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HANNA CITY INFORMATION REPOSITORY HAS NEW LOCATION

LOUISVILLE, KY., – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has established an information repository for documents and materials generated as part of the investigation being conducted at the former Hanna City Air Force Station in Hanna City, Ill. The information repository has been previously housed at the Peoria Heights Public Library in Peoria Heights, but will be moved to the Farmington District Library in Farmington, Ill., by June 15, 2012. The Farmington District Library is located at 266 East Fort Street, Farmington, Ill.

If you are interested in the details of the study being conducted at the former Hanna City Air Force Station or would like to review any documentation, please visit the information repository. The hours of operation at the Farmington District Library are 10 a.m.- 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.- 5 p.m. Friday, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday. For more information, please contact the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Louisville District, Public Affairs Office at (502) 315-6773.

Background

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, Ill. The property is currently owned by Peoria County and the Village of Hanna City.

Current work

A feasibility study has been prepared which compares three cleanup alternatives for the site to remediate the risk from PAHs in soils. This feasibility study will be finalized in 2012 and will be followed by a Proposed Plan which will recommend a cleanup plan. This proposed plan will be submitted to the public for review during the 30-day public comment period, which is expected to occur in 2013. A public meeting will be held during the public comment period for the public to ask questions and submit comments and concerns in person regarding the recommended cleanup plan.