Cooper Road Dump

New Jersey

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EPA REGION 2

Congressional District(s): 01

Camden Voorhees Township

NPL LISTING HISTORY Proposed Date: 9/1/1983 Final Date: 9/1/1984 Deletion Date: 2/22/1989

Site Description

The Cooper Road Site covers an area of less than 100 square feet in Voorhees Township. The site consists of an old borrow pit that had been excavated for fill material. In 1982, several dozen 1- to 2-ounce glass vials containing volatile organic compounds (VOCs) were discovered on the site. Some of the vials were broken, but most were intact. The State requested that the property owners remove the vials, but the owners did not comply. The property was sold in 1983, and the new owners, under State supervision, removed the vials and excavated 6 inches of contaminated soil and placed the vials and soil in a federally approved hazardous waste facility. In 1986 and 1987, EPA conducted a remedial investigation of the site which included subsurface soil and groundwater sampling. The results of the investigation found no significant levels of any contaminants in the soils or groundwater. The EPA deleted the Cooper Road Site from the NPL in 1989, when it was determined that the site no longer posed a threat to the public or the environment. New residential developments within the site area were placed on the municipal water service.

Site Responsibility: This site was addressed through Federal, State, and potentially responsible parties' actions.

Threat and Contaminants

Soils were contaminated with trace amounts of VOCs and heavy metals, including lead and arsenic.

Cleanup Approach

The site was addressed in a single phase focusing on cleanup of the entire site.

Response Action Status

Entire Site: The significant risks and threats to the community and the environment were eliminated in 1987 after the owners, under State supervision, removed the glass vials and excavated the contaminated soils.

Cleanup Progress

Approximately 200 cubic yards of contaminated soils and other materials were removed from the Cooper Road site, thereby eliminating any potential site-related health risks to the community and the environment. The EPA deleted the site from the NPL in 1989.

Site Repositories

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