, and cost, and has the highest implementability of the three considered alternatives. The start of remedial design and remedial action depends on the availability of national program funding, and the completion of cleanup already underway at other sites.

This project is authorized under FUSRAP, which was initiated 1974 to identify, investigate, and, if necessary, clean up or control sites contaminated as a result of activities conducted in support of the Nation's early atomic energy and weapons program. The Corps of Engineers is the lead federal agency for this project, executing FUSRAP in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended, and the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan.

The administrative record file, which contains CERCLA-related documentation used in the decision-making process for the Tonawanda Landfill Vicinity Property, is available on the website and is also available for review by appointment at the Buffalo District Office Library, 1776 Niagara Street, Buffalo, New York.