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#### **Acronyms**

ARP Asbestos Resource Program BMP best management practice

BOH City-County Board of Health for Lincoln County

CDM Smith CDM Federal Programs Corporation

DEQ Montana Department of Environmental Quality

EPA U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Grace W.R. Grace & Co. – Conn. HASP Health and Safety Plan

HAZWOPER Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response

HI hazard index

IC institutional control

ICIAP Institutional Control Implementation and Assurance Plan

LA Libby amphibole asbestos MCA Montana Code Annotated

MDT Montana Department of Transportation

O&F operational and functional O&M operations and maintenance

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration

OU operable unit
RA remedial action
RAL remedial action level
ROD record of decision
ROW right-of-way

RPM remedial project manager

SEMS Superfund Enterprise Management System

Site Libby Asbestos Superfund Site

SMP soil management plan

U-Dig Montana One-call notification center

USACE U.S. Army Corps of Engineers



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## Introduction

This operations and maintenance (O&M) plan presents the administrative, financial, and technical details and requirements for inspecting, operating, and maintaining the Operable Unit (OU) 8 remedial action (RA) at the Libby Asbestos Superfund Site (Site) (Superfund Enterprise Management System [SEMS] # MT0009083840). This plan was developed in accordance with guidance developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for operation and maintenance in the Superfund Program (EPA 2017a). An O&M plan is required at OU8 of the Site because controls have been employed to address contamination remaining at various levels. The Site is depicted in Figure 1-1 and the OU8 boundary is depicted in Figure 1-2.

OU8 is the subject of this O&M plan and includes transportation corridors impacted by contamination from activities associated with mining, processing, and shipping of vermiculite by the W.R. Grace & Co. – Conn. (Grace). Exposure to vermiculite and Libby amphibole asbestos (LA) was largely mitigated by removal of surface soil and the placement of clean backfill materials during response activities. This O&M plan was prepared to monitor physical remedies conducted in ROWs as part of other OU responses (as discussed in Section 1.1), engineered controls, and non-engineered controls associated with remaining LA and LA source materials present in surface soil and subsurface soil at the OU8 site. Figure 1-3 shows known remaining LA present in surface soil at OU8.

#### 1.1 Site Location and Background

The Site is located in and around the City of Libby, Montana. Libby is the county seat of Lincoln County and is in the northwest corner of Montana, about 35 miles east of Idaho and 65 miles south of Canada.

OU8 encompasses 30 miles of U.S. Highway 2, MT Highway 37, State Secondary Highways (S-482 [Farm to Market Road], S-567 [Pipe Creek Road], and S-260 [Kootenai River Road]. During the time the former vermiculite mine operated, U.S. Highway 2, MT Highway 37, and the State Secondary Highways included in this OU, were used to transport vermiculite and vermiculite products from the mine to Grace's former screening plant and export plant, and other mining-related areas. They were also used by workers and industries servicing the mine. LA-contaminated materials may also have been used as fill in some instances, to build or repair the road embankments and road base along MT Highway 37.

The selected remedy for the land use category in OU8 is Alternative SO6: Partial Excavation of Contaminated Soil, Disposal of Excavated Soil at the Former Libby Vermiculite Mine, Administrative Controls, and Monitoring. This alternative is further detailed in the *Record of Decision for Libby Asbestos Superfund Site, Libby and Troy Residential and Commercial Properties, Parks and Schools, Transportation Corridors, Industrial Park, Operable Units 4-8* (ROD) (EPA 2016).

In general, the remedy for contaminated soil at the Site has consisted of excavation of the soil and placement of clean backfill materials. The EPA has not performed removal or remedial actions specific to OU8; however, removal or remedial actions performed for other OUs (i.e., OU1, OU2, OU4, and OU7), in some cases, extended into the highway or roadway right-of-way (ROW), and as such, into OU8. Removal or remedial actions performed for other OUs which extended into the OU8 ROW addressed soil conditions exceeding remedial action levels (RALs) for residential/commercial land use categories (i.e., Bin B2 [LA soil concentrations of greater than or equal to 0.2 percent], or Bin B1 [LA

soil concentrations of less than 0.2 percent LA], if the special extent of the Bin B1 area is greater than or equal to 25 percent of the total soil exposure area at the property) or RALs for parks/schools land use categories (i.e., LA soil concentrations equal to or exceeding Bin B2). Because these actions were performed primarily under different OUs, the ROD considered OU8 to not require any physical remedy.

Unacceptable exposures to contamination has largely been mitigated by removal of surface soils placed in areas of the OU8 corridor; remaining surface soils do not present an unacceptable risk (CDM Federal Programs Corporation [CDM Smith] 2017b). Details of investigation, removal, and remedial activities within OU8 are discussed in the *Final Remedial Investigation Report, Operable Unit 8 – Local and State Highways in Libby and Troy, Libby Asbestos National Priorities List Site* (HDR 2013) and the *Final Remedial Action Report, Operable Unit 8 – Highways and Roadways* (CDM Smith 2017a). Currently, LA is present within acceptable limits in OU8 surface soil, as depicted in Figure 1-3. The portions of MT Highway 37 addressed as part of response actions within OU1 and OU2 are depicted in the figures provided in Appendix A.

#### 1.2 Current Site Information

#### 1.2.1 Parcel Ownership and Land Use Information

Parcel ownership information is presented for the entity responsible for maintaining the OU8 transportation corridors—US Highway 2, MT Highway 37, Kootenai River Road, County Highway 482 (Farm to Market Road), and County Highway 567 (Pipe Creek Road)<sup>1</sup>.

Owner: State of Montana 2701 Prospect Ave Helena, MT 59601

The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) maintains an interactive map gallery showing maintenance responsibilities for roadways in Montana; this information can be accessed at <a href="http://www.mdt.mt.gov/publications/map-gallery.shtml">http://www.mdt.mt.gov/publications/map-gallery.shtml</a>.

The property is currently classified as, and anticipated to remain, a transportation corridor.

#### 1.3 Operation and Maintenance Responsibility

Responsibility for O&M at OU8 is shared among several agencies and stakeholders. To determine whether the remedy at the site is protective of human health and environment, EPA is responsible for conducting five-year reviews. Section 5 summarizes the five-year review process and associated requirements. For OU8, annual inspections will be performed, at a minimum, and are the responsibility of Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). Activities to be performed during routine inspections may include visual inspections, remedy repair and maintenance, sampling and analysis, evaluation of institutional controls (ICs), and reporting. These activities are discussed in further detail within subsequent sections of this plan. In addition, general property maintenance and management will be the responsibility of the property owner to ensure activities on their property do not disturb the physical protective remedy in place. Information will be provided to assist property

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Not all land associated with these transportation corridor ROWs is owned by the State of Montana—there is a patchwork of federal, state, and local land ownership along these ROWs. State secondary highways are maintained by the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT).

owners and their contractors in understanding the appropriate best management practices (BMPs) and ICs that apply to their properties (EPA 2016a). The City/County Board of Health (BOH) Asbestos Resource Program (ARP) assists with providing property owners and contractors with information regarding properties and appropriate BMPs. The BOH-ARP is described further in Section 2.4.

# 1.4 Identification of Available Funding for Operation and Maintenance

A settlement fund was set up for the Site. From the settlement fund, \$11M was placed into a separate interest-bearing account that will be used to help pay for future Site-wide O&M. Currently, the funds in that account are nearly \$11.8M. The cost of the Site-wide O&M program will be evaluated in the future to help minimize uncertainty associated with those costs.

#### 1.5 Statement of Basis and Purpose

The purpose of this O&M plan is to present the activities necessary for inspecting, operating, and maintaining the effectiveness of the OU8 RA, including administrative, financial, and technical details and requirements. This O&M plan and the institutional control implementation and assurance plan (ICIAP) (EPA 2017b) will be reviewed and revised as appropriate after the Site-wide IC program is implemented. As previously discussed, investigation and response actions for residential and commercial properties abutting the OU8 corridors were performed via work at OU1, OU2, OU4, and OU7 based on the residential and/or commercial use of the property. The investigation and response actions sometimes extended into the highway or roadway ROW. Appendix B shows the current status<sup>2</sup> of OU4/OU7 properties where response actions have or have not been performed within the OU8 ROW. These response actions were performed to address OU4/OU7 RA levels for soil for residential/commercial properties. As of August 2018, CDM Smith identified 1,358 geounits (EPA's property identifier) along the OU8 corridor specifically evaluated as part of OU4/OU7. Of these, 637 geounits did not require a response action within the ROW, 121 response actions were completed within the ROW, and 225 geounits have not been inspected within the ROW for various reasons<sup>3</sup>.

#### 1.5.1 Operation and Maintenance Objectives

The implementation and maintenance of the remedial measures, in accordance with this O&M plan, are designed to meet the following remedial action objective discussed in the ROD (EPA 2016):

• Minimize the inhalation of LA during disturbances of soil contaminated with LA such that the resulting exposures result in cumulative cancer risks that are within or below EPA's acceptable risk range of 10-6 to 10-4 and cumulative non-cancer hazard index (HI) that is at or below 1.0.

O&M objectives for OU8 are:

 Maintain the integrity of the physical remedies and engineered controls (i.e., actions conducted in ROWs as part of other OU responses).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> ROW not inspected due to refusal of access or no contact from the property owner, or the area did not meet residential/commercial inspection criteria (i.e., not required to be inspected).



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Current as of the mapbook production date.

 Monitor, evaluate, and update ICs to ensure protectiveness. ICs for this OU8 O&M plan are detailed in the OU8 ICIAP (EPA 2017b).

#### 1.5.2 Summary of Long-Term O&M Activities

Long-term O&M (i.e., O&M efforts to be conducted for an indefinite period into the future) will be performed to maintain the integrity of the remedy components (protective covers, backfilled areas) and ICs will be implemented.

Prior to any onsite O&M work, it is recommended that a Health and Safety Plan (HASP) be developed by the entity conducting the work or an existing HASP (pertaining to the work required) adapted. All O&M work should be performed in compliance with the appropriate recommended HASP. This plan should include provisions for responding to and reporting accidents involving site personnel, operating emergencies, and other unusual events such as fires, floods, or weather damage.

The following activities will be considered routine O&M activities:

- **OU8 Site Inspections.** Non-intrusive visual site inspections will be conducted to ensure integrity of the physical remedy and engineered control (i.e., actions conducted in ROWs as part of other OU responses as discussed in Section 1.1) remains intact. OU8 site inspections are assumed to be performed at least annually and concurrently with five-year site reviews. OU8 site inspections are discussed in Section 2.
- **ICs Evaluation and Updates.** As part of the annual O&M inspection, ICs will be evaluated on at least an annual basis and updated if necessary to ensure protectiveness. Evaluation and updates for different types of ICs are discussed in Section 3.
- **Reporting.** Reports summarizing O&M activities will be prepared on an annual basis. Annual reporting also involves regular review and updates as necessary to any O&M HASPs, if applicable, as described in Section 2.2, and as-built drawings prepared during the reporting period. Reporting requirements are discussed in detail in Section 4.

# 1.6 Overview of Transition from Remedial Action to Operation and Maintenance

A remedy becomes operational and functional (0&F) either 1 year after construction is complete, or when the remedy is determined concurrently by the EPA and the state to be functioning properly and performing as designed, whichever is earlier (EPA 2017a). EPA and DEQ considers RA at OU8 to be complete.

# **1.6.1 Schedule for Transition from Remedial Action to Operations and Maintenance**

Table 1-1 presents a summary of the major events for transition from RA to 0&M at 0U8, and associated dates of these events. See Section 2 of the Final 0U8 RA report (CDM Smith 2017a) for a summary of investigation and response activities that occurred prior to and following the ROD. For 0U8, the beginning of the 1-year 0&F period is anticipated to begin in September 2018. As shown in Table 1-1, the first annual 0&M site inspection is anticipated in 2019.



Table 1-1 Summary of the Major Events for Transition from Remedial Action to Operation and Maintenance

Date	Event
June 2013	Final OU8 remedial investigation report
May 2015	Final feasibility study report for OUs 4-8
February 2016	ROD for OUs 4-8 signed
September 2017	ICIAP approval
September 2017	OU8 RA report approval
TBD (September 2018)	O&F determination
TBD (estimated fall 2019)	First annual O&M site inspection
TBD (estimated winter 2019)	First annual O&M report
TBD (estimated spring 2020)	Five-year review (Five-year reviews will be done concurrently with Site-wide five-year reviews. The first Site-wide review was completed June 22, 2015.)

TBD - to be determined

Annual O&M site inspections, annual O&M reporting, and five-year reviews will be conducted as long as contaminants remain onsite at levels that call for restricted uses and limited exposure.

#### **1.6.2** Access

Although ownership and maintenance responsibilities within OU8 are considered that of the State of Montana, individual residential and commercial properties abutting the OU8 ROW have undergone investigation and response actions. When access is required to conduct O&M along the OU8 ROW, property owners will be notified, and access will be obtained, as necessary, by each entity requiring access.

When intrusive work is required within the OU8 ROW, a permitting process will be followed. A copy of the MDT encroachment permit application and addendum is provided in Appendix C. The MDT encroachment permit application and addendum are discussed further in Section 3.4

Access agreements for each property located within the OU8 boundary may be necessary for conducting long-term O&M. A method by which access can be obtained is through implementation of proprietary controls. Proprietary controls are described in Section 3.1.

#### 1.6.3 Summary of Staffing Needs

Staffing for O&M at OU8 primarily consists of DEQ personnel performing annual site inspections and EPA personnel and/or contractors performing five-year reviews.

Pursuant to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), all persons engaged in operations under this O&M plan shall follow OSHA regulations, as specified in 29 Code of Federal Regulations *Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response* (HAZWOPER) 1920.120. In general, persons conducting O&M activities under this plan shall have, at a minimum, twenty-four hours of initial HAZWOPER training, and 1 day of supervised hands-on training or a current eight-hour annual refresher. In some instances, 40 hours of HAZWOPER training may be required, which should be outlined in the HASP recommended to be developed by each entity performing work at the site.



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# **Routine Site Inspections**

Site inspections are conducted to provide information about a site's status and to visually confirm and document the conditions of the remedy and the site (EPA 2017a). The DEQ will conduct routine site inspections (e.g., annual site inspection) for OU8. The recommended O&M annual site inspection checklist is provided as Appendix D.

# 2.1 Site Inspection Objectives

Consistent with the O&M objectives presented in Section 1.5.1, the objectives of annual OU8 site inspections include the following:

- Observe and maintain the integrity of the engineered controls and physical remedies (e.g., protective covers or backfilled areas [i.e., actions conducted in ROWs as part of other OU responses as discussed in Section 1.1] to ensure that the protection of human health is maintained.
- Evaluate the implementation of ICs to ensure protectiveness, as described in Section 3.

#### 2.2 Observe Site Conditions

Monitoring protocol includes routine non-intrusive visual site inspections to ensure integrity of the physical remedies and engineered controls. Site inspections will be performed annually and concurrently with the 5-year site review, according to the proposed O&M schedule presented in Section 1.6.

#### 2.2.1 Inspect the Integrity of Physical Remedies and Engineered Controls

A non-intrusive (surficial) visual inspection of the immediate ground surface and remedies completed at the site will be conducted during the annual site inspection to determine if the physical remedy or engineered control applied remains intact. As previously discussed, removal and remedial activities have been limited to ROWs along the OU8 corridors, addressed via work at other OUs (i.e., OU1, OU2, OU4, and OU7). The types and location of the physical remedies and engineered controls for OU8 ROWs are depicted in Appendix B and discussed in the *Final Remedial Action Report, Operable Unit 8 – Highways and Roadways* (CDM Smith 2017a).

Site inspections will be performed annually and will involve observing whether the backfills and vegetation remain intact and prevent exposure to LA-containing material. Inspections will be conducted by persons properly trained in accordance with the Montana Code Annotated (MCA) Section 75-2-511 and meeting the OHSA requirements discussed in Section 1.6.3. If LA-containing material or debris is observed, or damage to the physical remedy or engineered control has occurred, it will be identified for repair as described in Section 2.3.

#### 2.2.2 Other Site Features

As dictated by the ROD, parking surfaces, roads, and further excavation of soil areas at OU8 to remove or cover LA-containing material will not be required. Instead the ICs addressed in Section 3 and the OU8 ICIAP (EPA 2017b) will be used to address these areas and potential exposures to LA. Response



actions completed within surface soil on the site are discussed in the Final OU8 RA Report (CDM Smith 2017a).

#### 2.3 Future Encounters with Contaminated Material

If disturbance of the protective physical remedy or engineered control (i.e., actions conducted in ROWs as part of other OU responses as discussed in Section 1.1) causes exposure, advice on how to address encounters with contaminated materials will be obtained from the EPA, DEQ, or BOH-ARP. The BOH-ARP is a program staffed in Lincoln County, Montana for an interim period and funded by the EPA through 2021 under a cooperative agreement with Lincoln County. BOH-ARP was developed as an interim program to educate the public regarding the remaining risks of LA exposure, provide resources to manage the risks associated with LA exposure, and implement initiatives to reduce or prevent the risk of LA exposure. BOH-ARP works under the direction of the BOH<sup>4</sup>.

ICs, such as the informational devices described in Section 3.4, will be used to inform the property owners, tenants, and land users of actions to avoid, and how to handle future encounters with contaminated soil at the site.

BMPs will be used in conjunction with ICs to prevent or reduce the release and exposure to LA within OU8 and maintain any remedy placed within the ROW as part of responses for other OUs. Additional information regarding BMPs is provided in Appendix E and available as an attachment to OU8 ICIAP (EPA 2017b).

Additionally, although not required, development of a soil management plan (SMP) by the state, specific to OU8 could supplement ICs and would benefit stakeholders to notify and manage soil disturbance activities. This is particularly important within OU8 due to RALs being less restrictive than other adjacent OUs (i.e., OU4/OU7). Because some periodic road maintenance activities within OU8 may consist of soil removal (e.g., culvert cleanouts – periodic removal of soil blocking culverts due to erosion, guardrail replacement, repair of bridge abutments), an SMP would help reduce the likelihood of soils above a residential/commercial RAL being deposited/disposed of in an undesirable location. Components of an SMP should contain frequency of inspection, maintenance, monitoring, and material disposal would be determined during the development of the SMP and should be specific only to address activities that could result in soil disturbances.

If the contaminated material encountered was not reasonably anticipated prior to the start of O&M, EPA and DEQ will evaluate whether the material represents an unforeseen site condition and determine how the response action will be funded (EPA 2016). An unforeseen site condition is defined as a significant deposit of LA that was not previously characterized and was not in an area that was expected to have LA.

In certain site-specific circumstances, the EPA may determine that it is appropriate to pay or partially pay for certain repairs or modifications to remedies even though DEQ has assumed responsibility for 0&M. When evaluating whether it is appropriate for the EPA to pay some or all of the costs to repair or modify a remedy after DEQ has assumed responsibility for 0&M, the EPA should consider whether:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> BOH will be involved in the process of developing and determining Site-wide ICs. Site-wide ICs have yet to be fully established at the time of this plan approval.

- A latent design or construction defect in a remedy that affects protectiveness is discovered after the construction has been completed and O&M has begun;
- A new, previously not identified contaminant of concern is discovered, which necessitates a fundamental change to the ROD; or
- An applicable or relevant and appropriate requirement change requires a more stringent cleanup level than the one established in the ROD.

If the remedy is damaged by some form of natural disaster, then DEQ should be prepared to make the necessary repairs. Federal disaster funds may be made available, if the area has been declared a disaster under the Stafford Act (EPA 2007).



## **Monitor Institutional Controls**

ICs are non-engineering measures designed to prevent or limit exposure to hazardous substances left in place at the OU8 site.

The EPA has developed an ICIAP to ensure ICs applicable to OU8 are properly documented, implemented, and operating effectively during their entire lifespan. In accordance with the EPA guidance document, *Institutional Controls: A Guide to Planning, Implementing, Maintaining, and Enforcing Institutional Controls at Contaminated Sites* (EPA 2012), the ICIAP identifies the objectives, performance goals, and existing or anticipated enforcement documents, and approaches for enforcement that are currently in place at OU8 (EPA 2017b).

The ICs will be evaluated on an annual basis and updated as appropriate. The routine and critical evaluation of the ICs will assess:

- 1. Whether the selected IC instruments remain in place.
- 2. Whether the ICs are enforced such that they meet the stated objectives and performance goals and provide protection required by the response.

At OU8, modification of ICs may be required in the event a review of ICs indicate evidence of being ineffective in providing protectiveness of the remedy. If an event occurs that could lead to a modification, this plan will be reviewed and revised accordingly to ensure the ICs at the site continue to provide adequate protection. If ICs need to be revised the DEQ will notify the EPA to facilitate a revision to the ICIAP. Although it is not anticipated for this site, termination of ICs may occur if all remaining contamination at the site is removed to a level below that which poses a risk to health and the environment.

The following sections present current ICs and maintenance procedures. According to guidance, ICs are more effective if they are "layered", meaning using different types of ICs at the same time to enhance the protectiveness of the remedy (EPA 2012). For example, where ICs must be effective for a long period, either proprietary or governmental controls will be considered because they are generally connected in perpetuity with the land and are enforceable. Also, the implementation of government controls might be considered a beneficial addition to informational tools that may be forgotten over the long-term or an enforcement action that would be binding only to certain parties (EPA 2012).

Specific details regarding the types of ICs and the IC instruments currently in place at OU8 are outlined in the OU8 ICIAP (EPA 2017).

The following types of ICs and associated instrument(s) currently in place or anticipated at OU8 are listed below:

- Proprietary Control No proprietary controls currently exist
- Governmental Control MCA Section 69-4-503, known as the Montana One-call system (U-Dig)
- Enforcement and Permit Tools No enforcement and permit tools currently exist



■ Informational Devices – BOH-ARP, U-Dig (one-call) notification, the MDT encroachment permit and addendum, EPA's Site website, the EPA Information Center (in Libby), the BMPs Manual (Appendix E), and this O&M plan

#### 3.1 Proprietary Controls

Proprietary controls are created pursuant to state law to prohibit activities that may compromise the effectiveness of the response action or restrict activities or future resource use that may result in unacceptable risk to human health or the environment (EPA 2012).

Proprietary controls involve legal instruments placed in the chain of title of the site or property. Under MCA Section 75-10-727, a DEQ-approved IC could be instituted to restrict the property, as necessary, to mitigate the risk to public health by way of an environmental covenant. This IC would notify future land owners/users of previous response actions completed at OU8 and of known or potential LA contamination within the soils at the site. In the event any such instrument would receive final approval by DEQ, it will be included within the OU8 ICIAP as an appendix. The landowner must agree to place an environmental covenant on the property. No environmental covenants currently exist for OU8.

#### 3.1.1 Evaluate and Update Proprietary Controls

No proprietary controls currently exist for OU8. If a proprietary control is implemented at a later date, both the administrative/legal components of proprietary controls and the physical evidence would be evaluated annually by DEQ. Proprietary controls can also be evaluated during site inspections through physical evidence of property encroachment or possible violations of land or resource use restrictions.

#### 3.2 Governmental Controls

Governmental controls are used to impose restrictions on land use or resource use (EPA 2012). Local governments have a variety of land use government controls to limit land or resource use including zoning restrictions, ordinances, statutes, or building permits (EPA 2012). However, once implemented, local and state entities often use traditional police powers to regulate and enforce the controls. Since this category of ICs is put in place under local jurisdiction, they may be changed or terminated with little notice, and the EPA generally has no authority to enforce such controls (EPA 2012).

The only government control currently in effect at OU8 is U-Dig. Montana state law (MCA Section 69-4-503) requires that all parties planning to excavate, drill, or perform other subsurface activities, notify the designated U-Dig (one-call) notification center prior to the start of these activities. However, currently U-Dig as it applies to the site is used as an informational device and is described in Section 3.4.

#### 3.2.1 Evaluate and Update Governmental Controls

Because land use and ownership changes can occur over a relatively short time, developers and other parties may not be fully aware of the ICs that have been put in place as part of a cleanup. Although not anticipated for OU8, any government controls will be evaluated during site inspections to identify any changes in land use. Both the administrative and legal components of government controls will be updated, if necessary.



#### 3.3 Enforcement and Permit Tools

Enforcement and permit tools such as administrative orders, permits, federal facility agreements, and consent decrees, are legal tools that limit certain site activities or require the performance of specific activities (e.g., to monitor and report on an IC's effectiveness) (EPA 2012).

