



Former McClellan Air Force Base

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Proposed Cleanup Plan and Public Meeting for the McClellan FOSET # 2 Action Sites

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is requesting public comment on the Proposed Plan (Plan) to clean up 43 primarily industrial sites requiring further remedial action (Action Sites) within the areas referred to as the “Finding of Suitability for Early Transfer (FOSET) # 2 Property” (See Figure 1). The Plan summarizes the various cleanup options for the Action Sites and the preferred cleanup alternatives. EPA will review and consider all public comments received during the public comment period of January 6 through February 7, 2014, before making the final cleanup decision, which will be documented in the FOSET # 2 Action Sites Record of Decision (ROD).

This fact sheet is a brief summary of the full Proposed Plan. The full Plan has more detailed information. EPA invites you to review the full Plan electronically at the website listed in the blue box below or in hard copy at the information repositories listed on the back of this fact sheet.

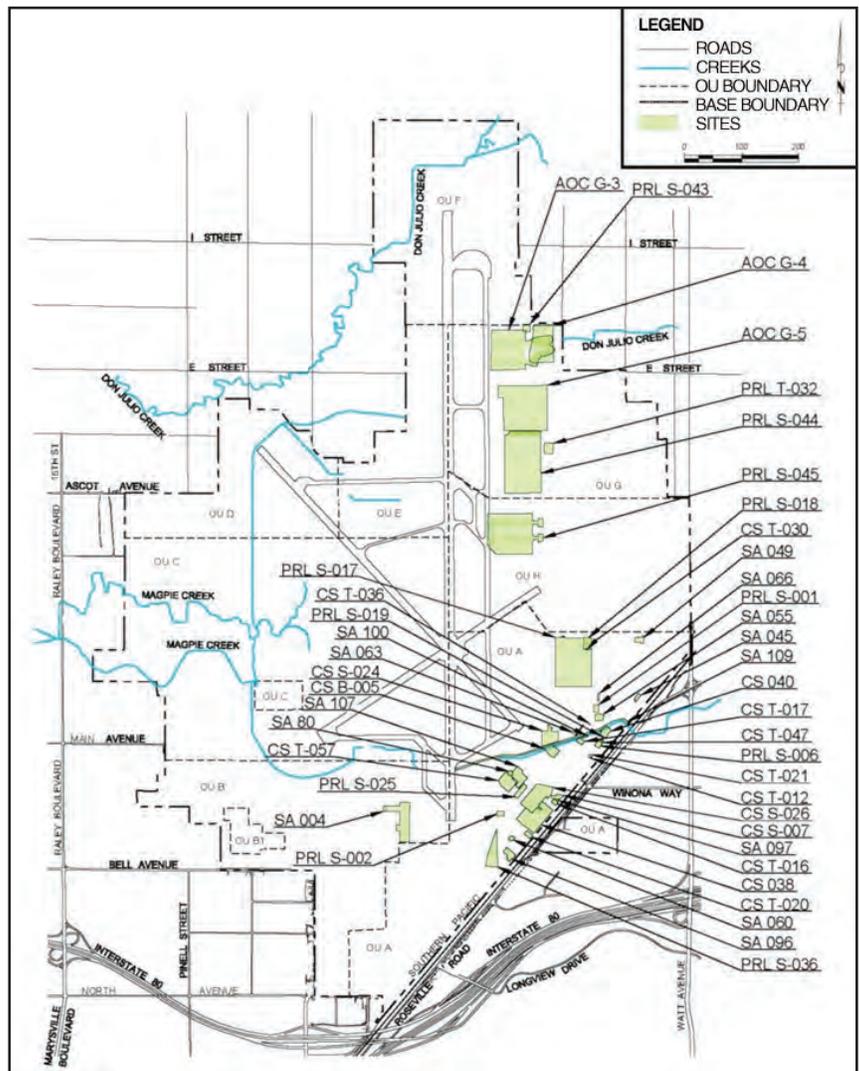


Figure 1: FOSET # 2 Action Sites at McClellan

Public Meeting

A Public Meeting on the Proposed Plan is scheduled for January 21, 2014, at 6:30 – 8:30 PM (Poster/Availability Session at 5:30 PM) at the North Highlands Recreation Center, 6040 Watt Ave, North Highlands, CA 95660.

Please Tell Us What You Think.

