



United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) B.F. Goodrich Superfund Site

INSTALLATION OF GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL

EPA contractors will be installing a groundwater monitoring well near your residence or business as part of the Agency's investigation and cleanup of groundwater pollution in the Rialto area.

WHAT:

Drilling and construction of a 900-foot deep groundwater monitoring well

WORK SCHEDULE:

Monday through Friday, typically 7 AM to 5:30 PM

HOW LONG:

Heavy construction for three to four weeks, then more limited activity for another three to four weeks

WHERE:

See Figure 2 for planned well location

WHY:

To provide information EPA needs to clean up groundwater pollution in Rialto and Colton

WHO:

Private contractors working for EPA



Figure 1: *Groundwater Well Installation*

Sound-reducing blankets will be used to reduce noise, but well-drilling may be noisy at times, and vehicle traffic may need to be temporarily rerouted. We will work to minimize the impact on neighboring residents and businesses.

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BACKGROUND:

The testing and manufacture of flares, solid-fuel rockets, and fireworks starting in the 1950s is believed to have polluted the groundwater in parts of Rialto and Colton. The two main pollutants are perchlorate, a component of flares, rockets, and fireworks, and trichloroethylene, a cleaning solvent. EPA is working with Rialto, Colton, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, and other government agencies to determine the full extent of contamination and clean up the pollution.

Groundwater continues to be an important source of drinking water to residents and businesses in Rialto, Colton, and Fontana. Local water utilities continue to pump water from clean areas and have installed water treatment equipment to remove the pollutants in locations affected by the pollution.



Figure 2: Planned groundwater monitoring well location

WHAT IS SUPERFUND?

It is the Federal environmental program established in 1980 to investigate and clean up abandoned hazardous waste sites. To accomplish its mission, EPA works closely with communities, Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs), and state and local authorities. For more information on the Superfund Program visit www.epa.gov/superfund

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