#### 3.3.1 Evaluate and Update Enforcement and Permit Tools

Although no enforcement and permit tools are currently implemented within OU8, a review of ICs associated with these types of instruments will be conducted during site inspections by the DEQ. The DEQ shall refer to the current version of the OU8 ICIAP for any implemented enforcement and permit tool evaluation needs, and revise or update the ICs as necessary.

#### 3.4 Informational Devices

Informational devices provide information or notification to local communities that LA beneath protective remedies or within acceptable levels remains on site (EPA 2012). Current informational devices related to OU8 are summarized below:

- BOH-ARP This resource is available to educate the public regarding the remaining risks of LA exposure, to provide resources to manage the risks associated with LA exposure, and to implement initiatives to reduce or prevent the risk of LA exposure. Assistance in managing contamination may include providing resource materials and BMPs, making contractor referrals, and/or removing contamination. The BOH-ARP is available for any persons interested in information regarding LA, or resources available to minimize risks associated with LA. Interested persons are encouraged to contact the BOH-ARP at 406-291-5335, or visit the BOH-ARP website at http://www.lcarp.org.
- U-Dig BOH-ARP is notified by the U-Dig call center for all activities planned within OU8 boundaries in the event the U-Dig call center has been contacted. Persons intending to disturb any protective physical remedy in place at OU8 should notify U-Dig prior to conducting the activities. Advice on how to address the contamination, if disturbance is required, may be obtained from the BOH-ARP or DEQ.
- MDT encroachment permit application and addendum All individuals and organizations intending to perform work within the ROW of the OU8 corridor must apply for an encroachment permit with MDT. Any permit application along the OU8 ROW must be accompanied by an addendum, which notifies the permittee to take precautions to guard against potential exposure to LA contamination. Although the Administrative Rules of Montana Section 18.7.102 defines MDT encroachment permits and statutory rules exist that dictate associated violations, the MDT encroachment permit application is not specific to Site activities under CERCLA and the addendum that accompanies any such permit along the OU8 corridor is site specific and acts as an informational device. No specific enforcement or penalty currently exists relating to the protection of a remedy placed within OU8 specific to this encroachment permit and addendum.
- EPA Site website The EPA Site website is maintained to provide information for the public regarding current activities associate with the Libby Superfund Site at <a href="http://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/cursites/csitinfo.cfm?id=0801744">http://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/cursites/csitinfo.cfm?id=0801744</a>.
- EPA Information Center All information for OU8 (historical and current site documents) and any associated best management practices, are currently available to the public at the EPA



Information Center. Although it is anticipated that the EPA information center will close at the end of remedial action in OUs 4 and 7, information for OU8 will be maintained by the EPA, DEQ, or another government organization.

 BMP Manual – The BMP Manual (Appendix E), when used in combination with developed ICs, provides guidance to owners and land managers for preventing or reducing the release and exposure to LA within OU8.

#### 3.4.1 Evaluate and Update Informational Devices

The effectiveness of the BOH-ARP, U-Dig, the MDT encroachment permit application and addendum process, the EPA Site website, the EPA Information Center, and the BMP Manual, will be evaluated on an annual basis to improve accessibility, navigability, content, and technical functionality. These informational devices will be updated if deficiencies are found or if technical aspects are changed.



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# **Reporting Requirements**

As described in Section 5, five-year review reports will be completed by the EPA on a five-year cycle, with the initial schedule presented in Table 1-1 and in accordance with *Comprehensive Five-Year Review Guidance* (EPA 2001). Reports on O&M activities will be generated on a routine basis and as required by unforeseen events (described below). The EPA will review these reports on an ongoing basis.

Annual reports summarizing O&M activities will be prepared by DEQ and submitted to the EPA remedial project manager (RPM) on an annual basis.

Annual reports may include sections on results from routine inspections, listing of major repairs, any reported updates of applicable HASPs, O&M Manual and as-built drawings, community complaints and responses, and verifications of the integrity of ICs.

In the event any instrument of ICs for OU8 are found to be inadequate or need to be modified, or additional ICs are necessary to ensure protectiveness of the remedy, that information will be included within the site annual inspection report prepared by the DEQ.

These reports will assist DEQ and EPA in evaluating the adequacy of O&M, the frequency of repairs, and how these factors relate to determining and ensuring protectiveness of the remedy.

#### 4.1 Special Reports

The DEQ will prepare special reports as needed due to unforeseen events or conditions and will be based on the magnitude of the event as determined by the DEQ. One example of a special report is an incident report. Incident reports are used to document the details of accidents involving site personnel, and other unusual events such as fires, floods, or weather damage. Another example of a special report is a record of modification or amendment to a HASP, as applicable. When accidents occur on site, any HASP that has been developed may need to be updated depending on the type of incident and whether it is already covered in the plan. These special reports should be made available to the EPA, the appropriate OU8 property owner, and other interested parties in a timely manner (EPA 2017a).



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# Summary of Five-Year Review Activities

LA will remain onsite above levels that allow for unrestricted use of OU8. Additionally, the levels of LA remaining onsite are not considered in exceedance of RA levels, and remedies are in place that are considered protective. However, LA does exist beyond protective remedies within the OU8 ROW, which could pose a risk in the event those remedies are disturbed. Five-year reviews of OU8 will be required to evaluate the implementation and performance of the remedy and to determine whether the remedy remains protective of human health and the environment. The EPA is responsible for performing and funding the five-year reviews as long as they are required. The remedy will be reevaluated in accordance with the review requirements of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act Section 121(c). The five-year review process consists of six components: (1) community involvement and notification, (2) document review, (3) data review and analysis, (4) site inspection, (5) interviews, and (6) protectiveness determination (EPA 2003).

- Community involvement activities will include notifying the community that the five-year review will be conducted, notifying the community that the five-year review has been completed, and providing the results of the review.
- Document review involves a review of all relevant documents and data to obtain information to assess the performance of the response action. Documents for review include the ROD (EPA 2016), annual 0&M reports, and annual IC evaluations conducted as part of the annual site inspection.
- Data review and analysis will involve a review of sampling and monitoring plans and results from monitoring activities.
- Site inspections will be conducted to gather information about the site's status and to visually confirm and document the conditions of the remedy, the site, and the surrounding area.
- Interviews may be conducted as necessary with the site manager, site personnel, and people
  who live or work near the site to gather additional information about the site's status or identify
  remedy issues.
- Utilizing the information from the other five components of the review process (i.e., community involvement, document review, data review and analysis, site inspections, and interviews), protectiveness of the remedy is assessed.

Reports summarizing the five-year review will be prepared by the EPA in accordance with the *Comprehensive Five-Year Review Guidance* (EPA 2001).



### **Cost Estimate**

As part of the O&M plan, a cost estimate is developed to address all the O&M activities discussed in this report. The O&M cost estimate, provided in Appendix F, was primarily developed to provide EPA and the DEQ with a preliminary cost basis for routine and non-routine remedy maintenance, annual site inspections, and cost for five-year reviews, as described in this O&M plan.

# 6.1 Purpose and Intended Uses

The O&M cost estimate reflects the annual and periodic costs for implementing long-term O&M at the OU8 site.

The intended use of the O&M cost estimate is to support EPA and the DEQ in the development and preparation of the annual O&M budget for OU8. The O&M cost estimate is also used to help EPA and DEQ management understand the costs associated with implementing the long-term O&M at OU8 and helps in developing the cooperative agreement work plan.

# 6.2 Methodology and Organization

The O&M cost estimate is based on the selected remedy (Alternative SO6) cost estimate prepared in 2015 for the ROD (EPA 2016). Because the ROD took a holistic approach and included a selected remedy cost estimate of combined OUs (i.e., OU4, OU5, OU6, OU7, and OU8), an O&M cost estimate specific to OU8 was prepared for this O&M plan. The selected remedy cost estimate was developed according to *A Guide to Developing and Documenting Cost Estimates during the Feasibility Study* (EPA 2000).

The O&M cost estimate consists of cost worksheets, a cost summary, and a present-value analysis. The cost worksheets provide the costs for individual O&M components. The cost summary includes annual O&M costs and other periodic costs for the long-term O&M. It also includes contingencies and professional/technical services costs (excluding remedial design costs). Present-value analysis of the estimated O&M cost was also developed. For this, a period of 30 years was assumed although the O&M will be conducted indefinitely throughout the life of the site.

Present-value analysis is a method to evaluate expenditures, either capital or O&M, which occur over different time periods. The single-cost figure, referred to as the present value, is the amount needed to be set aside at the initial point in time (base year) to assure that funds will be available in the future as they are needed, assuming certain economic conditions. Inflation was first applied to annual costs prior to the present-value analysis. Inflation was based on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Civil Works Construction Cost Index System (USACE 2017) yearly composite cost index (weighted average). The discount rate for present-value analysis was based on the ten-year average of nominal thirty-year treasure interest rates (Appendix C of Office of Management and Budget [OMB] Circular A-94 [OMB 2018]).

## 6.3 Cost Estimates Accuracy and Cost Uncertainty

The O&M cost estimate is developed to be as accurate as the current information allows and is based on the scope presented. The cost estimate is expected to have an accuracy of -30 percent to +50



percent of the actual costs. This cost accuracy range is consistent with EPA's *Remedial Design/Remedial Action Handbook* (EPA 1995) for preliminary development of O&M activities and responsibilities. Currently this cost estimate is an *Opinion of Probable Cost* only, and further refinement of the cost estimate will be done after additional inputs are gained from the stakeholders.

Typical O&M costs include program management costs, general and administrative costs, and subcontracting costs and fees. Costs incurred for the EPA to conduct five-year reviews will not be paid out through the separate interest-bearing account used for future Site-wide or OU8 O&M. Because the EPA five-year review costs are not allocated through the O&M fund, they have been presented in a separate table (Table 6-2).

#### 6.4 O&M Cost Estimate

As stated above, this is a probable cost of O&M for OU8. The actual cost to the stakeholders may be lower depending on whether the state can find cost efficiencies in implementing O&M at OU8.

The cost estimate (cost worksheets, cost summary, and present-value analysis) is presented in Appendix F. The following table presents the summary of the O&M cost estimates:

Table 6-1 Summary of Probable Operations and Maintenance Cost

Probable O&M Cost Type	Description	Cost
Routine Annual Cost	Includes routine site inspection, evaluating and updating ICs	\$14,100/year

#### Notes:

- 1. Detailed costs and backup are presented in Appendix F.
- 2. Costs based on 2016 prices
- 3. Costs presented are expected to have accuracy between -30 percent to +50percent of actual cost, based on the scope presented.

Table 6-2 Summary of Probable EPA Five-Year Review Cost

Probable O&M Cost Type	Description	Cost
EPA Five-Year Review <sup>1</sup>	Includes community involvement and notification, document review, data review and analysis, site inspection, interviews, and protectiveness determination.	\$40,000/event

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Costs incurred for the EPA to conduct five-year reviews are not covered under O&M funds.



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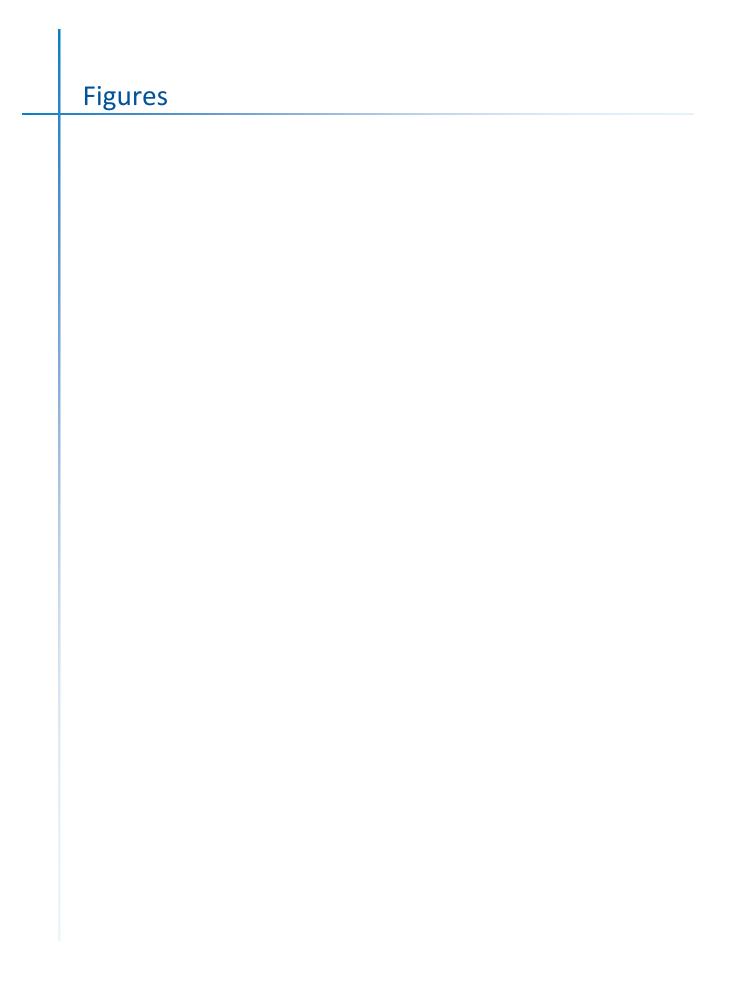


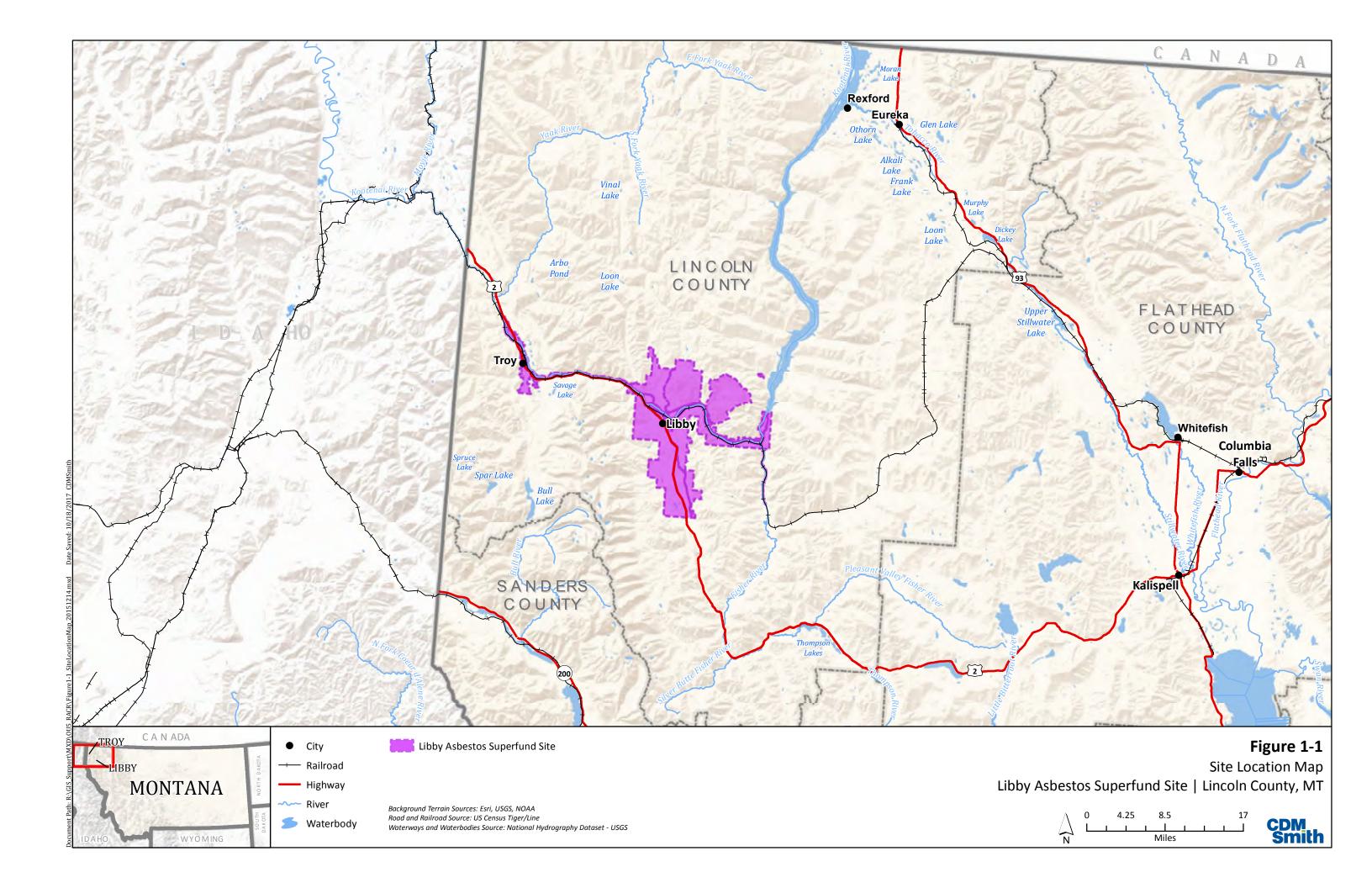
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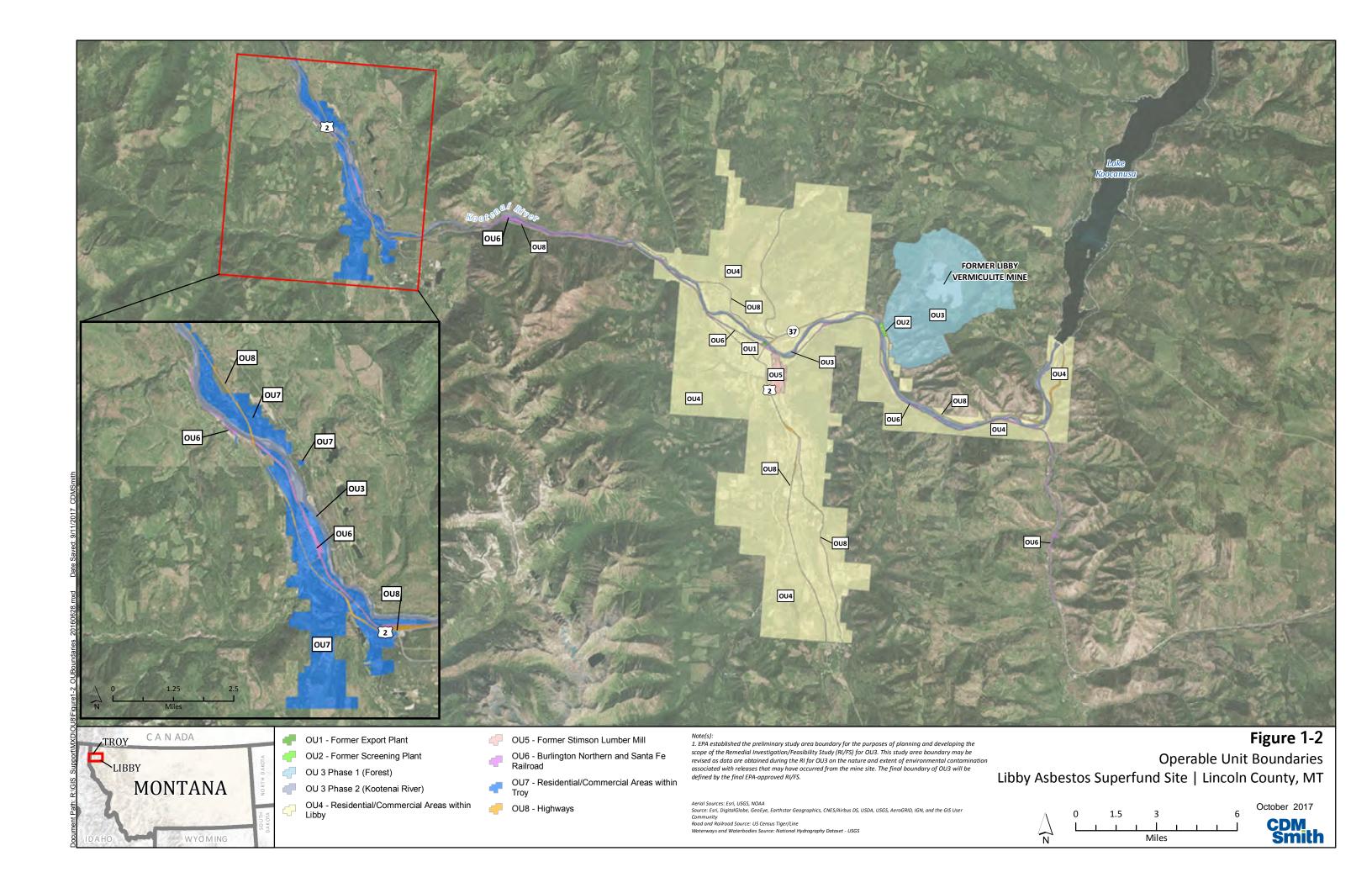


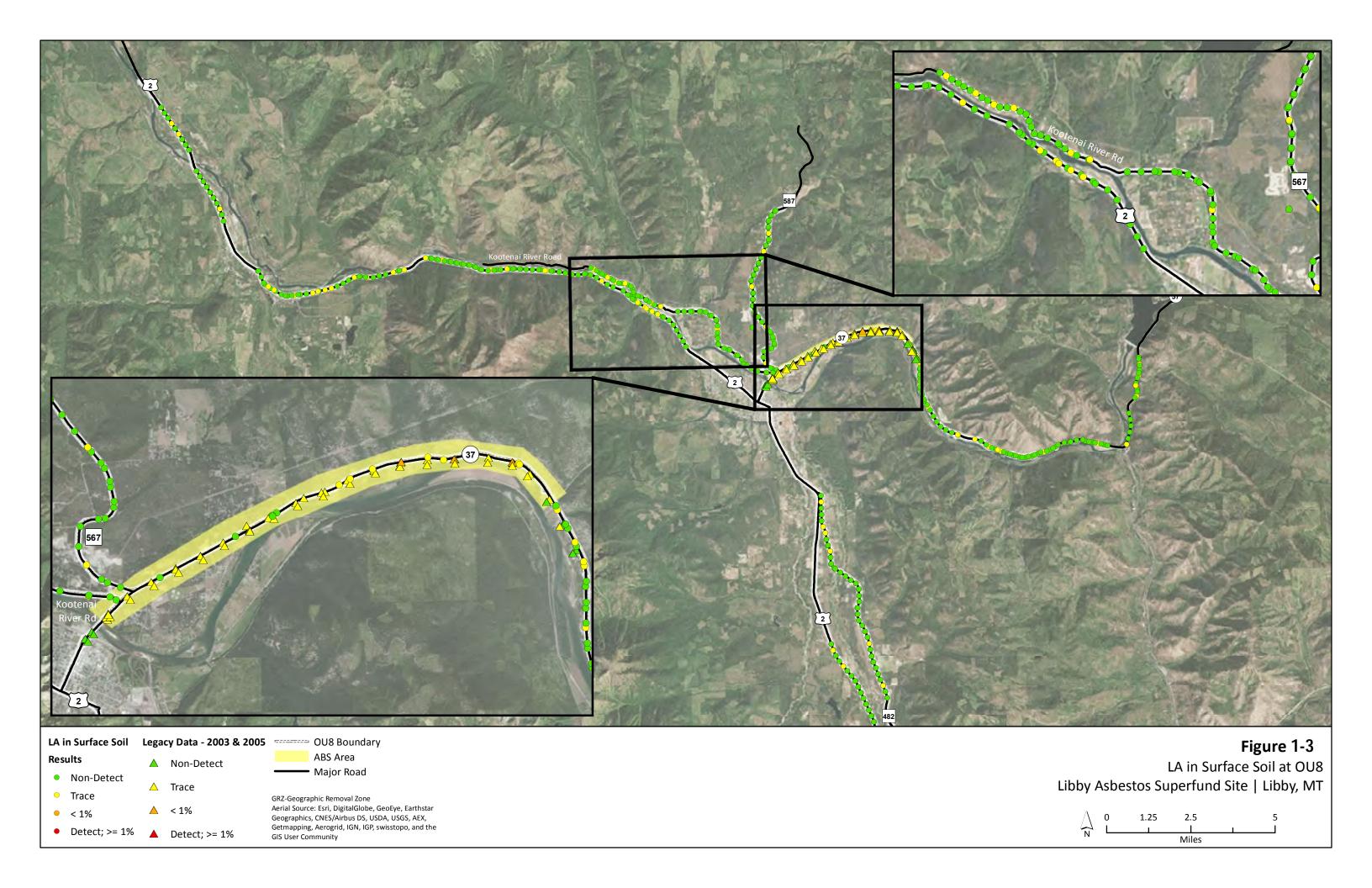
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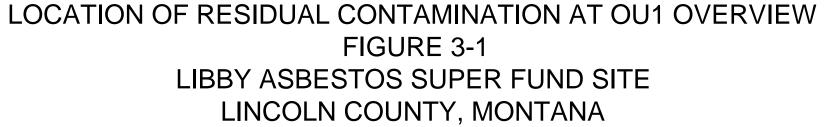




