



Hanna City Air Force Station

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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 was conducted by USACE, Chicago District which included a site visit and interviews with former and current site personnel.
- Five underground storage tanks were used and removed by IDoC from 1997-2002.
- A Site Inspection in 1996 conducted for USACE, Buffalo District 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 Remedial Investigation in 2008 conducted for USACE, Louisville District 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.
- 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.

Upcoming Events

- The Administrative Record, previously stored at the Peoria Heights Public Library in Peoria Heights, will be moved to the Farmington District Library in Farmington, IL. This is anticipated to be completed in the summer of 2012.
- A Public Notice will be released in *The Peoria Journal Star*, *The Farmington Shopper*, and *The Home Shopper* to announce a Public Comment period on the Proposed Plan and the Public Meeting. This is expected to occur in 2013.



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