



FOSTER WHEELER ENERGY CORP. SITE COMMUNITY UPDATE MOUNTAIN TOP, PA/ REGION 3

June 2026



EPA Issues Proposed Plan

EPA is issuing a Proposed Plan to address risks to human health and the environment from exposure to groundwater and indoor air contaminated by site-related pollutants at the Foster Wheeler Energy Corp. Superfund Alternative site. The Preferred Alternative in this Proposed Plan is **Alternative 3**, which includes several components listed below:

- Continued operation and optimization of the existing groundwater extraction and treatment system (GETS)
- Contingent soil vapor investigation and mitigation for vapor intrusion (VI) risk
- Monitored natural attenuation (MNA) downgradient of the GETS capture zone
- Evaluation and expansion of institutional controls (ICs) and engineering controls (ECs)

In addition, there are several ongoing remedial actions which will continue at the site. These include routine inspections and maintenance of the cap over the source area soils (SAS) and the Former Wastewater Treatment Pond (FWWTP), as well as operation of the spring aeration system in the Affected Area (AA) and the existing sub-slab depressurization systems (SSDS) in the AA.

These alternatives are described beginning on page 18 of the Proposed Plan.

Since 2007, multiple actions have been taken to address soil and groundwater contamination, including removal actions to address immediate threats. This Proposed Plan presents EPA's recommended final remedy for the site.

Under the Superfund cleanup process, Superfund and Superfund Alternative sites are investigated to determine the nature and extent of contamination, and remedial alternatives are developed to address identified risks. EPA identifies a preferred alternative and presents it for public comment in a Proposed Plan. After the public comment period closes, EPA will consider all comments, consult with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, and, as appropriate, finalize the cleanup plan in a Record of Decision (ROD).



The community's role

The public is encouraged to review the Proposed Plan and submit comments to EPA from **June 16, 2026 - July 16, 2026**. Comments may be submitted in two ways.

1. Mail: Postmarked no later than July 16, 2026.

U.S. EPA Region 3
Attn: Elizabeth Habecker (Odren)
1600 John F. Kennedy Boulevard (Mailcode: 3SD21)
Philadelphia, PA 19103

2. E-mail: Odren.Elizabeth@epa.gov

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

EPA will hold a public meeting for the Foster Wheeler Energy Corp. site to provide the community with the opportunity to comment on this Proposed Plan.

Location: Saint Jude Parish
420 S Mountain Blvd.
Mountain Top, PA 18707

Date: June 30, 2026

Time: 6 - 7:30 p.m.

To review the Proposed Plan and review the Administrative Record, please visit:

www.epa.gov/superfund/fosterwheeler

The Proposed Plan, Administrative Record, and other site documents can also be viewed in person at:

Marian Sutherland Kirby
Library
35 Kirby Ave.
Mountain Top, PA 18707
Phone: (570) 474-9313

or

U.S. EPA Region 3
1600 John F. Kennedy
Boulevard
Philadelphia, PA 19103
(215) 814-2396
Please call to schedule an
appointment.

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EPA's Preferred Alternative Explained:

The Preferred Alternative includes:

- Continued groundwater extraction and treatment system (GETS) O&M and optimization;
- Continued O&M of the Cap over the source area soils (SAS);
- Continued O&M of the Former Wastewater Treatment Pond (FWWTP);
- Continued O&M of the spring aeration system in the Affected Area (AA);
- Continued O&M of existing sub-slab depressurization systems (SSDS) in the AA;
- Continued groundwater monitoring for vapor intrusion (VI) risk and contingent soil vapor investigation and mitigation;
- Groundwater monitoring for monitored natural attenuation (MNA) downgradient from the GETS capture zone; and
- Evaluation and expansion of institutional controls (ICs) and engineering controls (ECs).

Section G, Summary of Remedial Alternatives, of the Proposed Plan describes the alternatives in detail.

EPA also evaluated several other cleanup alternatives. These alternatives were evaluated based on the nine evaluation criteria listed on page 4 of this fact sheet. Below is the list of all alternatives evaluated. Based on this analysis, EPA is proposing Alternative 3.

- **Alternative 1:** No Action.
- **Alternative 2:** Continued gets O&M and optimization; continued O&M of the cap over the SAS, the FWWTP, the spring aeration system in the AA, and the existing SSDS in the AA; Continued groundwater monitoring for VI risk and contingent soil investigation and mitigation; and groundwater monitoring for MNA.
- **Alternative 3: Evaluation and expansion of ICs and ECs in addition to the components described in Alternative 2.**
- **Alternative 4:** In-Situ Biological Treatment of Groundwater at the Source Area Plus the Components Described in Alternative 3.
- **Alternative 5:** Expand existing groundwater extraction well network into the SIPs and AA with aboveground stand-alone treatment system and discharge to surface water in addition to the components described in Alternative 3.

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EPA's Nine Criteria Analysis

EPA evaluates each cleanup alternative using the following nine criteria:

1. *Overall Protectiveness of Human Health and the Environment*
2. *Compliance with Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirements*
3. *Long-term Effectiveness*
4. *Reduction of Toxicity, Mobility, or Volume through Treatment*
5. *Short-Term Effectiveness*
6. *Implementability*
7. *Cost*
8. *State Acceptance*
9. *Community Acceptance*

Only after considering input from state officials and the community regarding the preferred alternative, will EPA make a final decision.

What is your role in the process?

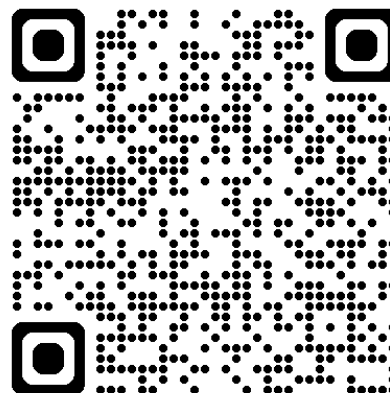
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