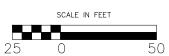
# Appendix A

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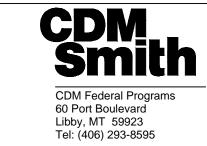


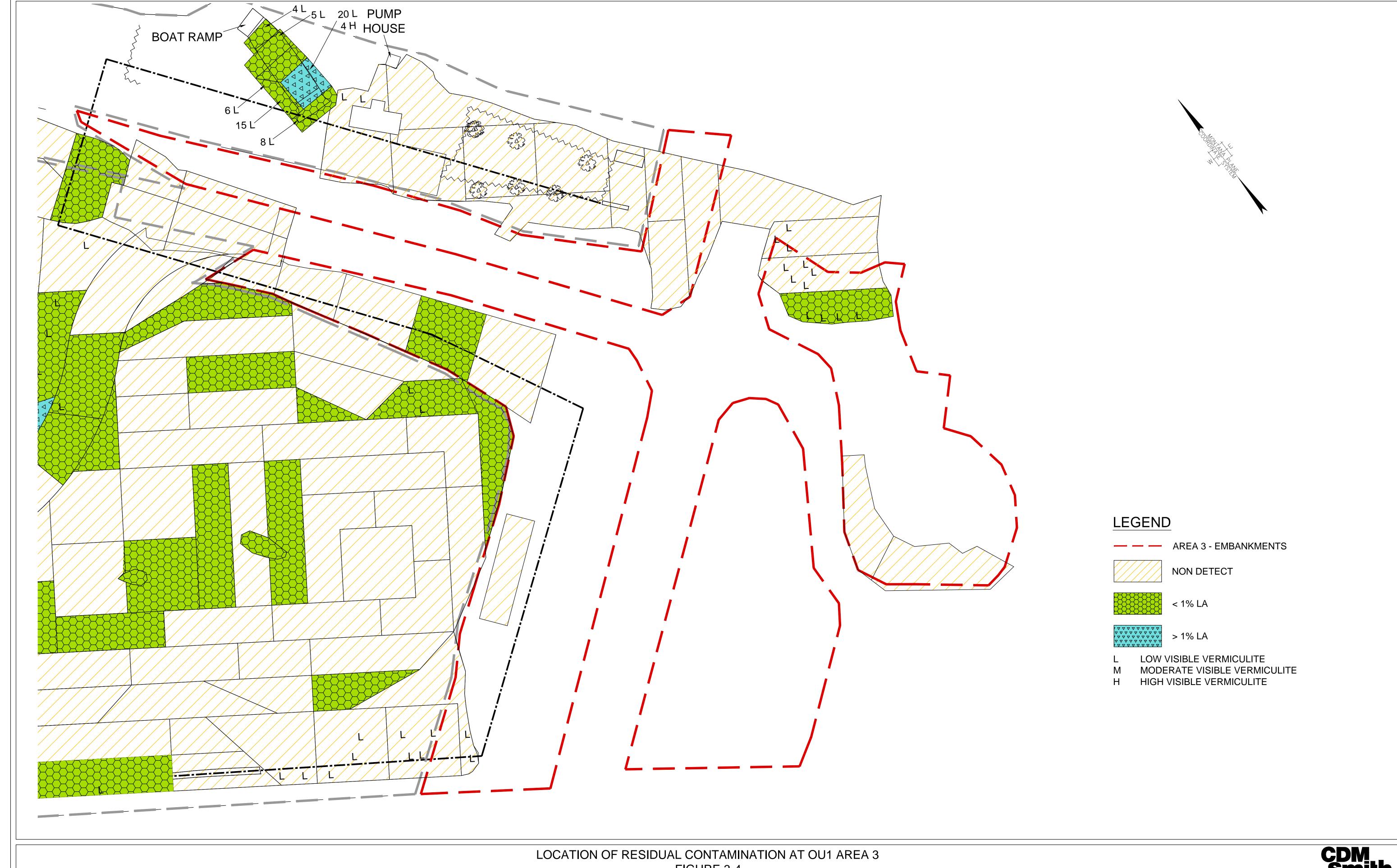




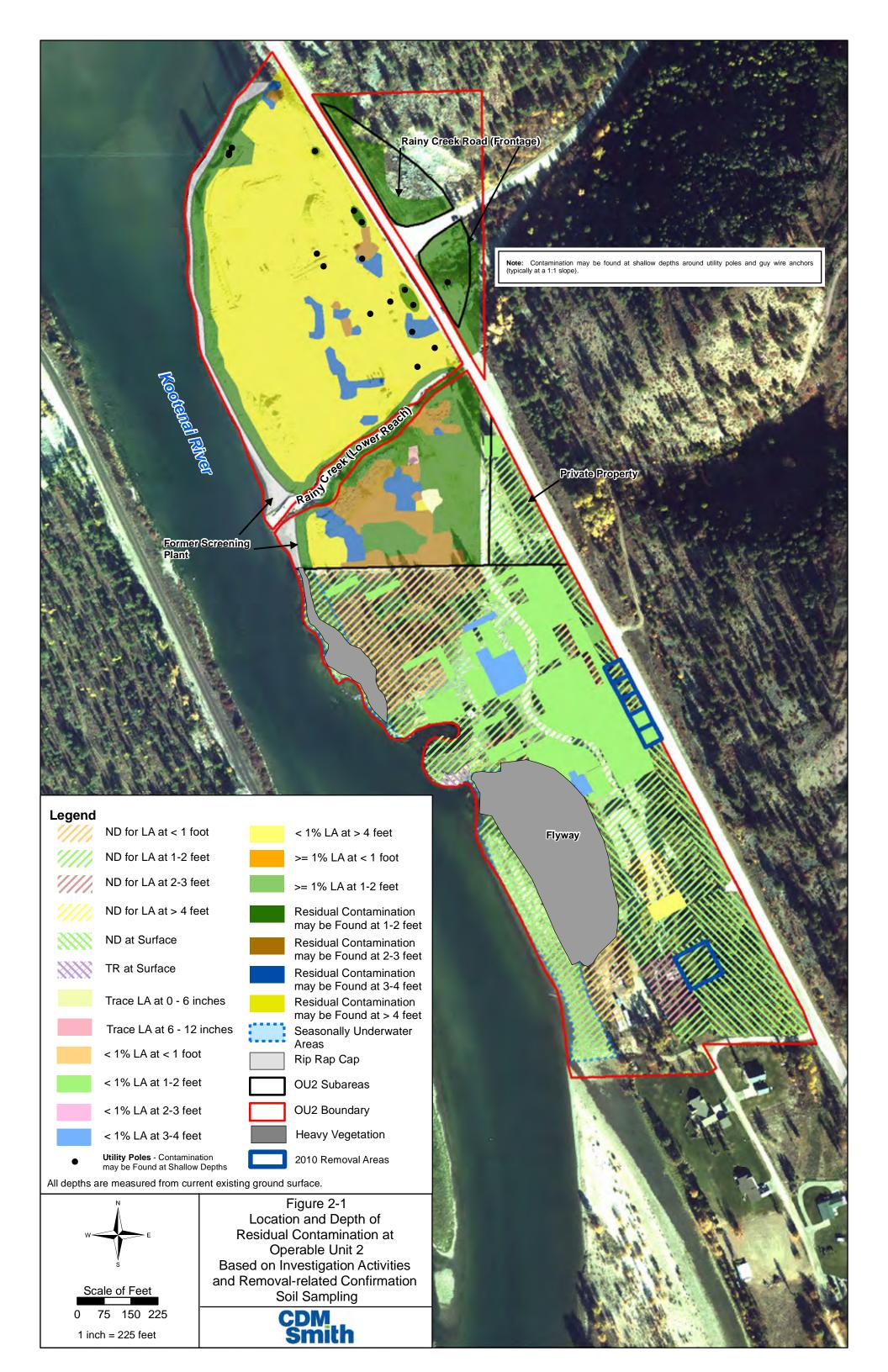


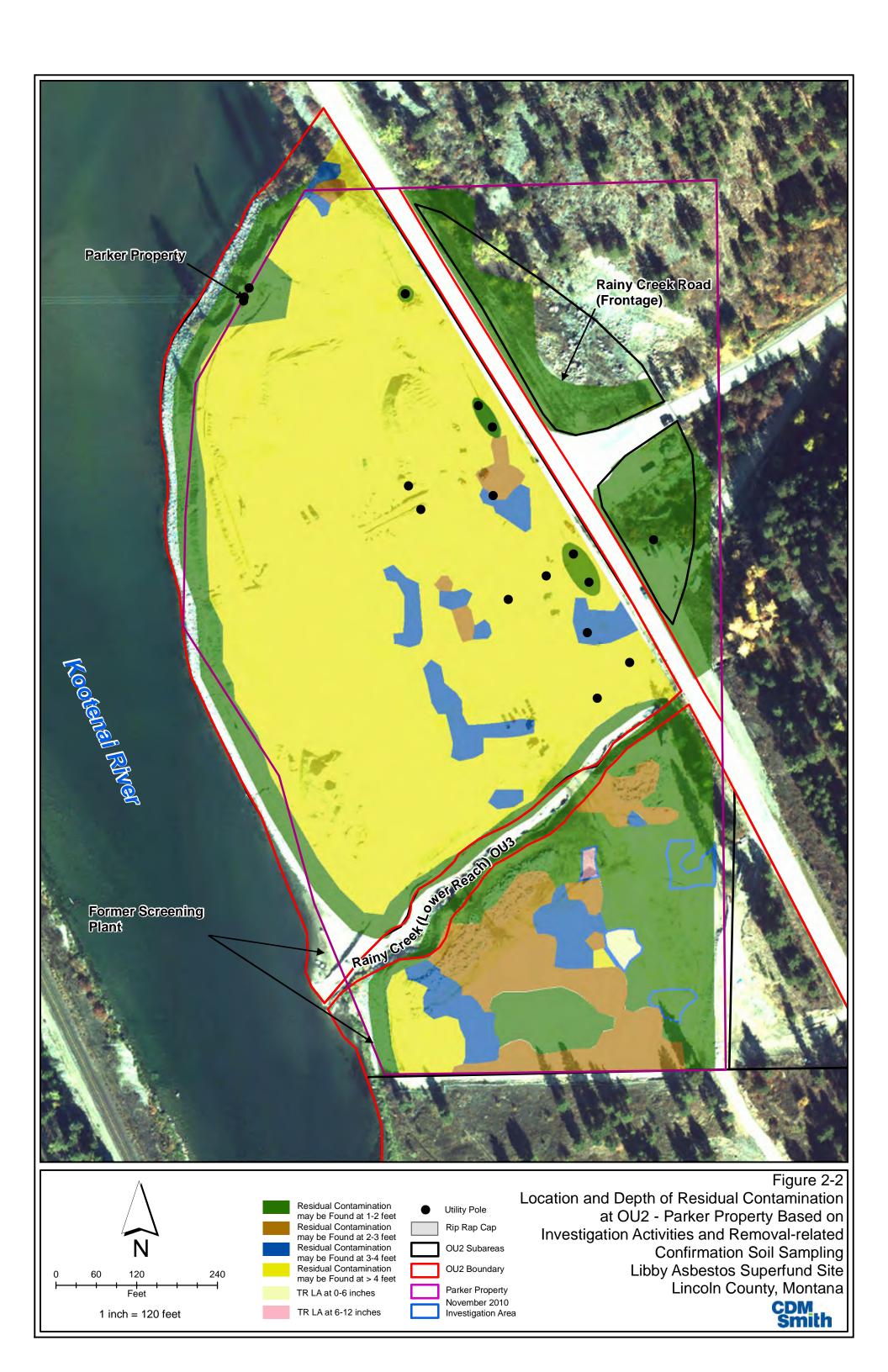


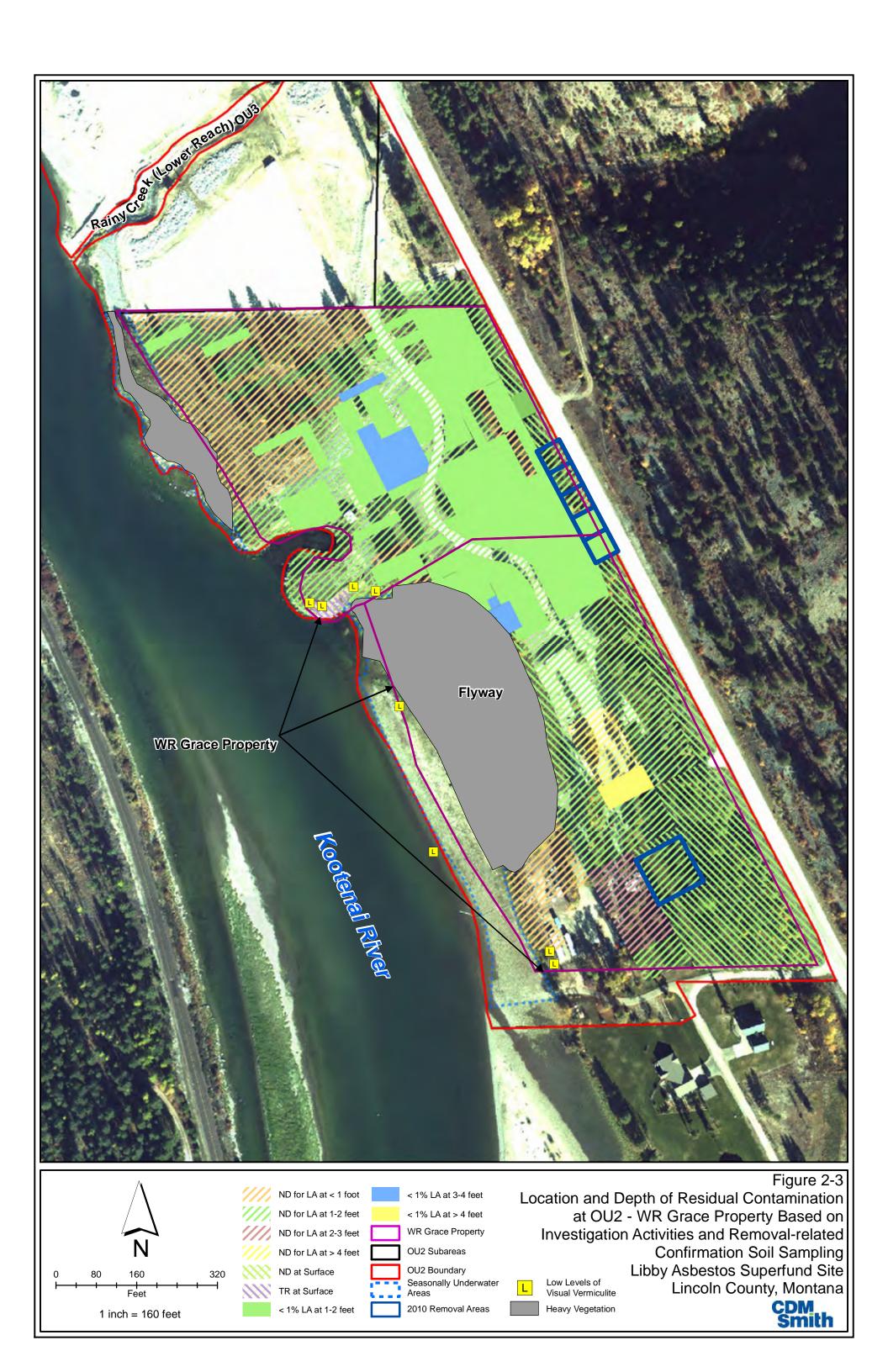


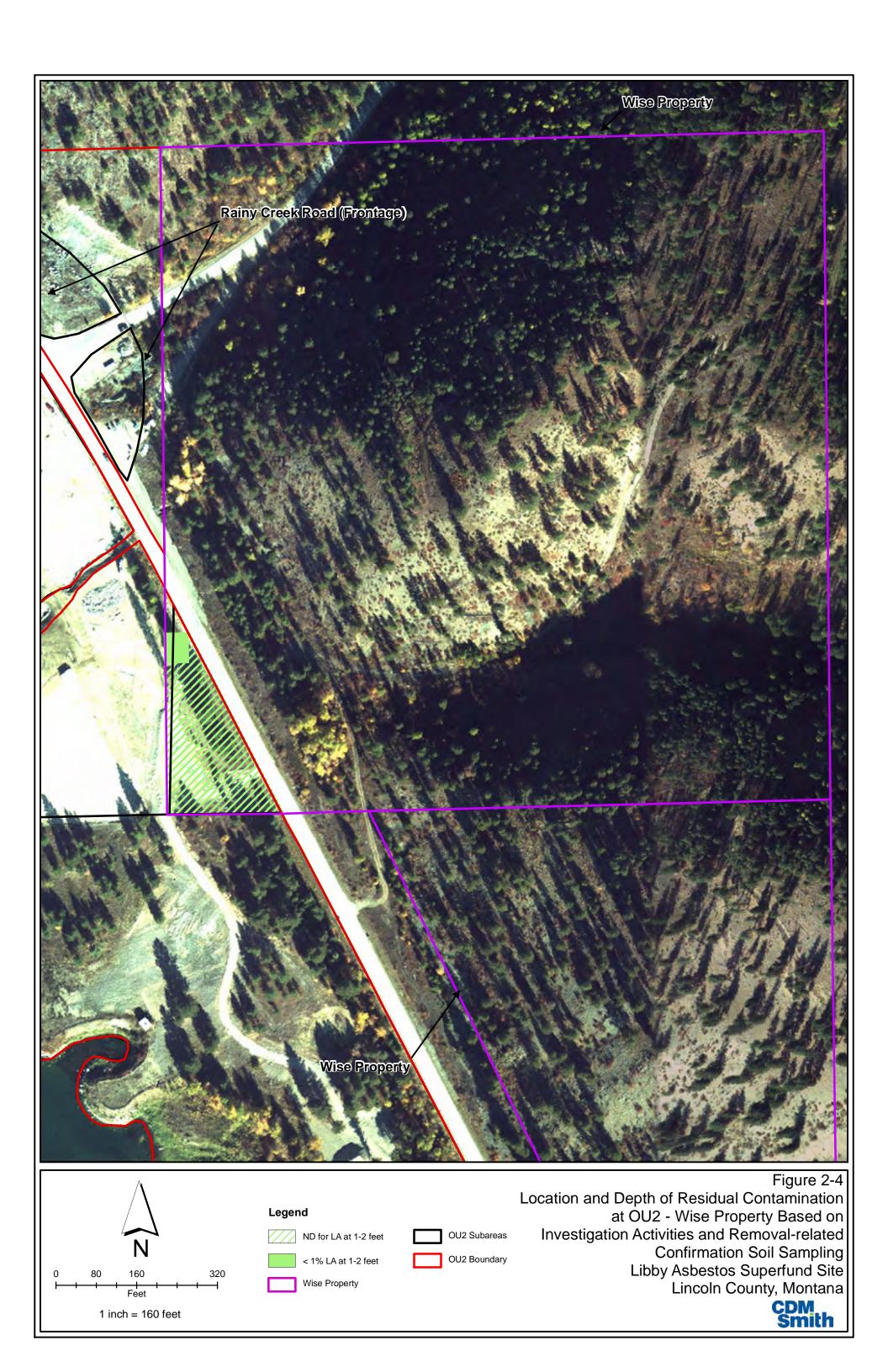




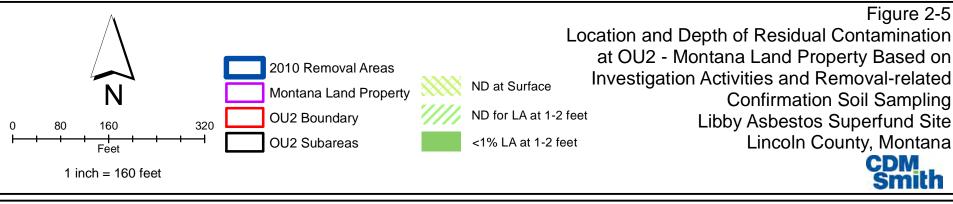


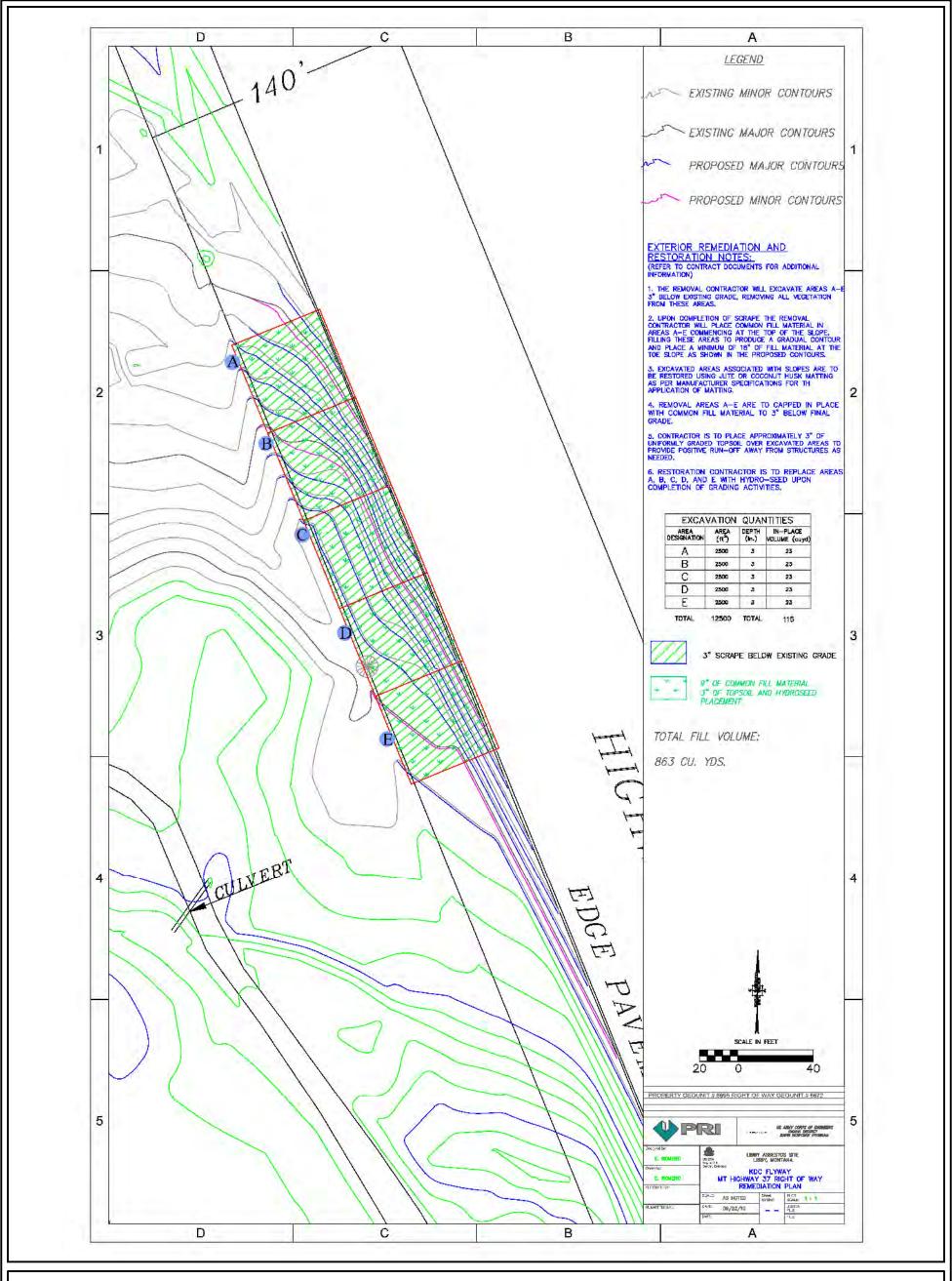










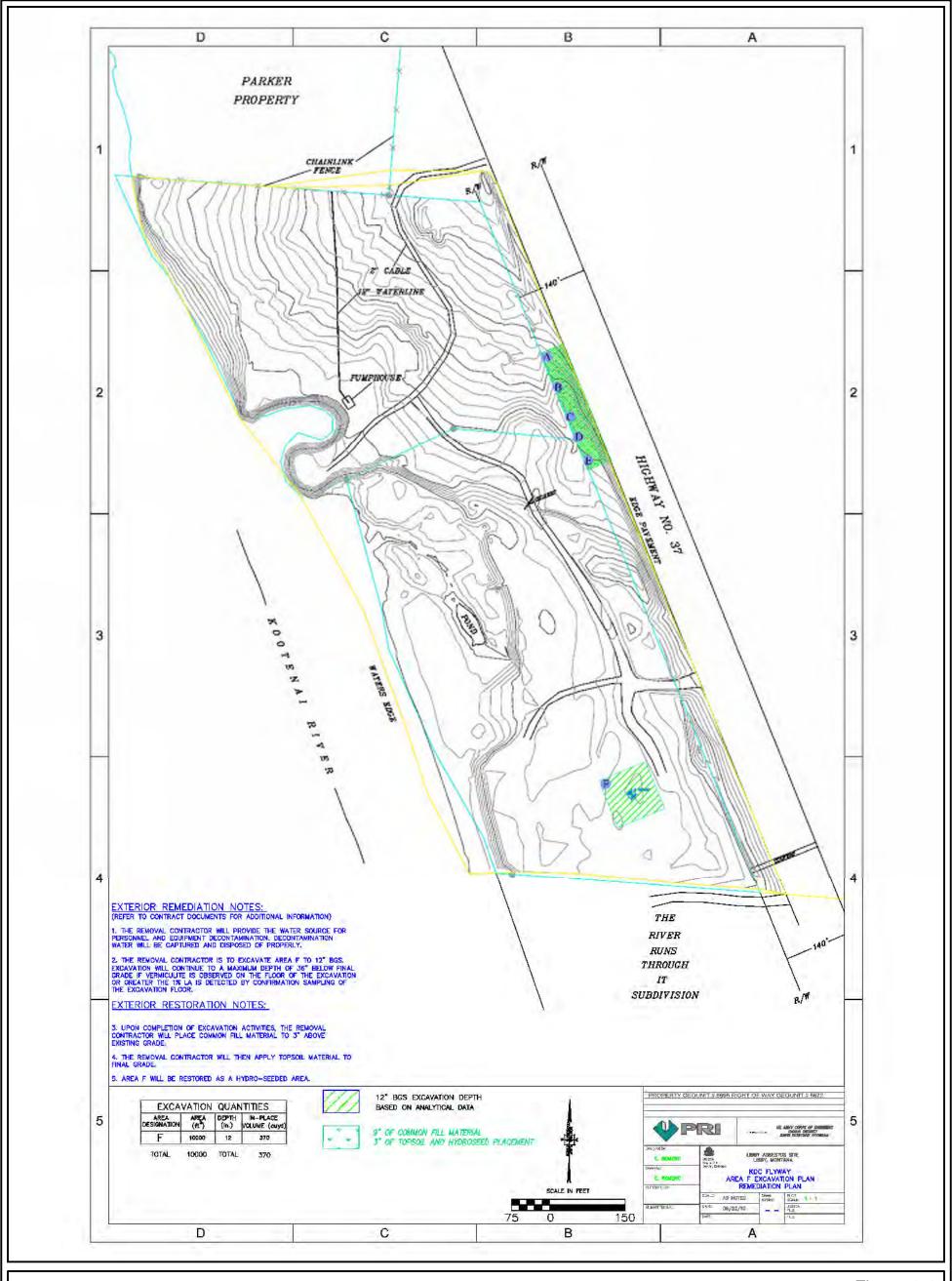


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Figure 3-1 Remediation Design KDC Flyway: MT Highway 37 Right of Way Libby Asbestos Superfund Site Lincoln County, Montana