For more information or a copy of the Plan please visit us @ www.epa.gov/region09/mcclellanafb



Cleanup Process

The Action Sites cleanup is required by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) and the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP). This cleanup uses an innovative process called Privatization, by which the Department of Defense provides cleanup funds to a new owner with the goal of speeding up the site's redevelopment. McClellan Business Park (MBP), the new owner and developer, is required to investigate and clean up contamination in the top 15 feet of soil (with the exception of four sites where cleanup will extend to depths between 20 and 30 feet). EPA, in consultation with State regulatory agencies represented by the Department of Toxic Substances Control and Central Valley

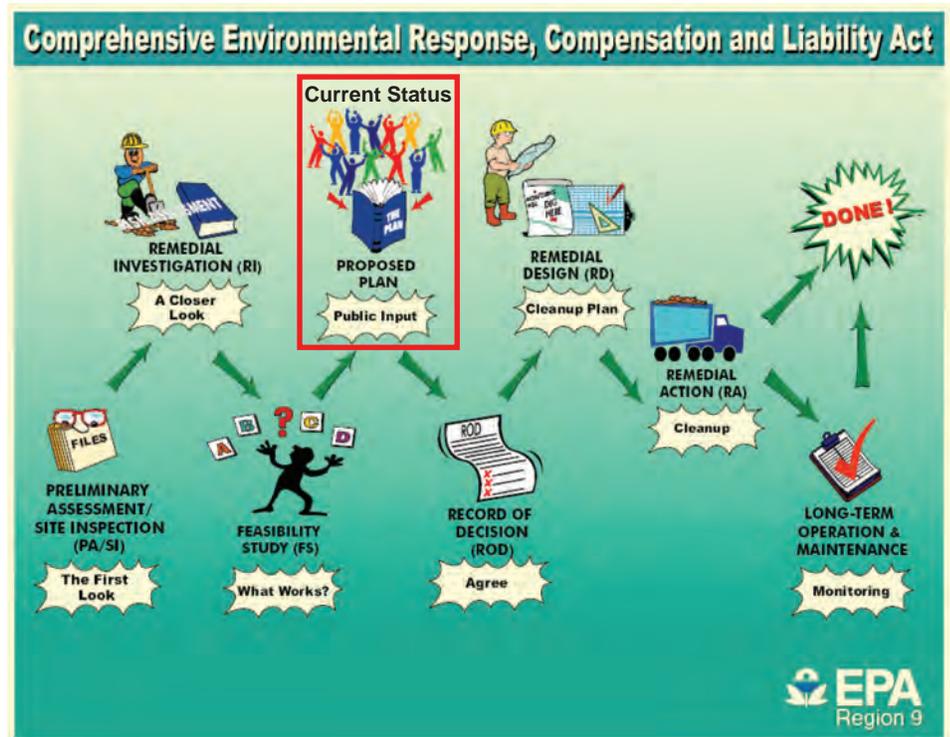


Figure 2: Identifies significant milestones that have led to this key public comment period of the Proposed Plan

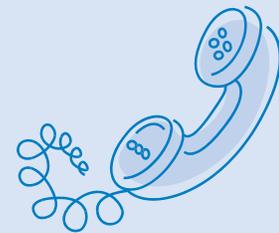
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Regional Water Quality Control Board, will decide how the contamination will be cleaned up. Privatization does not affect the Air Force's duty to clean up contamination in soil below 15 feet or in groundwater.

This proposed Superfund program cleanup will be conducted using the Superfund cleanup process, as described in Figure 2.

The Air Force has taken previous actions to reduce risks to public health and the environment at McClellan. Cleanup of contaminated groundwater began in 1987 and continues, according to the plan chosen in the 2007 Basewide Groundwater ROD. Groundwater cleanup is being done in coordination with the ongoing program to address contamination in soil. The Action Sites Proposed Plan supplements all previous environmental cleanup efforts at McClellan and future plans will address all remaining contaminated sites.

EPA's Proposed Cleanup Options

EPA's Action Sites Plan addresses 43 sites in the eastern portion of the former base. These include former staging and storage areas for hazardous materials, drainage ditches, and fuel tank locations. Chemicals at these sites include volatile organic compounds (VOCs) such as trichloroethene (TCE), tetrachloroethene (PCE), and vinyl



Figure 3: Sites CS S-026, CS S-007, CS T-016, and SA 097, View to the South



Figure 4: Site PRL S-002, View to the Northwest

chloride in soil gas. Non-volatile organic compound (non-VOC) chemicals of concern in soil include metals such as lead and cadmium. Semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) in soil include polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and petroleum hydrocarbons.

EPA has determined that contaminated soil and soil gas at these 43 sites pose an unacceptable risk to human health or the environment and require action.

Proposed remedies include (1) institutional controls to prohibit residential use; (2) engineering controls, such as barriers, to eliminate contamination pathways; and (3) excavation and disposal.

Due to the unique contamination at each site, some sites have more than one type of remedy. (See Table 2 of the Plan for a list of the remedies proposed at each site).

EPA believes the preferred alternatives presented in the Plan will protect human health and the environment, will achieve the cleanup goals, comply with applicable or relevant and appropriate federal and State requirements, are cost effective, and utilize permanent solutions to the maximum extent possible.

Both the California Department of Toxic Substances Control and the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board have concurred on the Plan for the Action Sites. EPA plans to issue a Record of Decision selecting the cleanup remedies for the Action Sites by the end of 2014.

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