



# Hanna City Air Force Station

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## U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

Over the past 20 years, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has been conducting environmental investigations at the former Hanna City Air Force Station. The site was used by the U.S. Air Force from 1952 to 1968 as a radar tracking and investigation facility. Since the deactivation of the Hanna City Air Force Station in 1968, areas of the property have been owned, occupied, or used by several groups: the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDoC) as a Work Camp, Peoria County as a SWAT training site, the Federal Aviation Administration as a navigation facility, and the Village of Hanna City as a water treatment facility. The site is located on Farmington Road 10 miles west of the City of Peoria and 2 miles west of the Village of Hanna City in Peoria County, Illinois. The property is currently owned by Peoria County and the Village of Hanna City.

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### Environmental Investigations

- A 1992 Preliminary Assessment included a site visit and interviews with former and current site personnel.
- From 1997-2002 five underground storage tanks were used and removed by IDoC.
- A 1996 Site Inspection investigated several areas of potential concern. Most of these areas required further sampling in the 2006 Supplemental Site Inspection. Pesticides, polychlorinated biphenyls and volatile organic hydrocarbons were ruled out as chemicals of potential concern. Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) in surface and subsurface soils and metals in soil and groundwater were considered chemicals of

potential concern. A surface radiation survey indicated that site radiation levels were within background levels.

- A 2008 Remedial Investigation investigated several areas of potential concern from the previous study. Five areas were identified as posing potential risks to onsite workers and onsite residents due to regular exposure to PAHs in soils. The groundwater is not a concern at the site since metals in groundwater are naturally occurring from the soil.
- The 2012 Feasibility Study compared three cleanup alternatives for the site to remediate the risk from PAHs in soils.

### Public Events

- The Administrative Record was relocated to the Farmington District Library in Farmington, IL. This was completed in June 2012. Public Notices were released in *The Peoria Journal Star*, *The Farmington Shopper*, *Tri-County News*, and *The Home Shopper* to announce the new location of the Administrative Record.
- The 2013 Proposed Plan will be submitted to the public for review during the 30-day Public Comment Period, which is scheduled for May 3 through June 1, 2013. The Proposed Plan is available for review in the Administrative Record located at the Farmington District Library (266 East Fort Street, Farmington, Illinois).
- A public meeting will be held on May 20, 2013 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. for the public to ask questions and submit comments and concerns in person regarding the recommended cleanup plan. The public meeting will be located at the Hanna City Park District Gymnasium. Comments can also be submitted by mailing the enclosed self-addressed comment form by June 1, 2013. Copies of this comment form will be available at the public meeting.
- A public notice will be released in *The Peoria Journal Star*, *The Farmington Shopper*, *Tri-County News*, and *The Home Shopper* to announce a public comment period on the Proposed Plan and the public meeting.
- Following the public comment period, a responsiveness survey will be prepared to address comments received on the Proposed Plan and reported in a Decision Document. The Decision Document will outline the selected remedy.

**Public Meeting**  
May 20, 2013  
6:00 to 8:00 p.m.  
Hanna City Park District  
Gymnasium  
511 Main Street  
Hanna City, Illinois

If interested in being added to the direct mailing list, contact the Louisville District Public Affairs Office at (502) 315-6773 or [katelyn.c.newton@usace.army.mil](mailto:katelyn.c.newton@usace.army.mil). Additional information is posted at <http://bit.ly/HannaCityAFS>.

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