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Figure 3-2 Remediation Design KDC Flyway: Area F Libby Asbestos Superfund Site Lincoln County, Montana





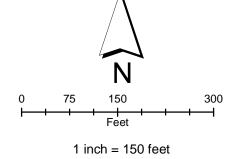
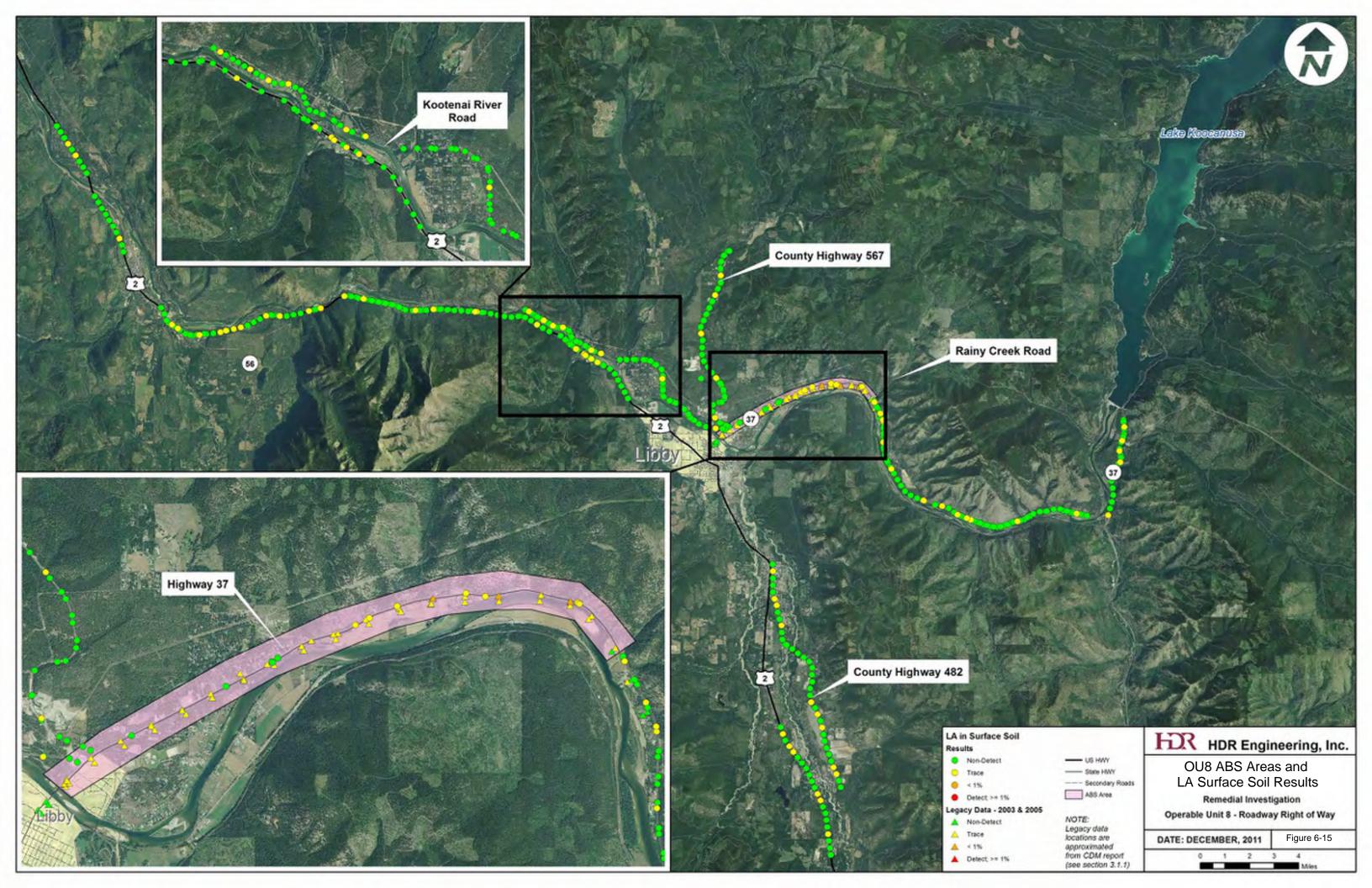


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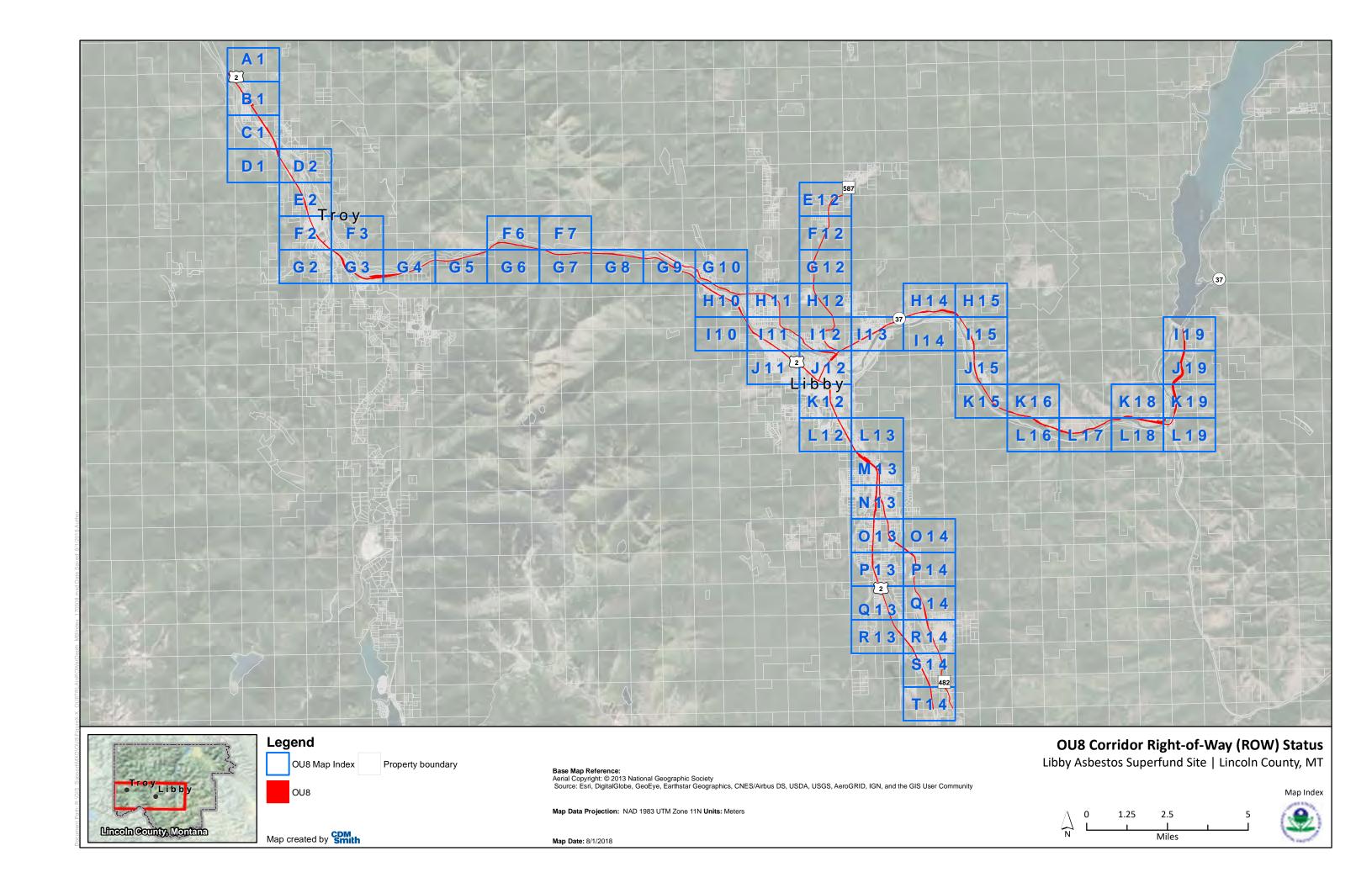
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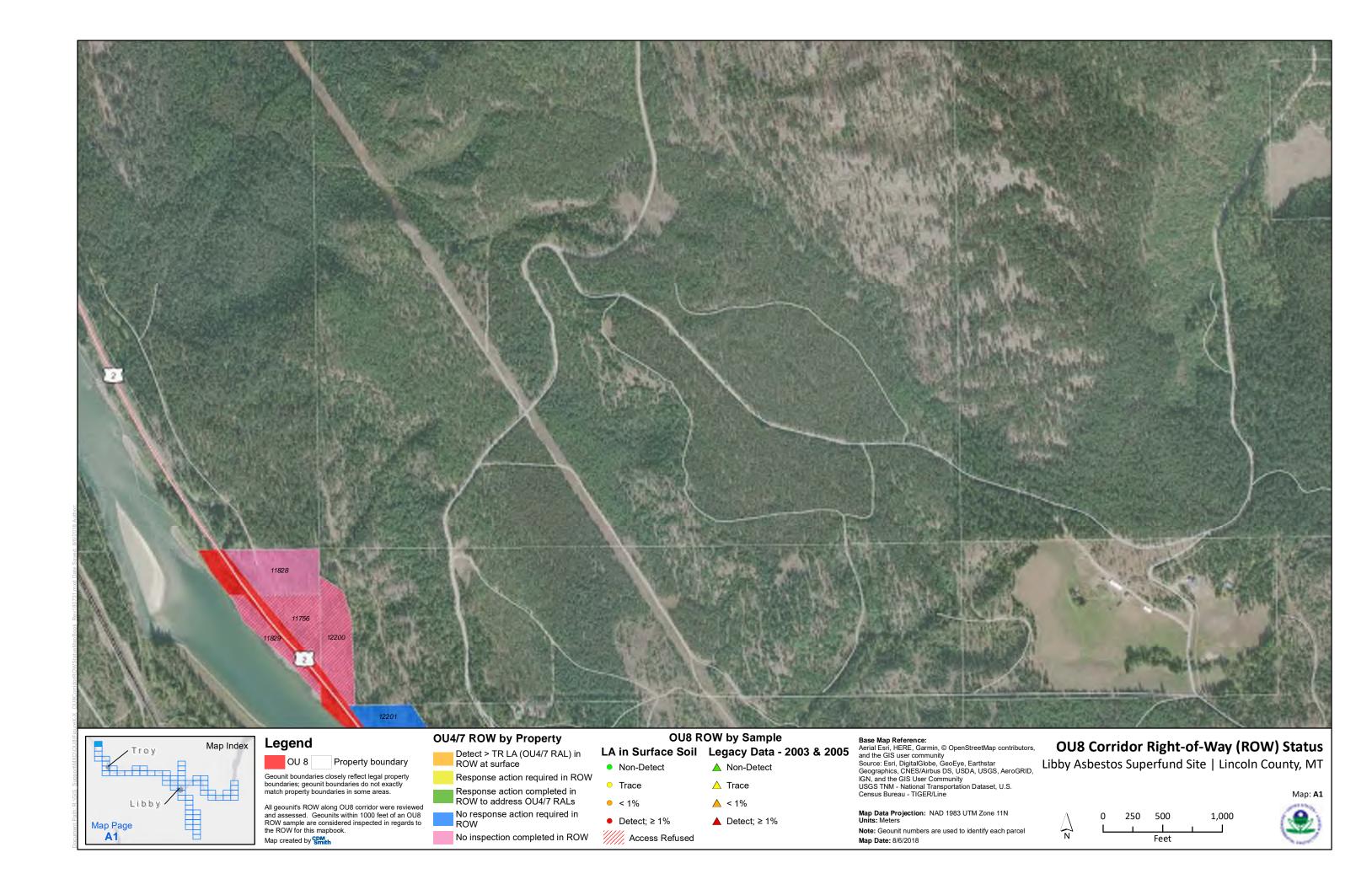
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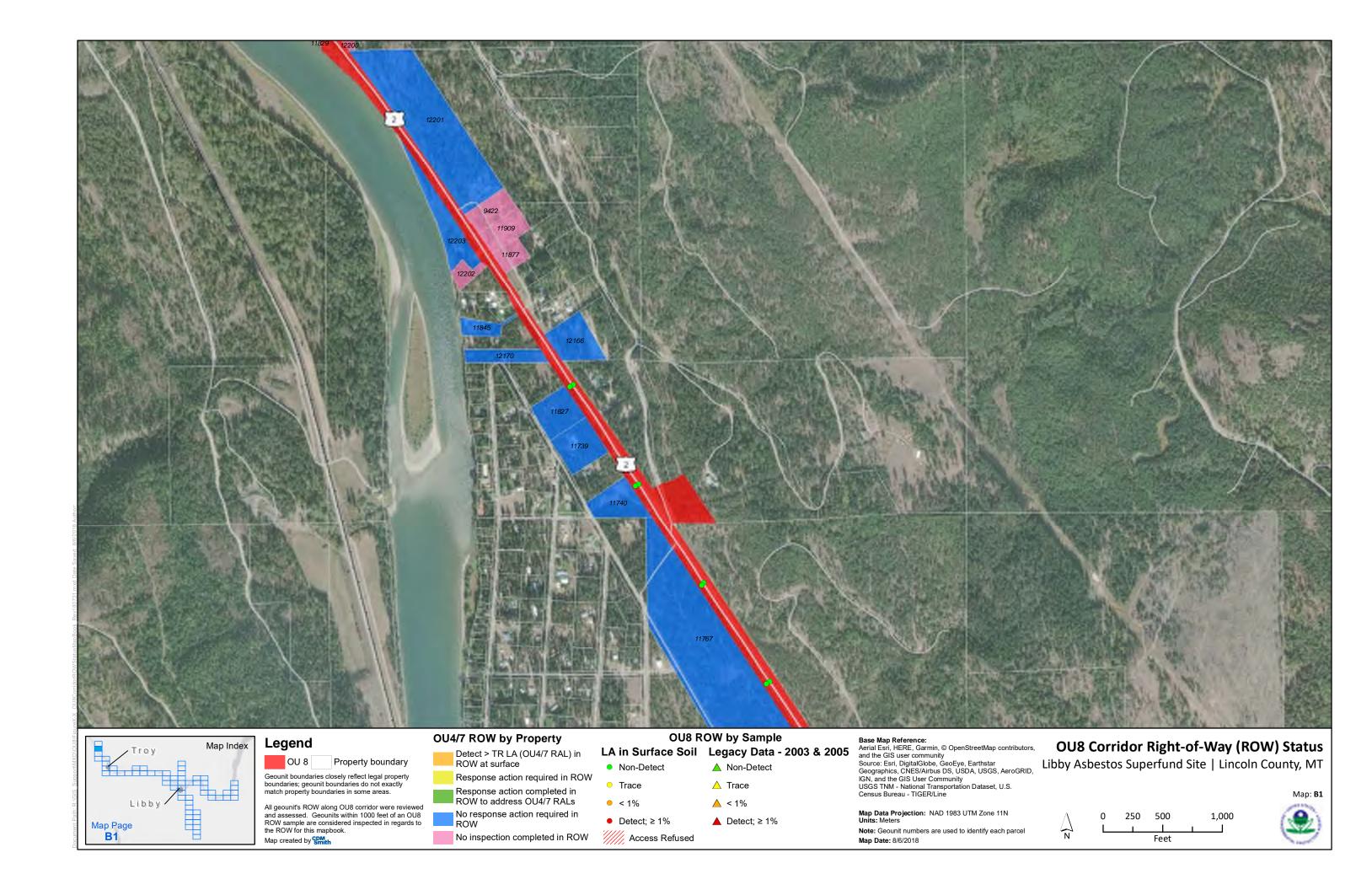


