

NPL Site Narrative for Windom Dump

WINDOM DUMP

Windom, Minnesota

Conditions at proposal (October 15, 1984): The Windom Dump covers 30 acres in Windom, Cottonwood County, Minnesota. Between 1957 and 1974, the City of Windom operated the site as a municipal dump and also accepted solvent and heavy metal wastes. Wastes were burned and the residues buried on-site. Monitoring wells at the site are contaminated with volatile organic chemicals, according to tests conducted by the State. To date, municipal and residential wells are not contaminated. The monitoring and municipal wells continue to be sampled by the city and the State.

About 5,900 people use wells within 3 miles of the site as a source of drinking water.

Status (June 10, 1986): The State has completed a preliminary investigation and identified several parties potentially responsible for wastes associated with the site.

The city is monitoring ground water on and off the site under the supervision of the State. Recent samples from on-site monitoring wells contained high levels of benzene.

For more information about the hazardous substances identified in this narrative summary, including general information regarding the effects of exposure to these substances on human health, please see the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) ToxFAQs. ATSDR ToxFAQs can be found on the Internet at [ATSDR - ToxFAQs](http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaqs/index.asp) (<http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaqs/index.asp>) or by telephone at 1-888-42-ATSDR or 1-888-422-8737.