

EPA PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Reviews Cleanup at Hercules, Inc. (Gibbstown Plant) Superfund Site

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is conducting its second five-year review of the **Hercules, Inc. (Gibbstown Plant) Superfund Site**, located in Gibbstown, Gloucester County, New Jersey. The site is being addressed in three phases or operable units (OUs). This review seeks to confirm that the cleanup conducted for OU3, which included: 1) excavation and consolidation of impacted soils and waste materials under a low-permeability cap; 2) installation of a fence around the capped area; 3) wetland mitigation and restoration; and 4) implementation of a groundwater monitoring program to ensure that the remedy continues to be protective of public health and the environment, is functioning as designed.

A remedy for OU1 and OU2 of the site was selected in a Record of Decision issued in September 2018. The OU1/OU2 remedial design is currently underway. This five-year review does not include these OUs because the remedy has not been implemented yet.

What is an EPA Five-Year Review?

The purpose of five-year reviews is to ensure that implemented remedies at Superfund sites function as intended and continue to be protective of human health and the environment. These regular reviews, which are required by federal law when contaminants remain at a site, include:

- Inspection of the site and cleanup technologies;
- Review of monitoring data, operating data, and maintenance records, and
- Determination if any new relevant regulatory requirements have been established since EPA's original cleanup decision was finalized.

When will EPA's Five-Year Review Report be available?

It is anticipated that the five-year review report will be available at the website noted below by January 15, 2020.

For more information

There are several ways to review information on this site. The Administrative Record, which includes EPA decision documents used for selecting the cleanup plan, is available for public review at the following information repositories:

Gloucester County Library System

Greenwich Township Branch

411 Swedesboro Road
Gibbstown, NJ 08027
856-423-0684

OR

EPA Region 2, Superfund Records Center

290 Broadway, 18th Floor
New York, NY 10007-1866
Phone: (212) 637-4308 (by appointment)

You may also contact

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For more information visit:

<https://www.epa.gov/superfund/hercules-gibbstown>