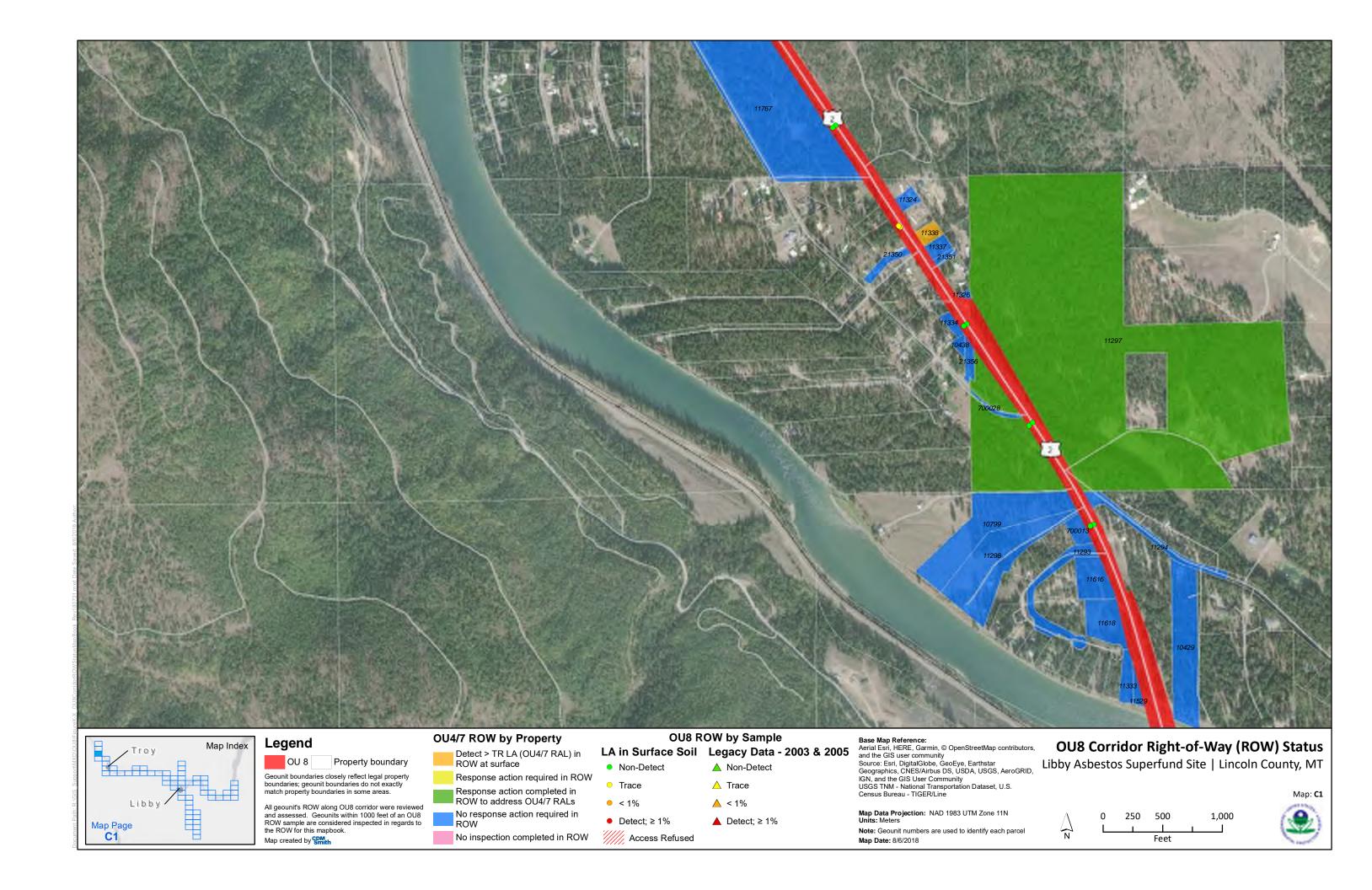
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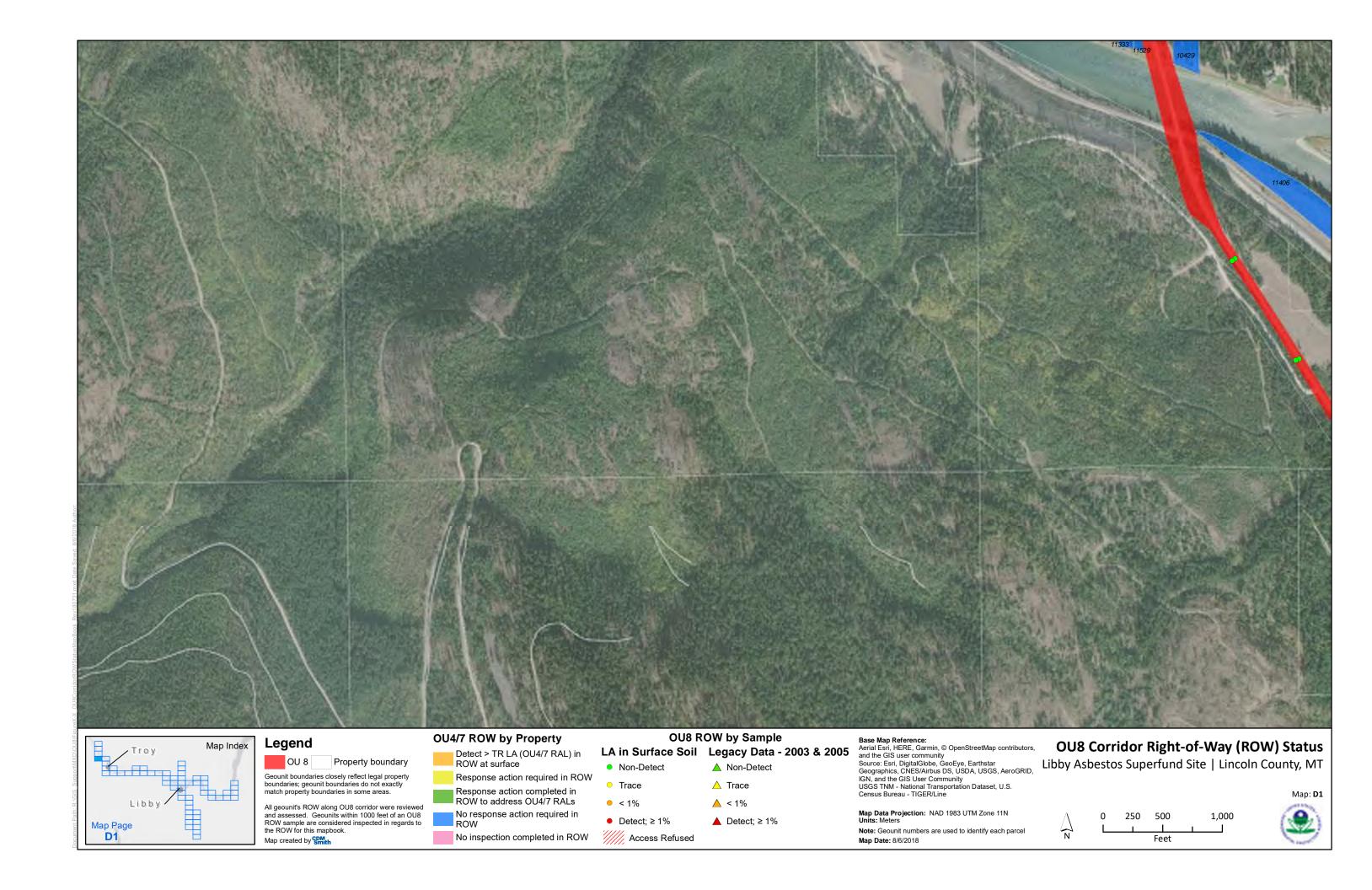
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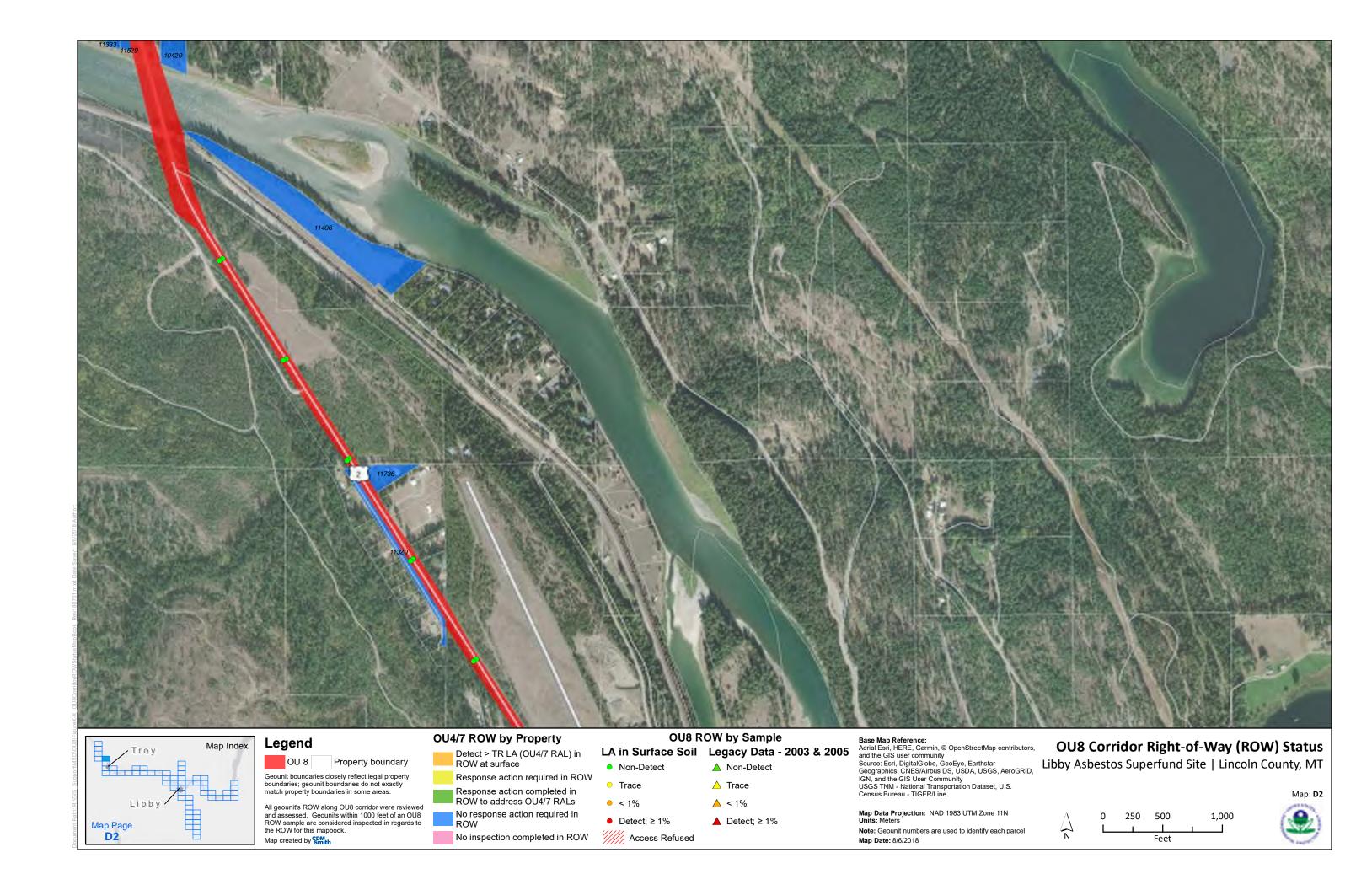


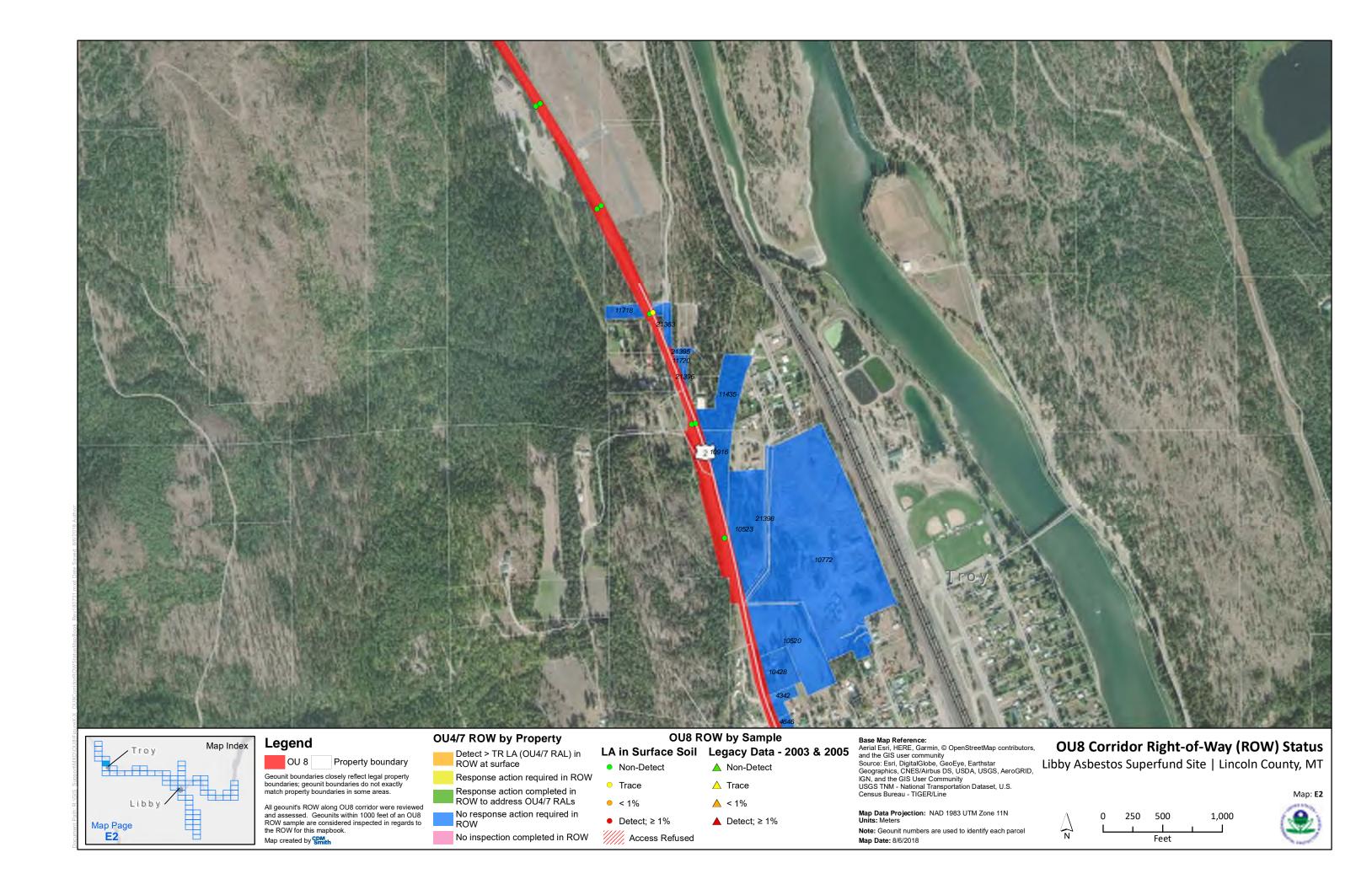


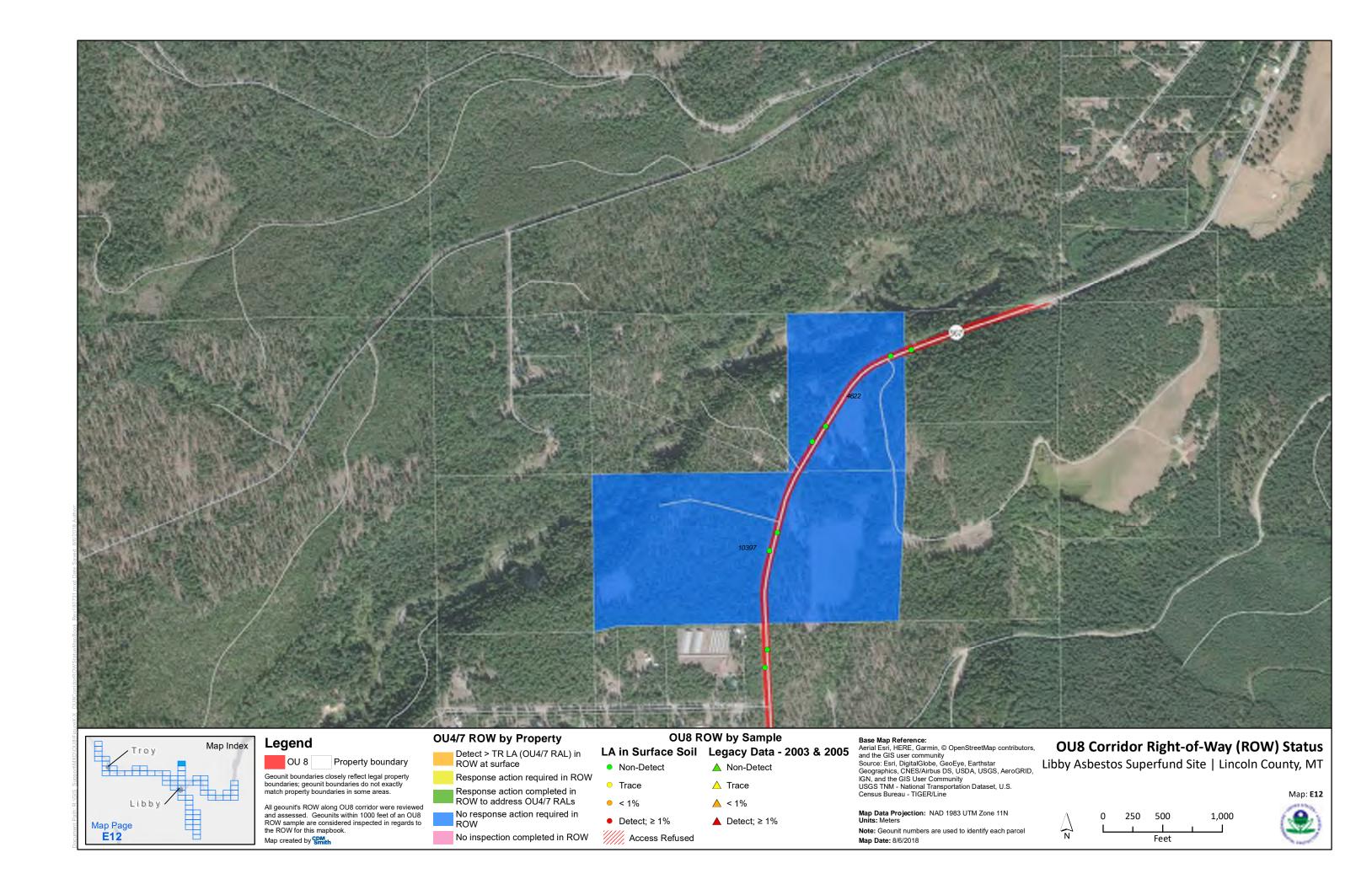


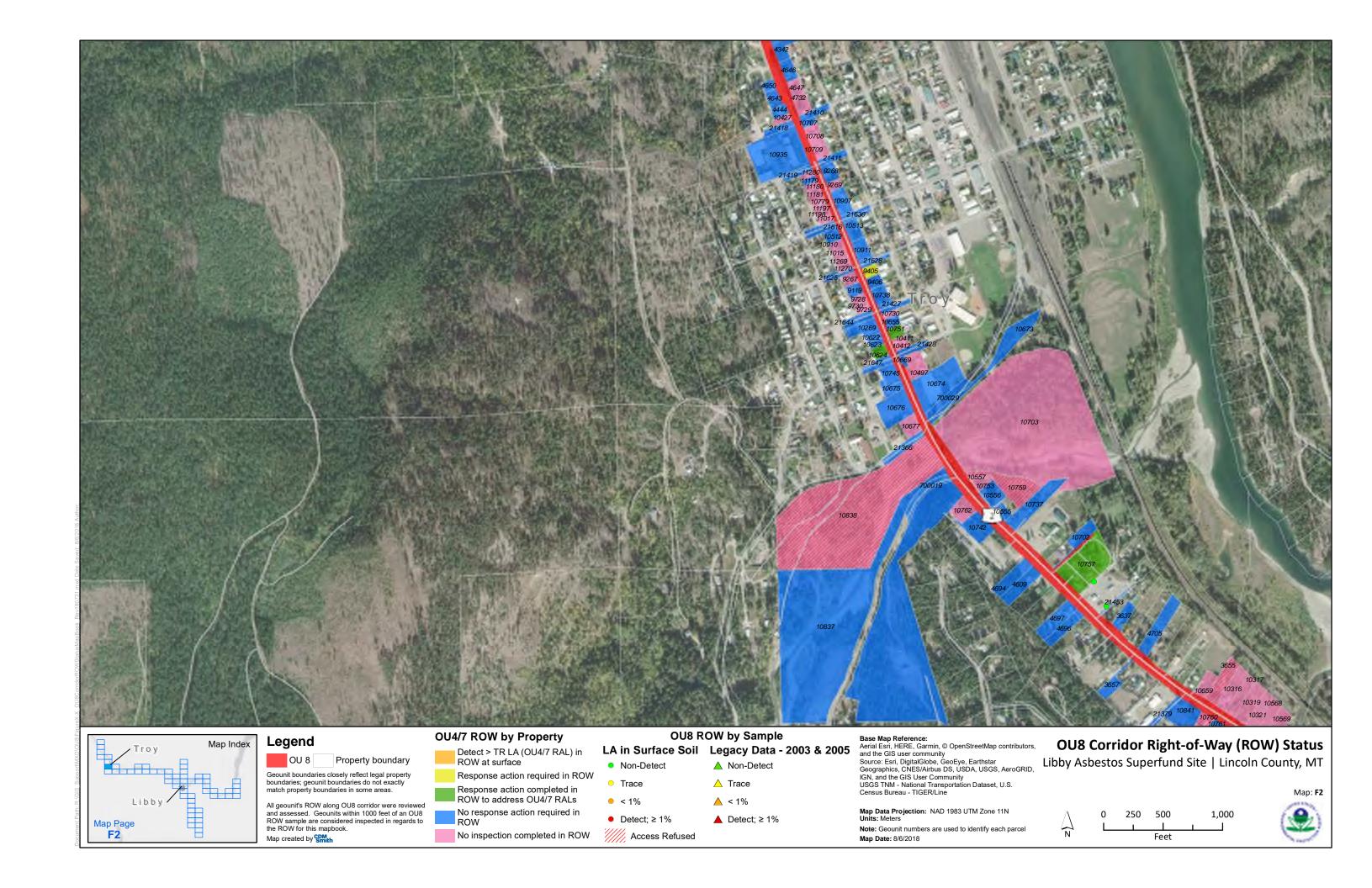


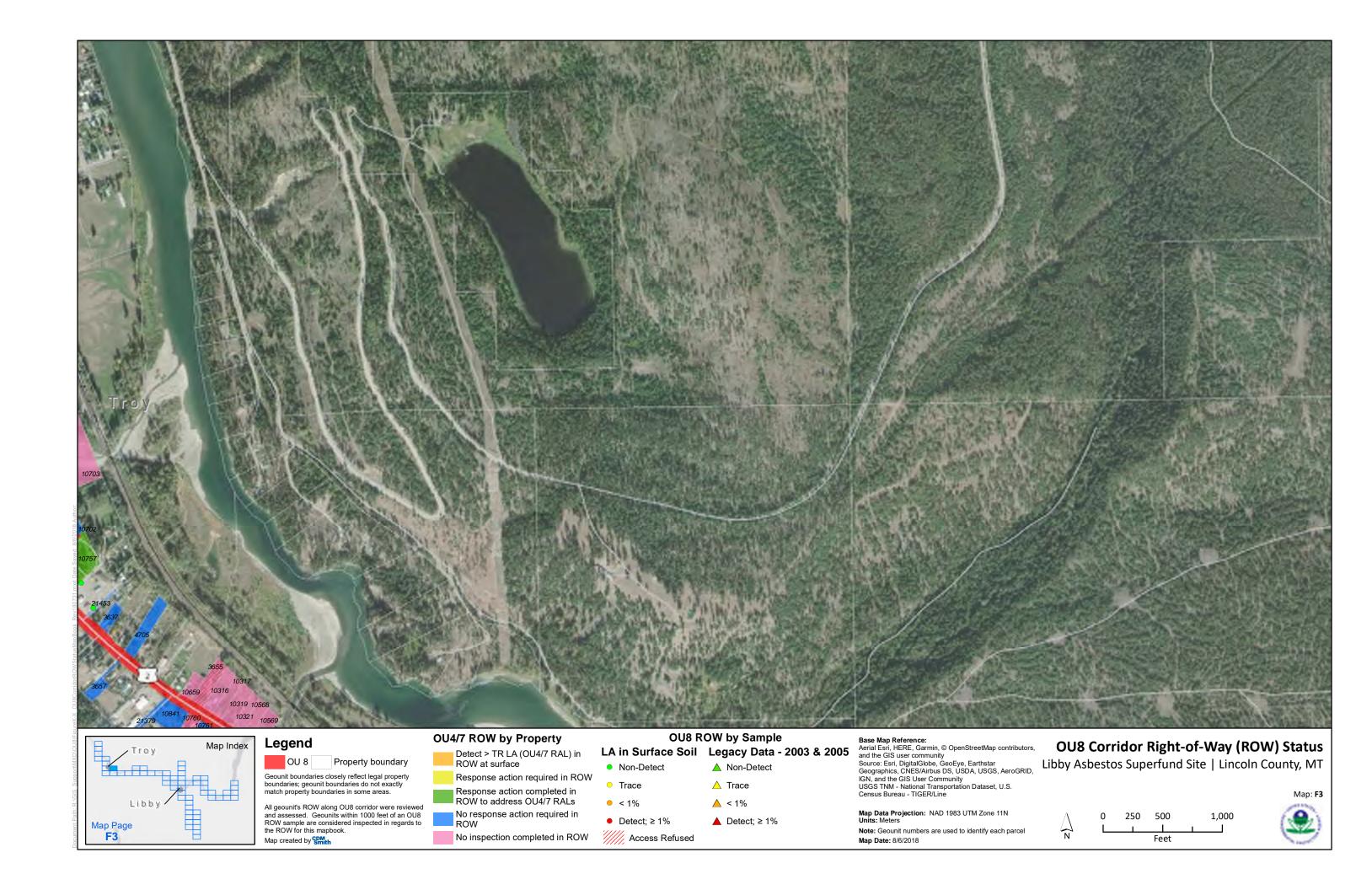


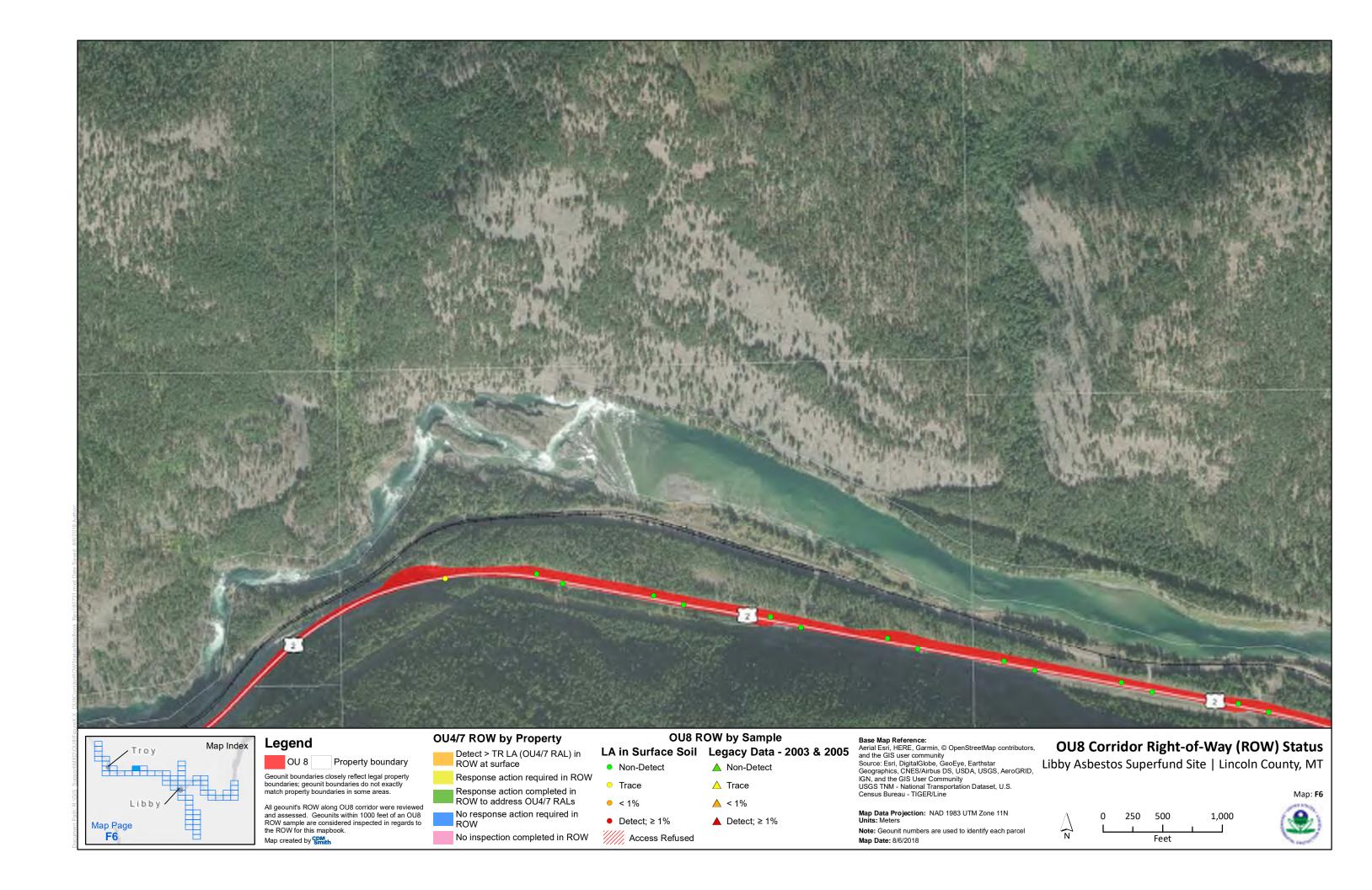


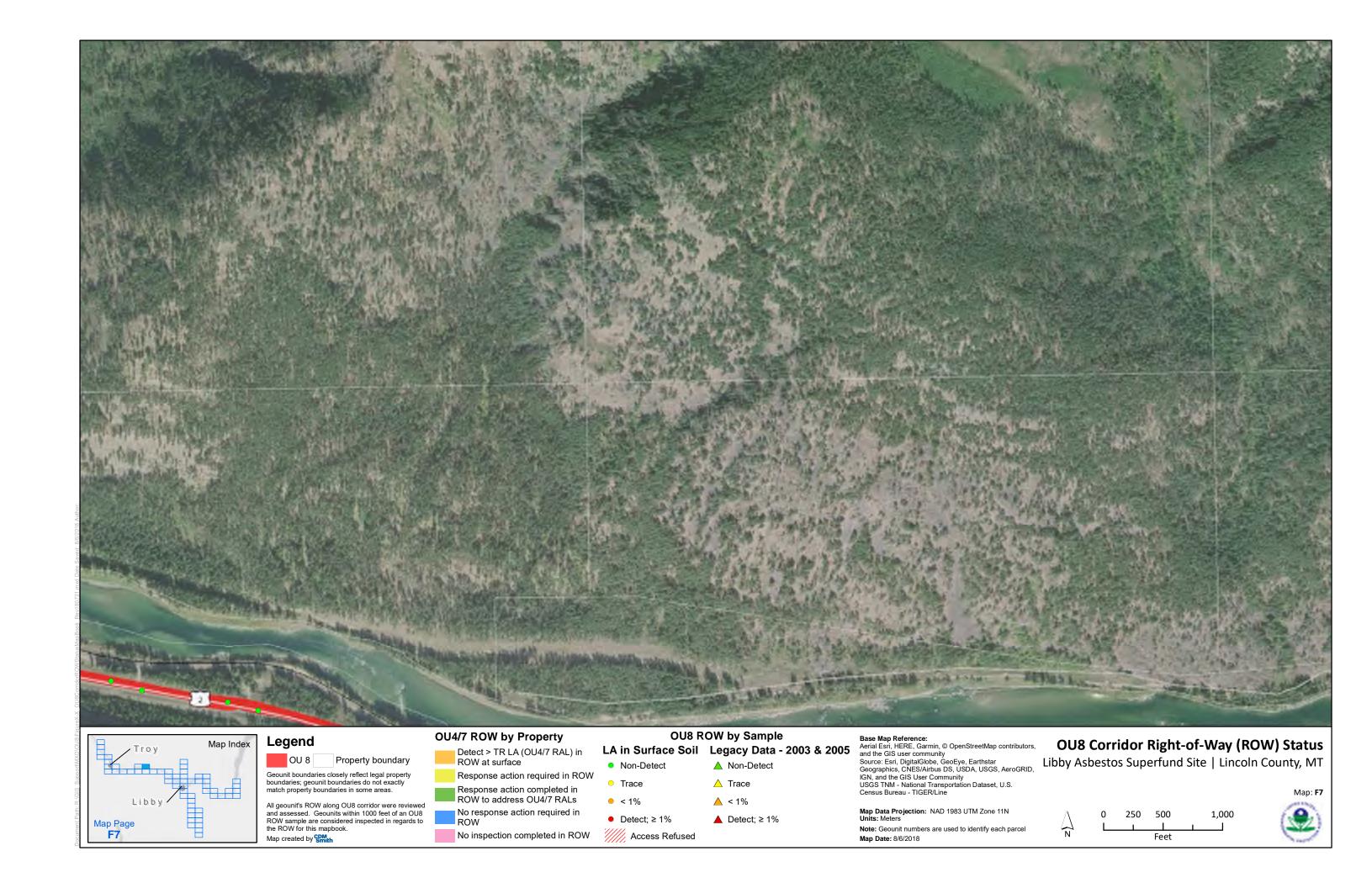


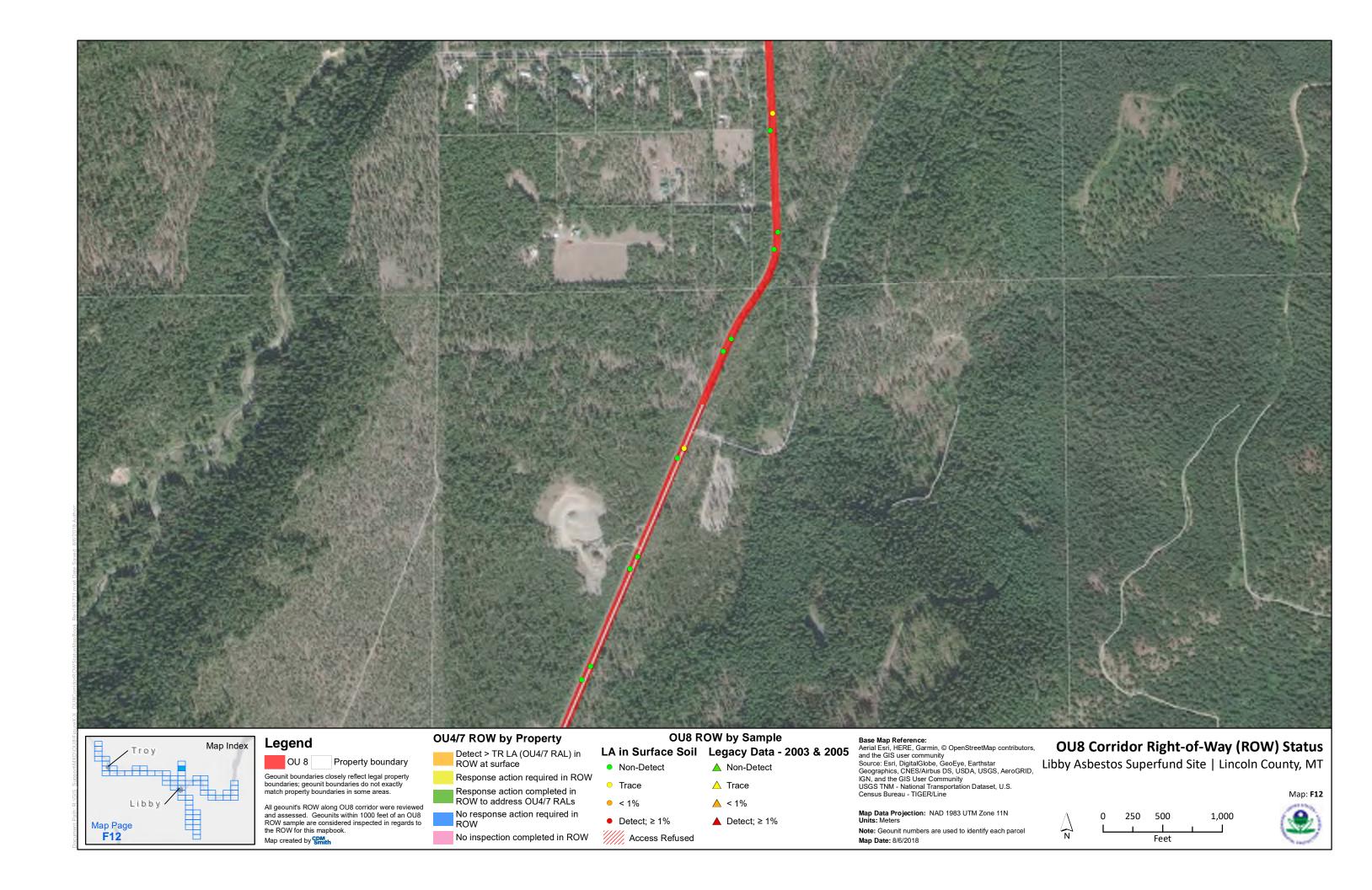


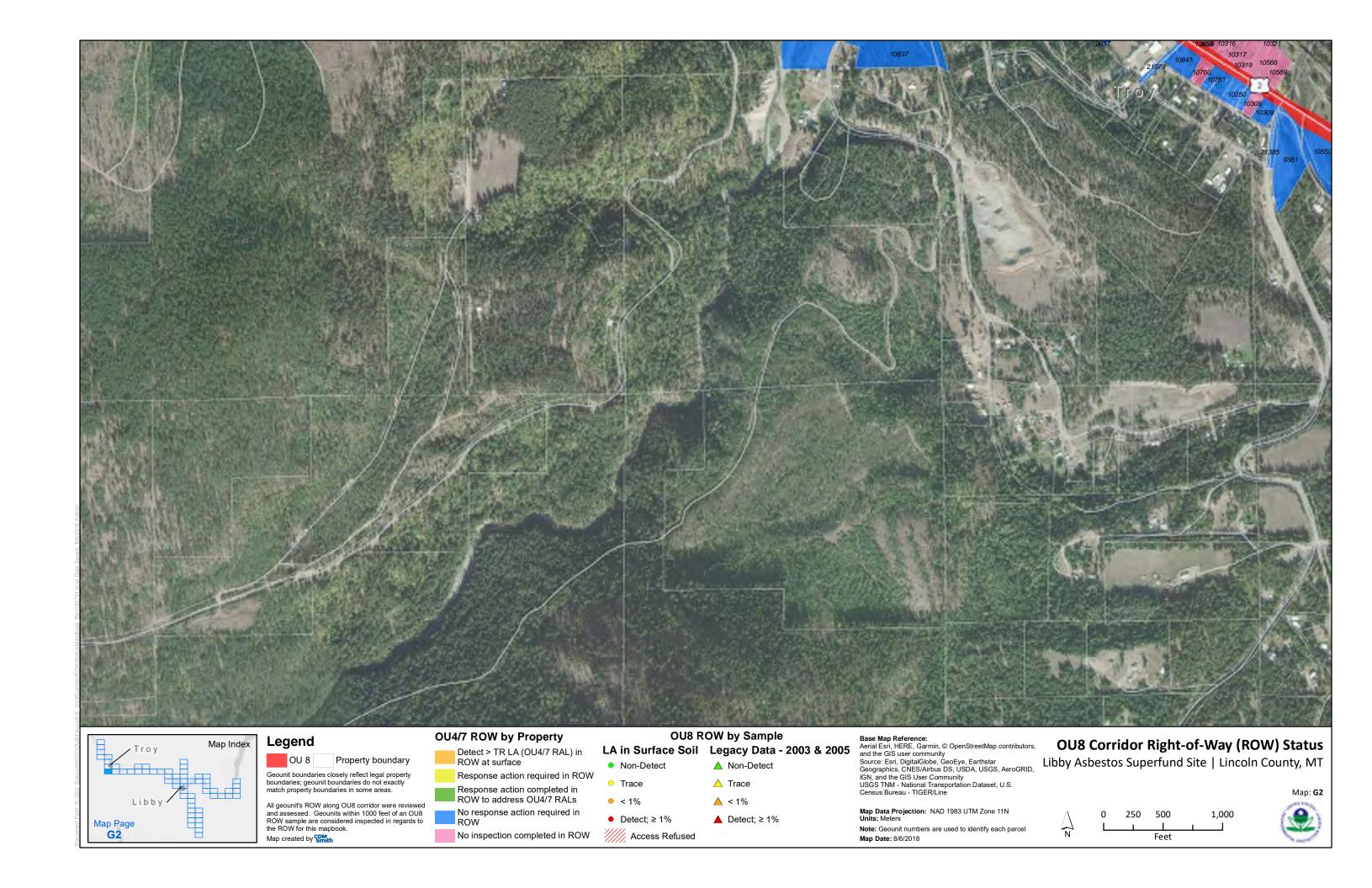


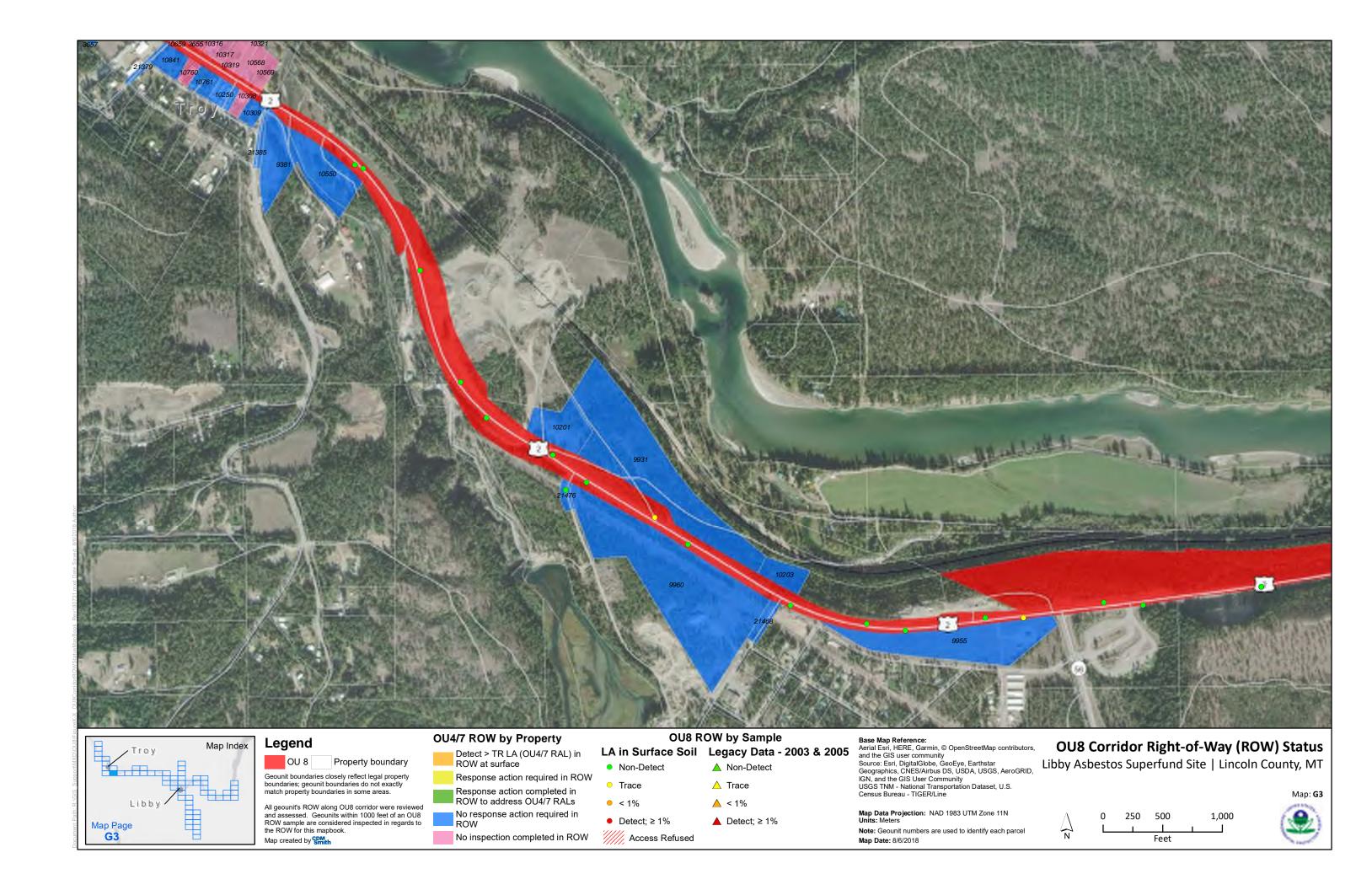


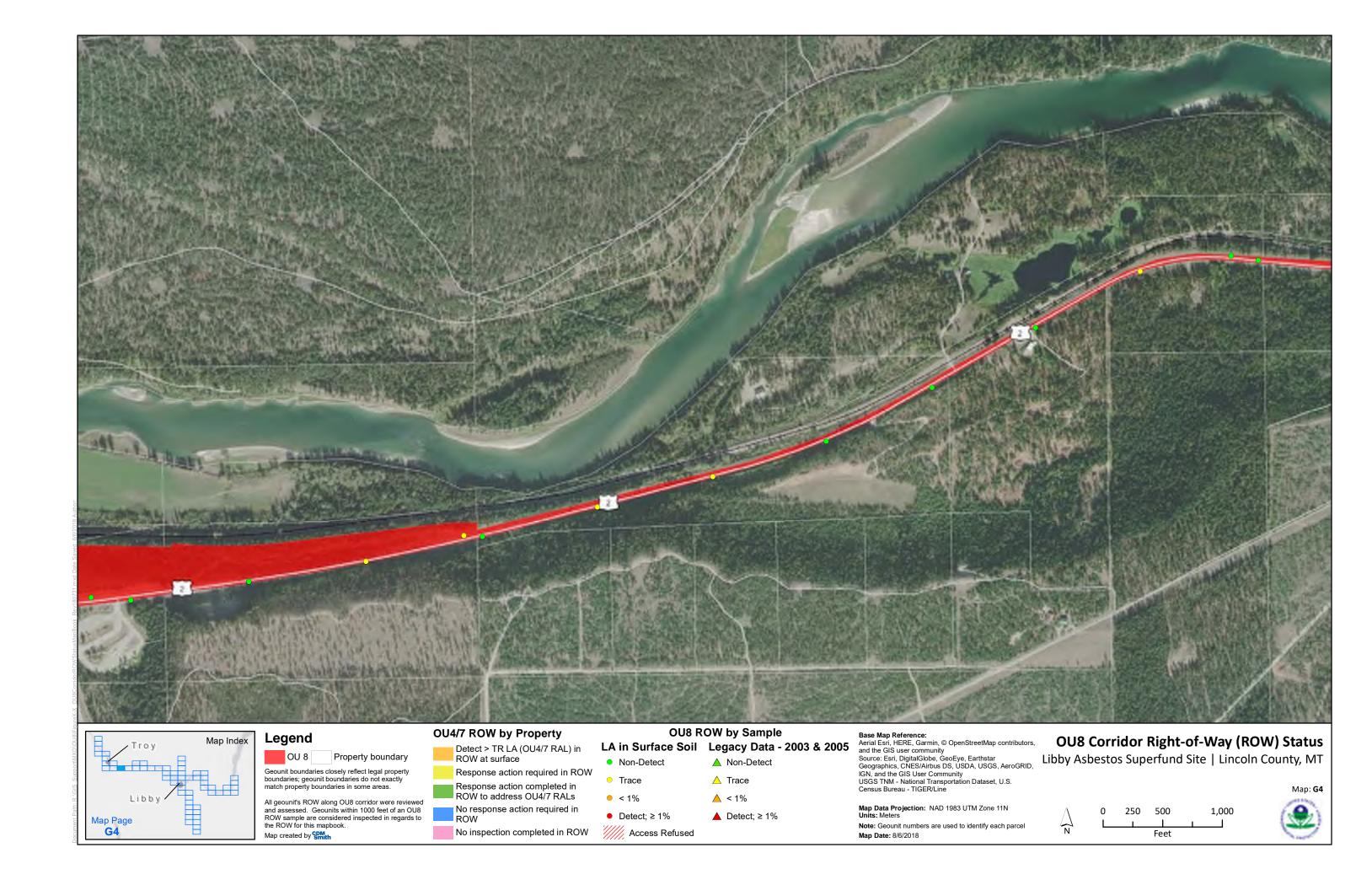


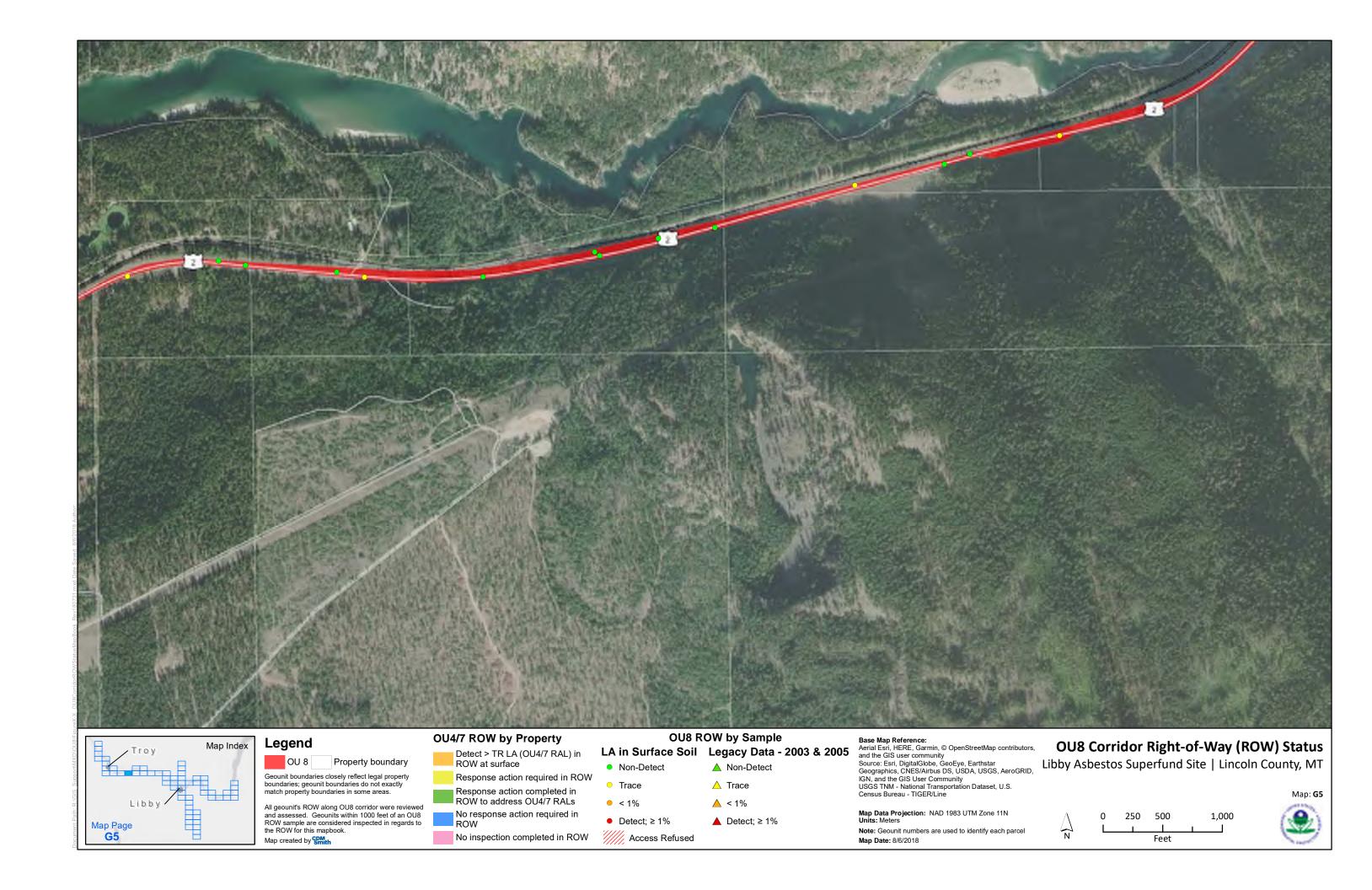


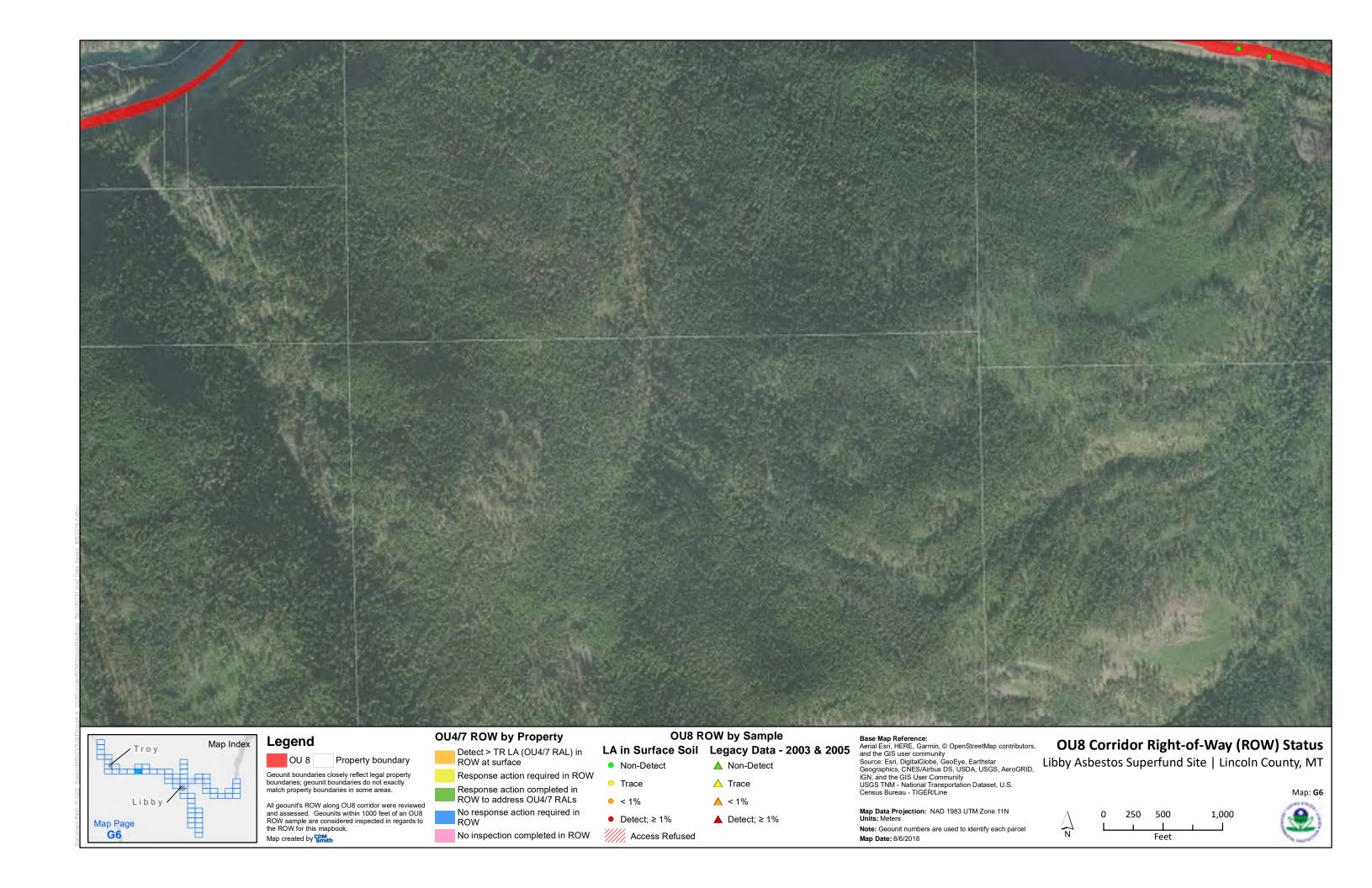


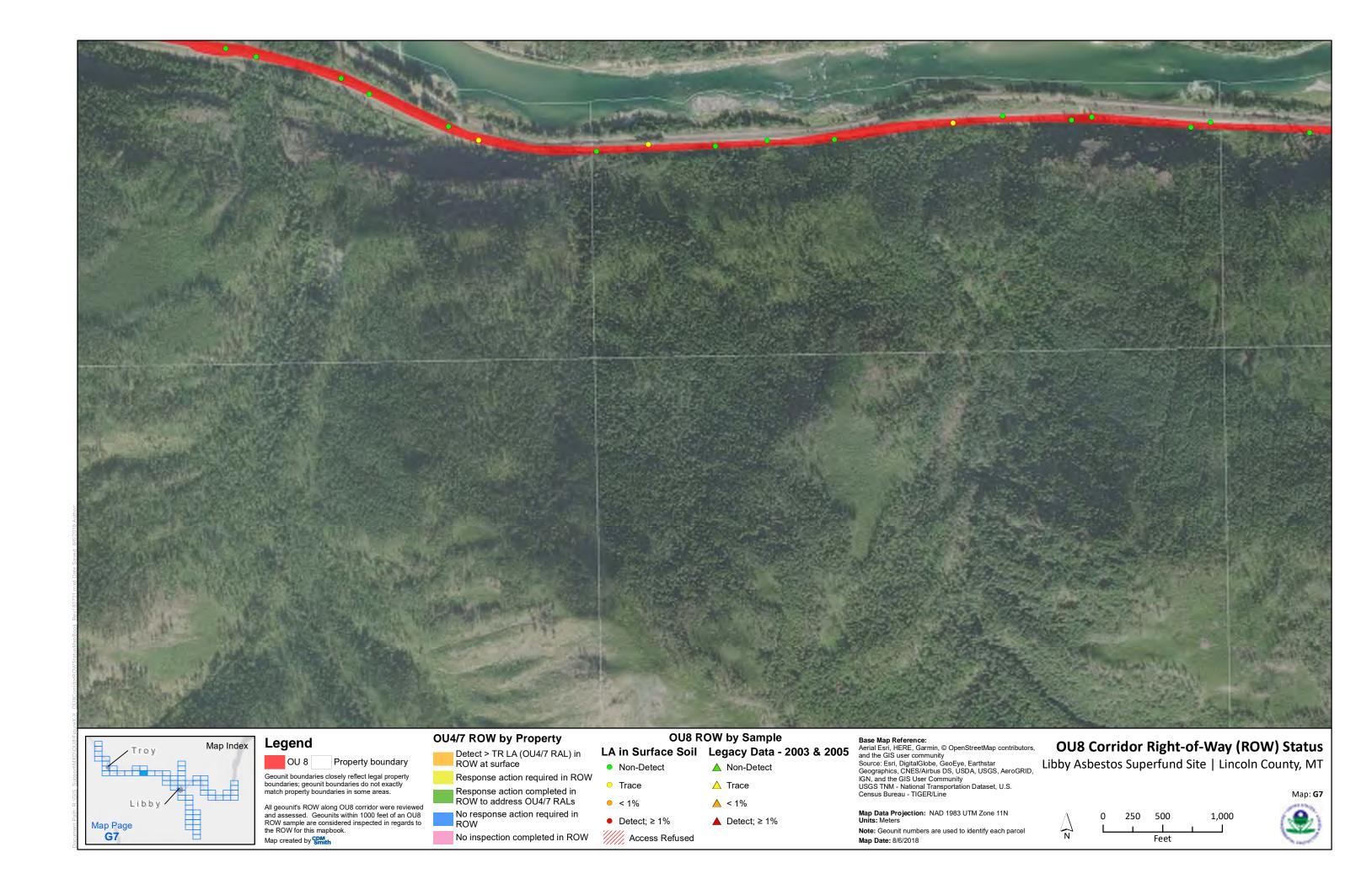


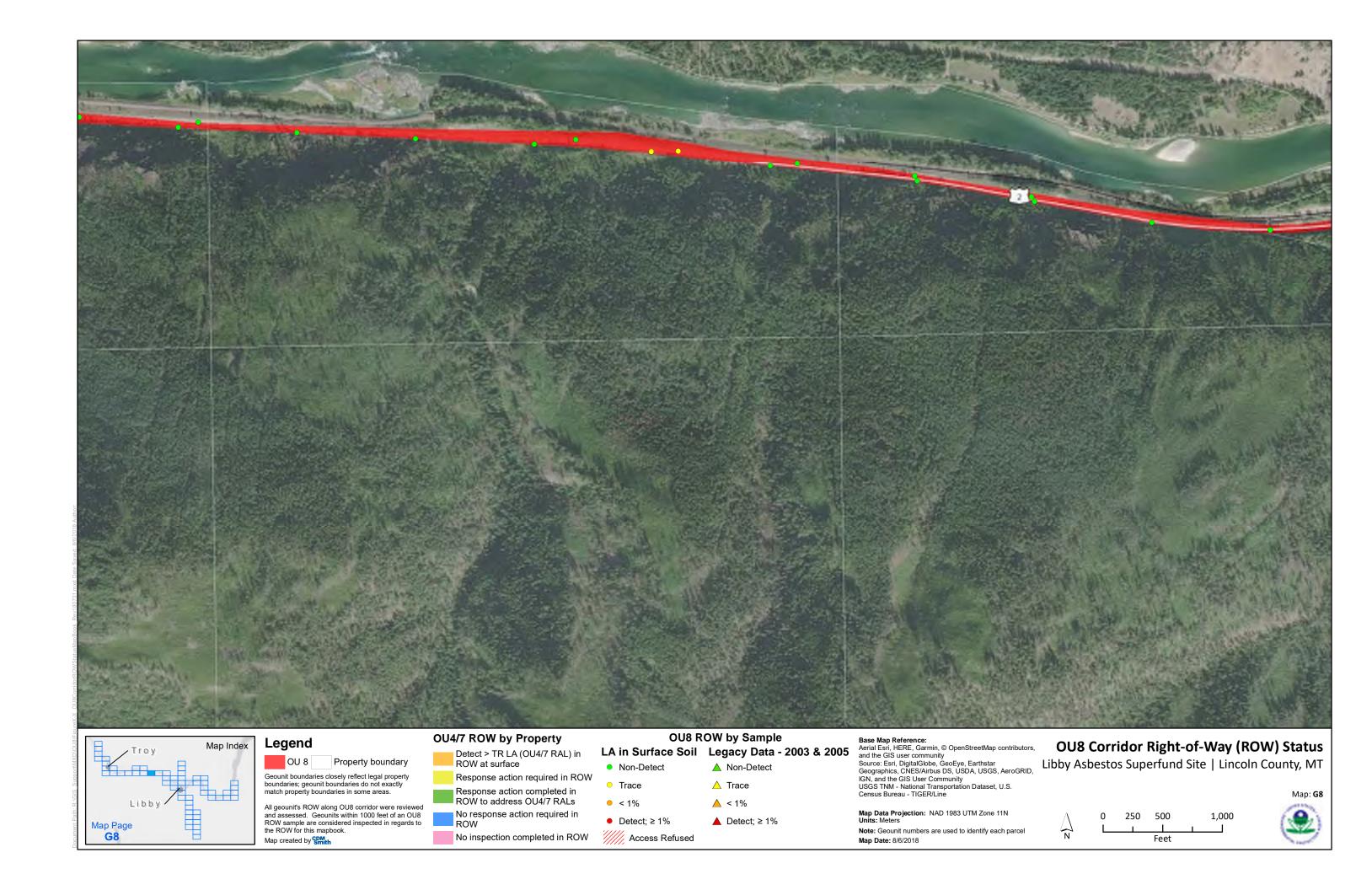


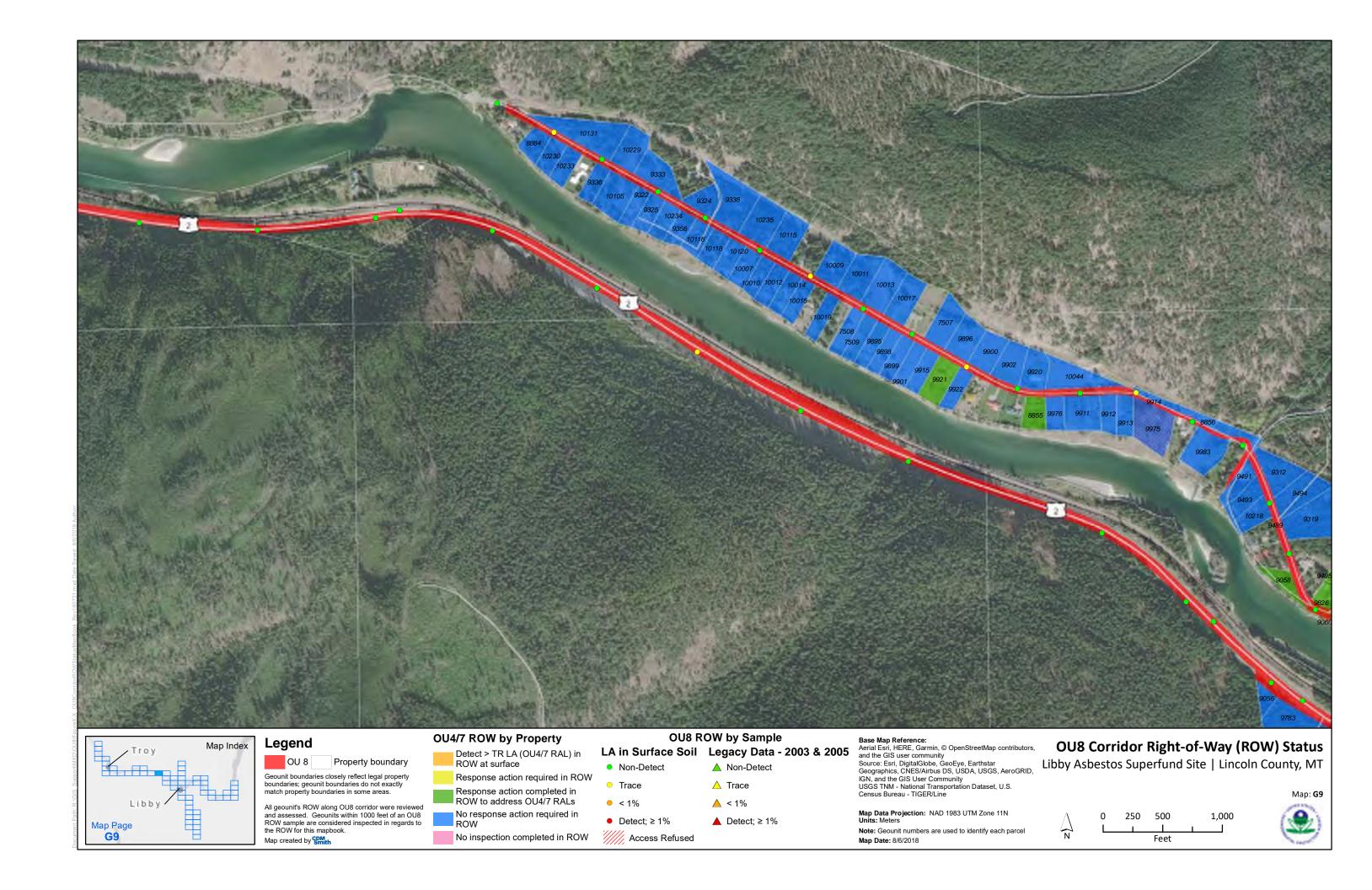


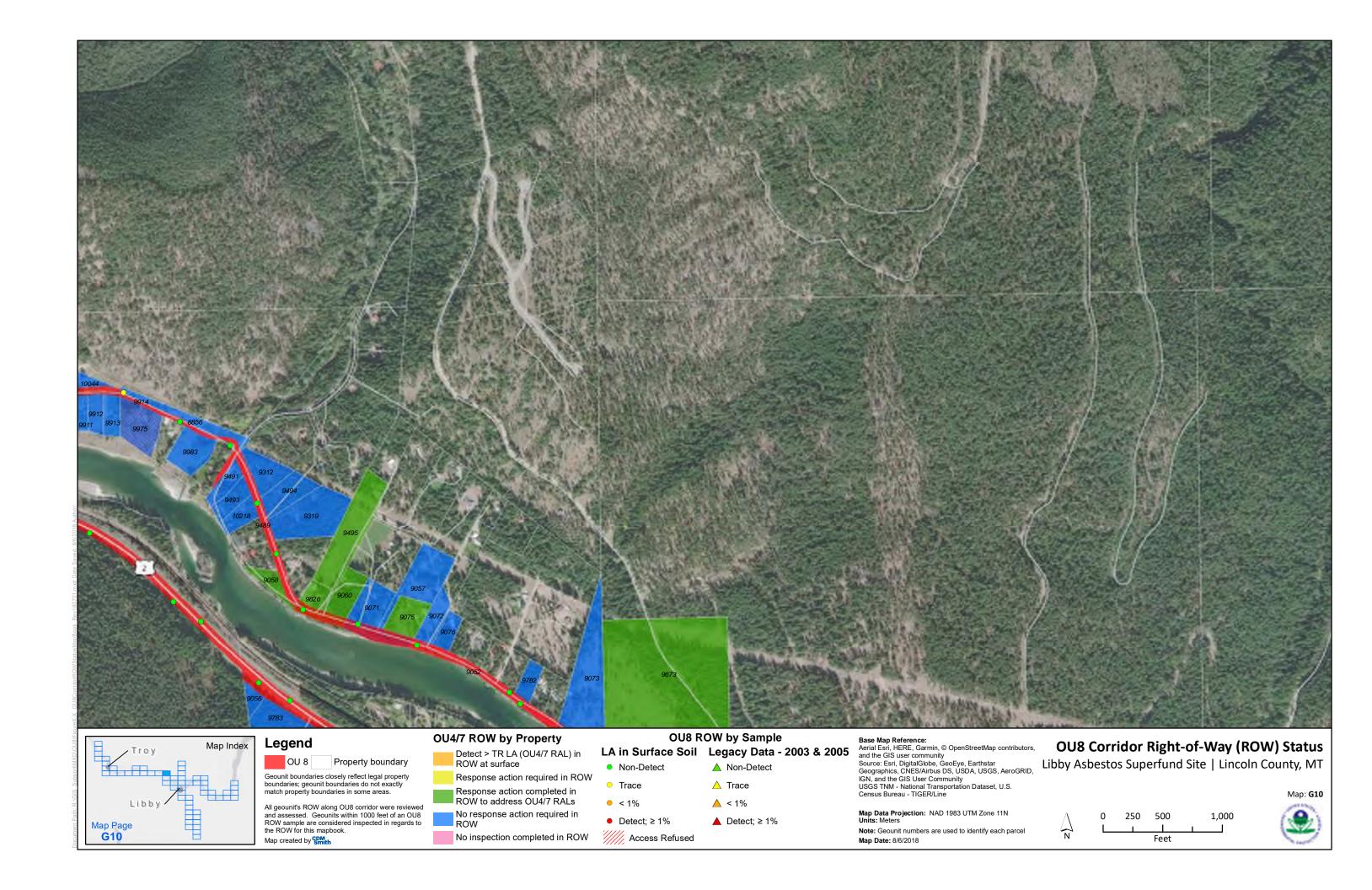


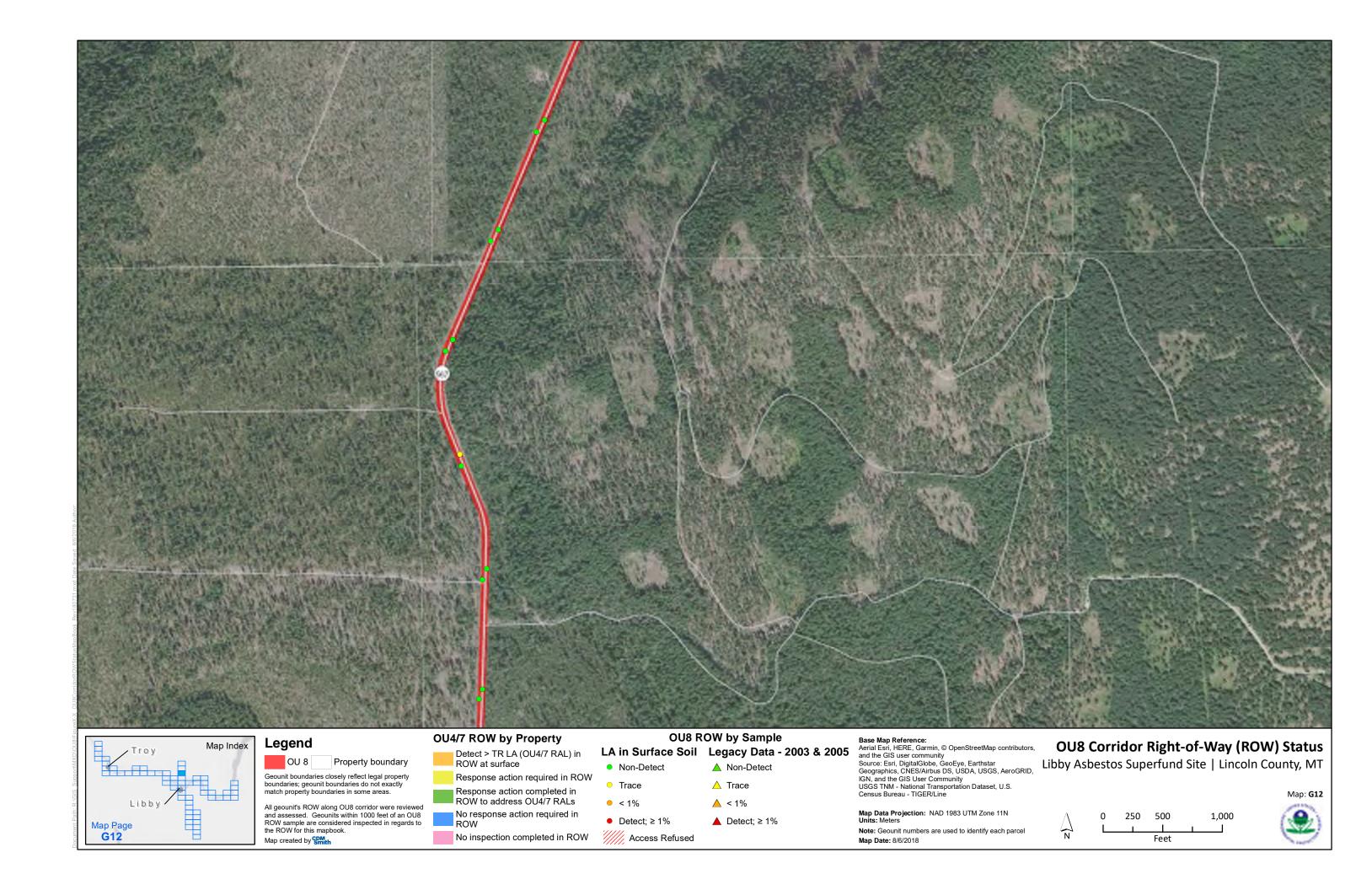


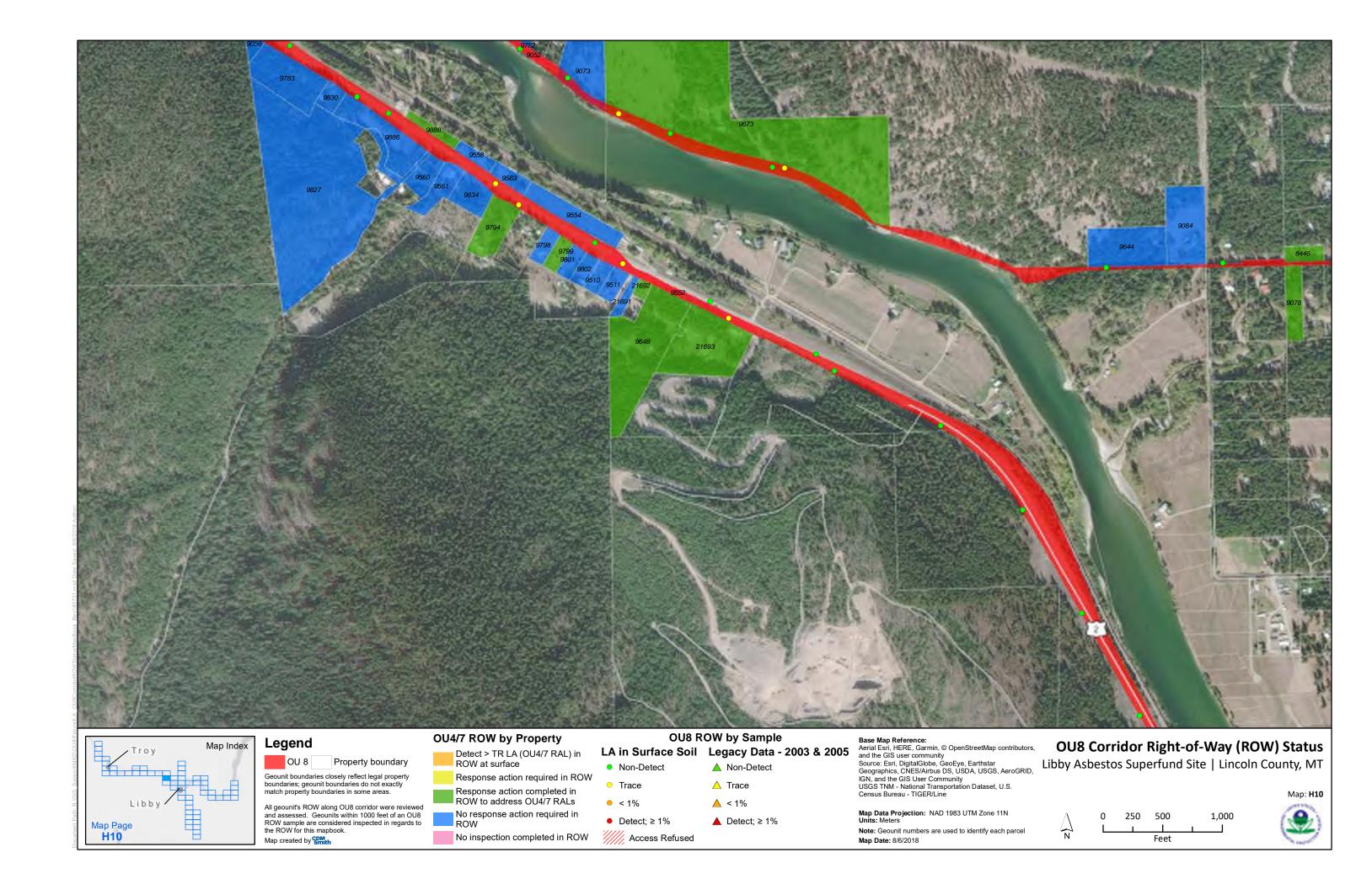


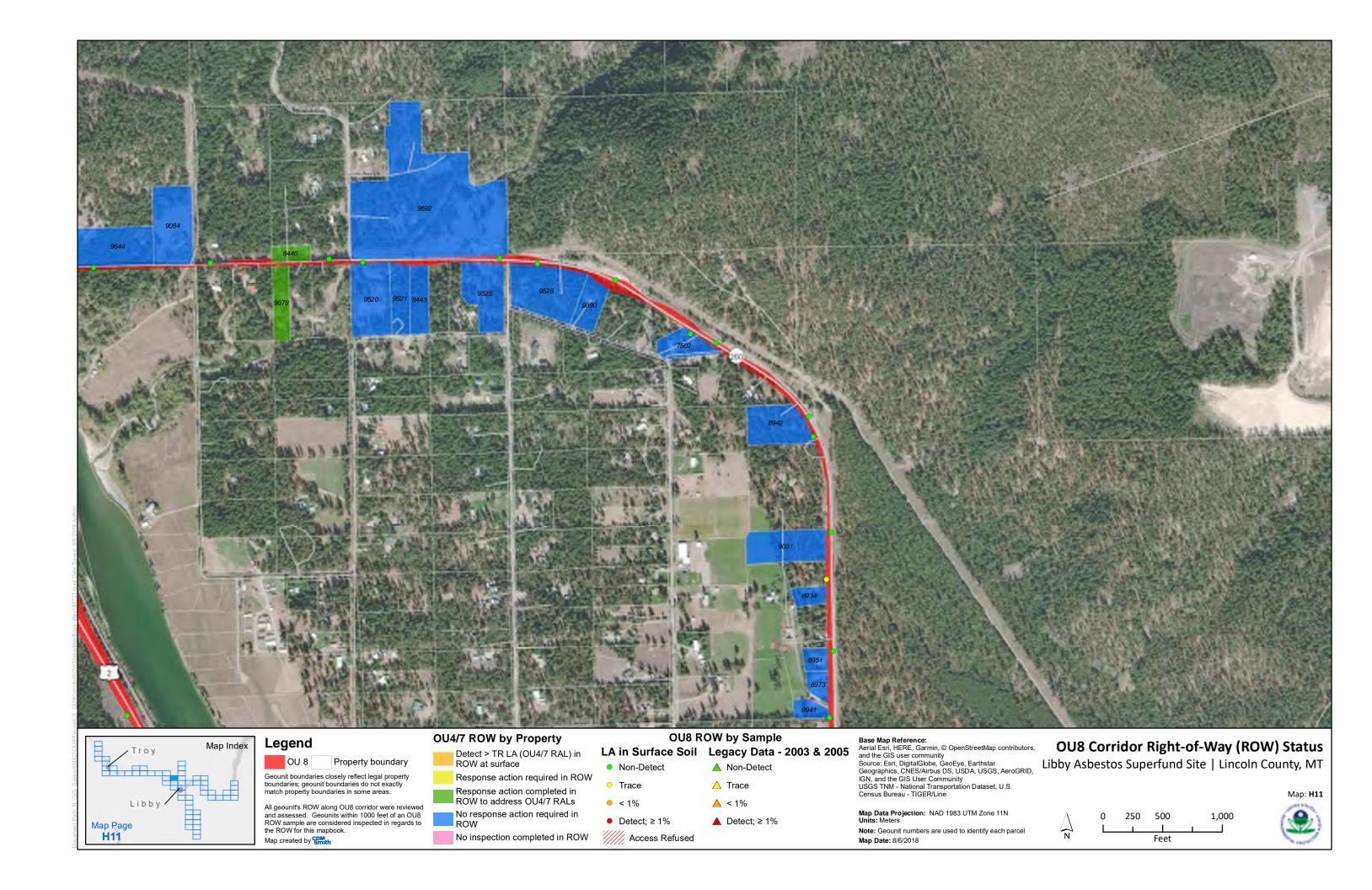


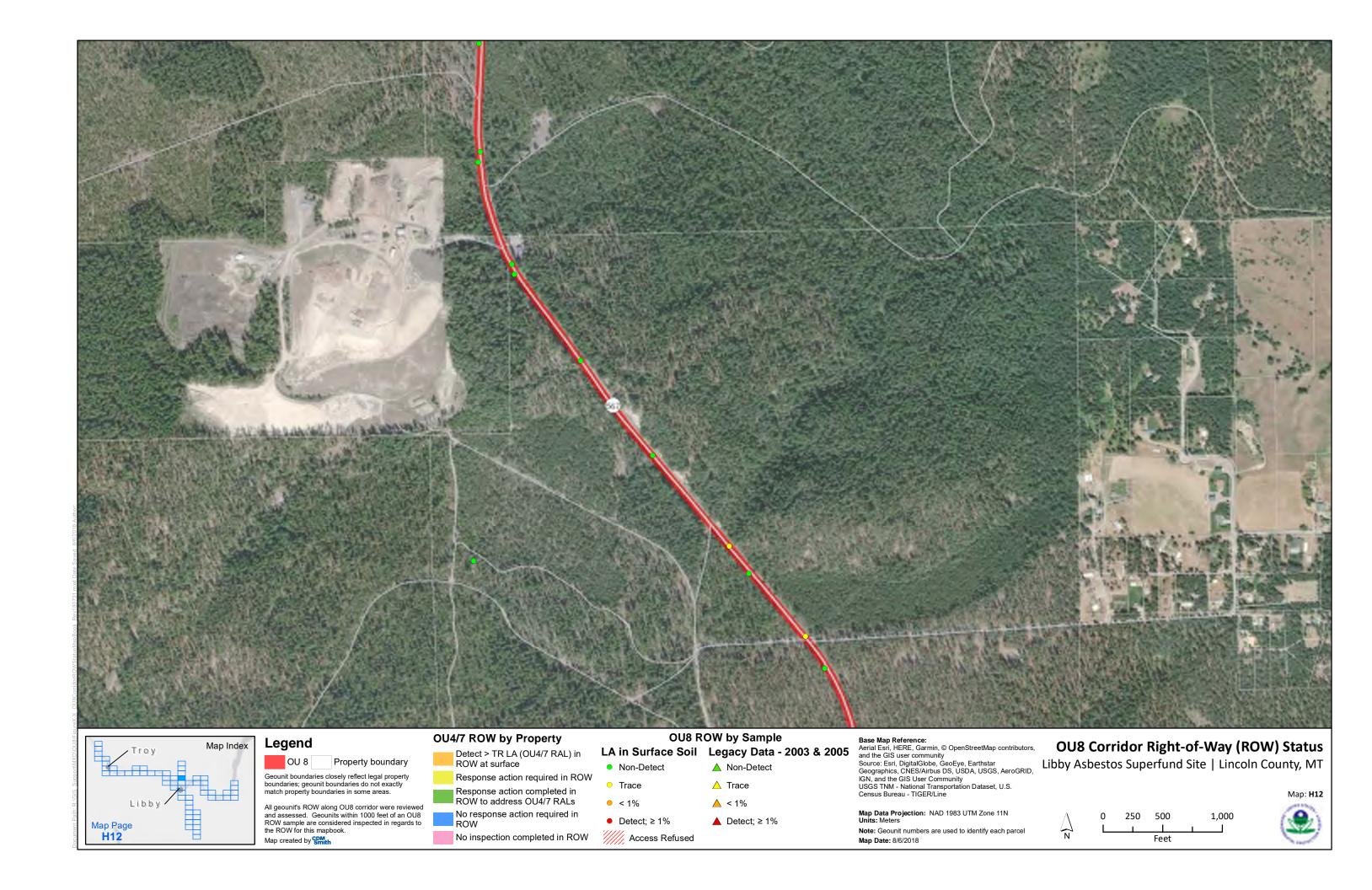


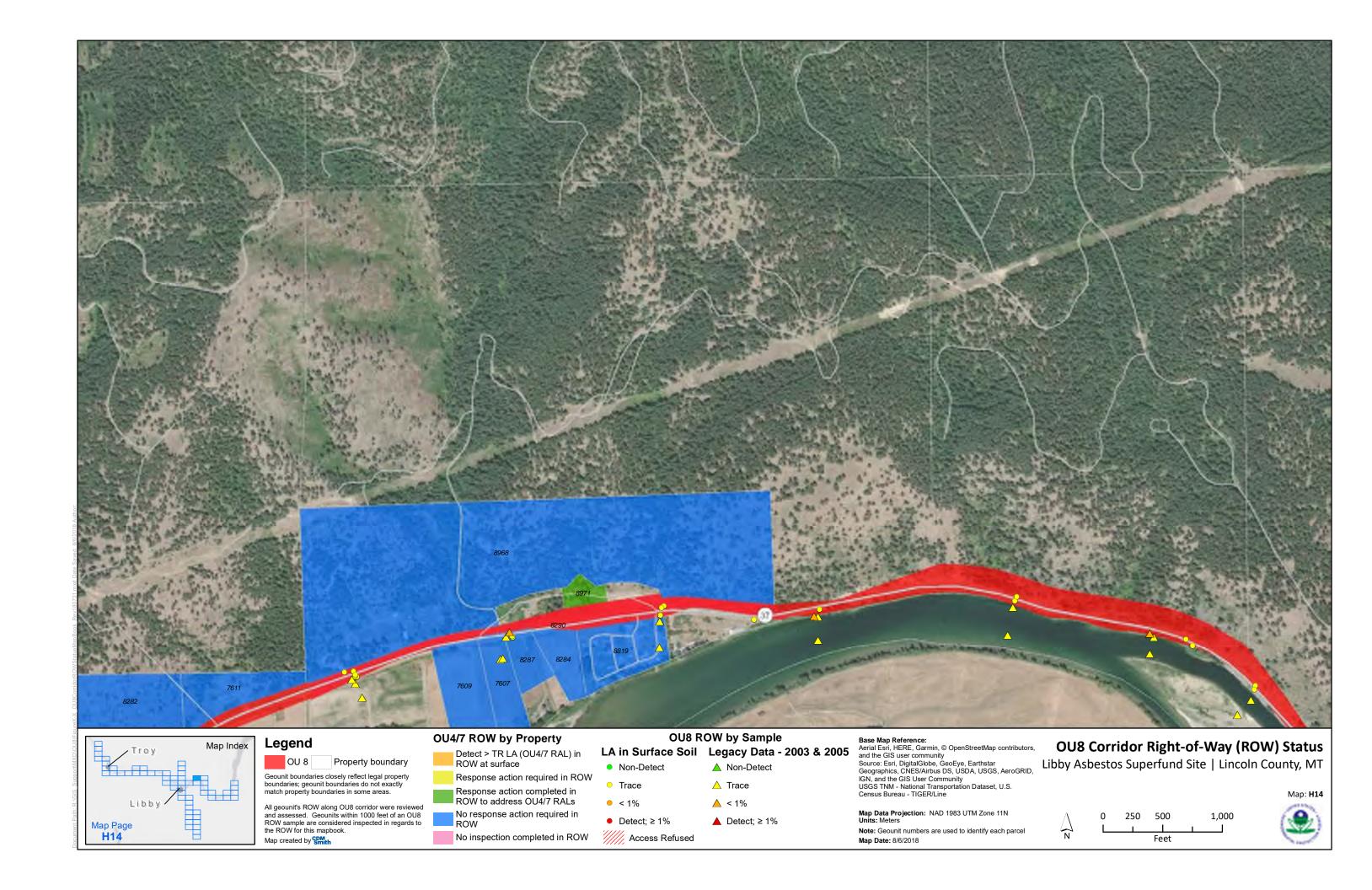


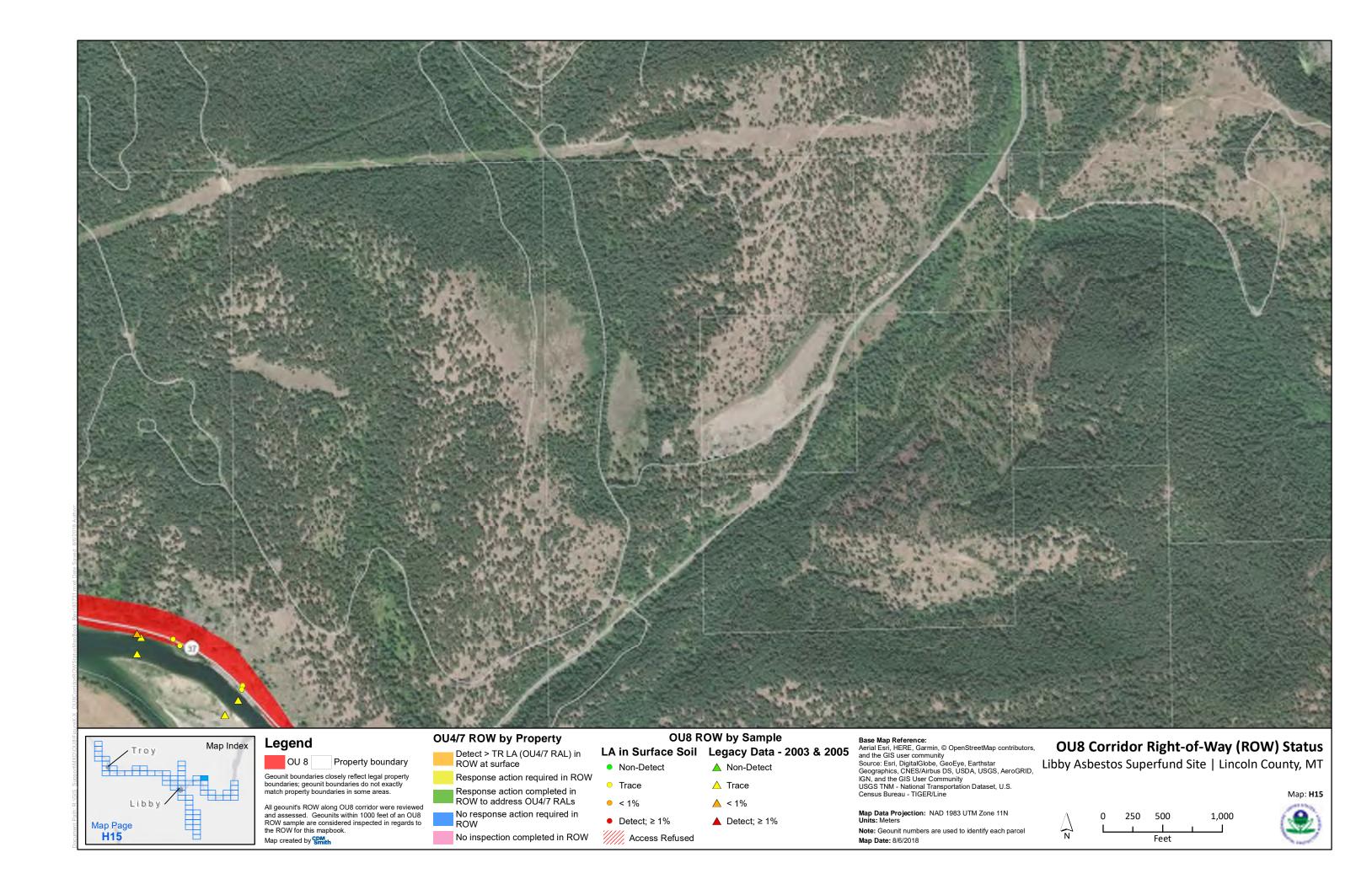


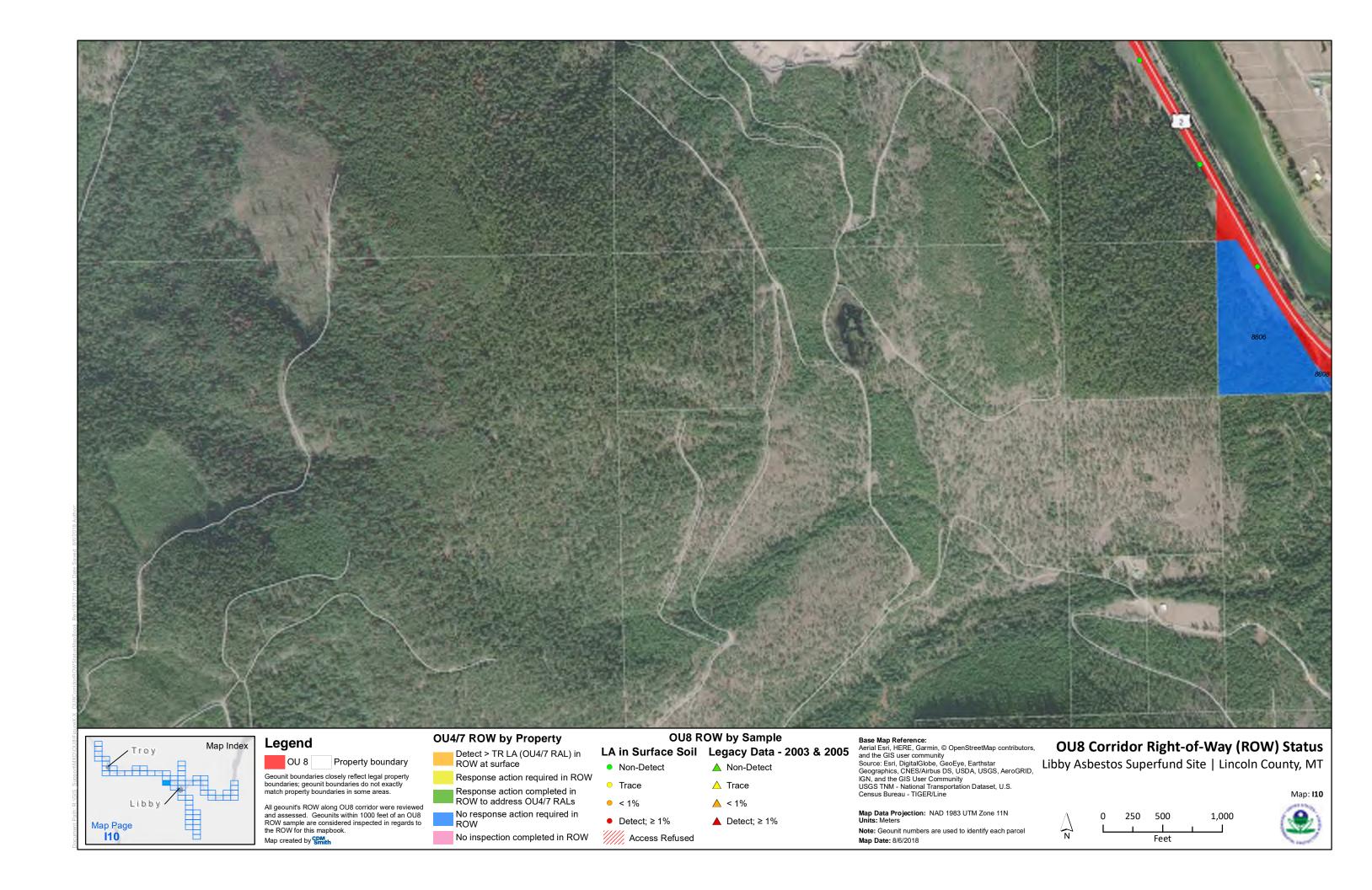


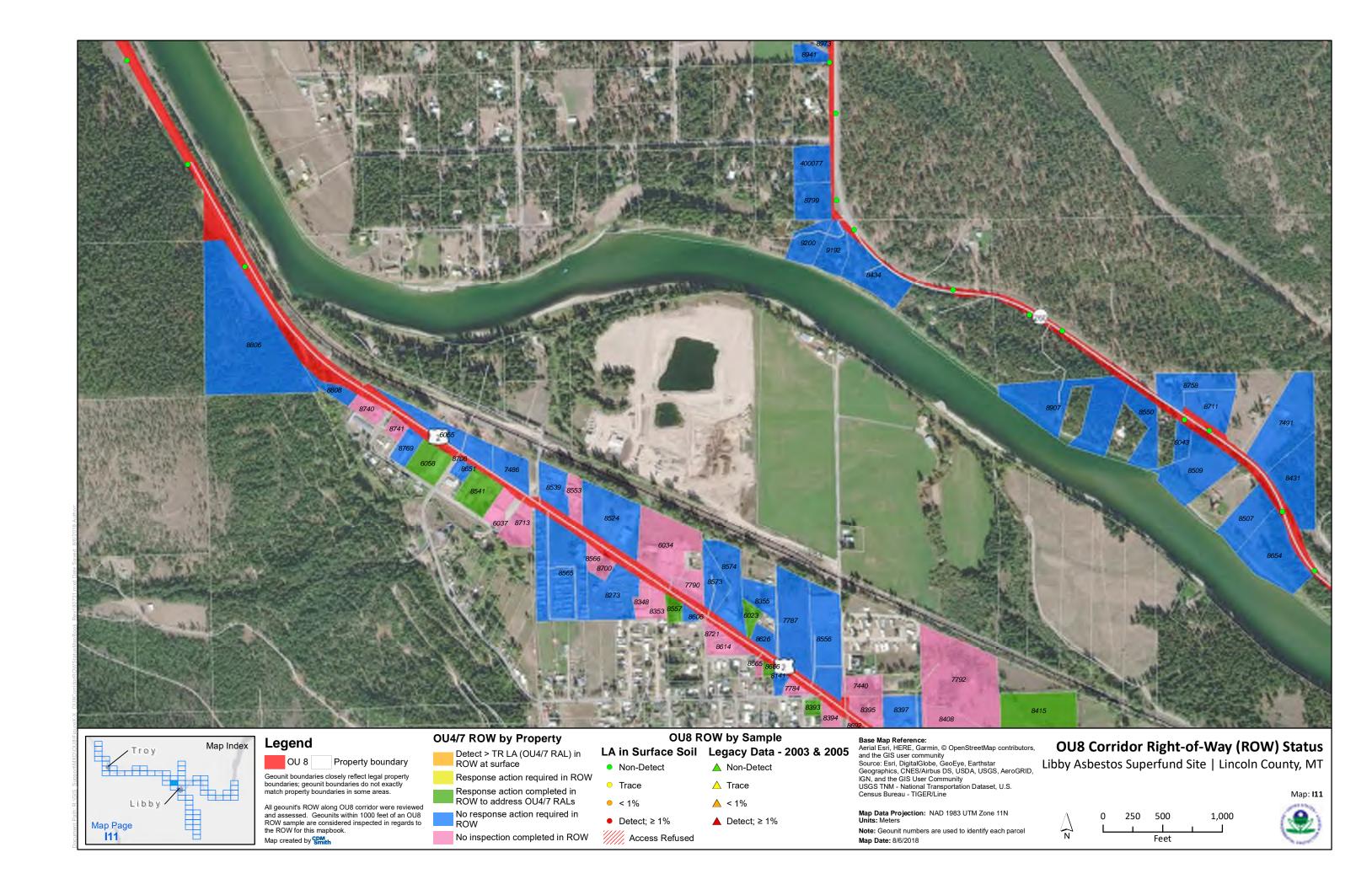


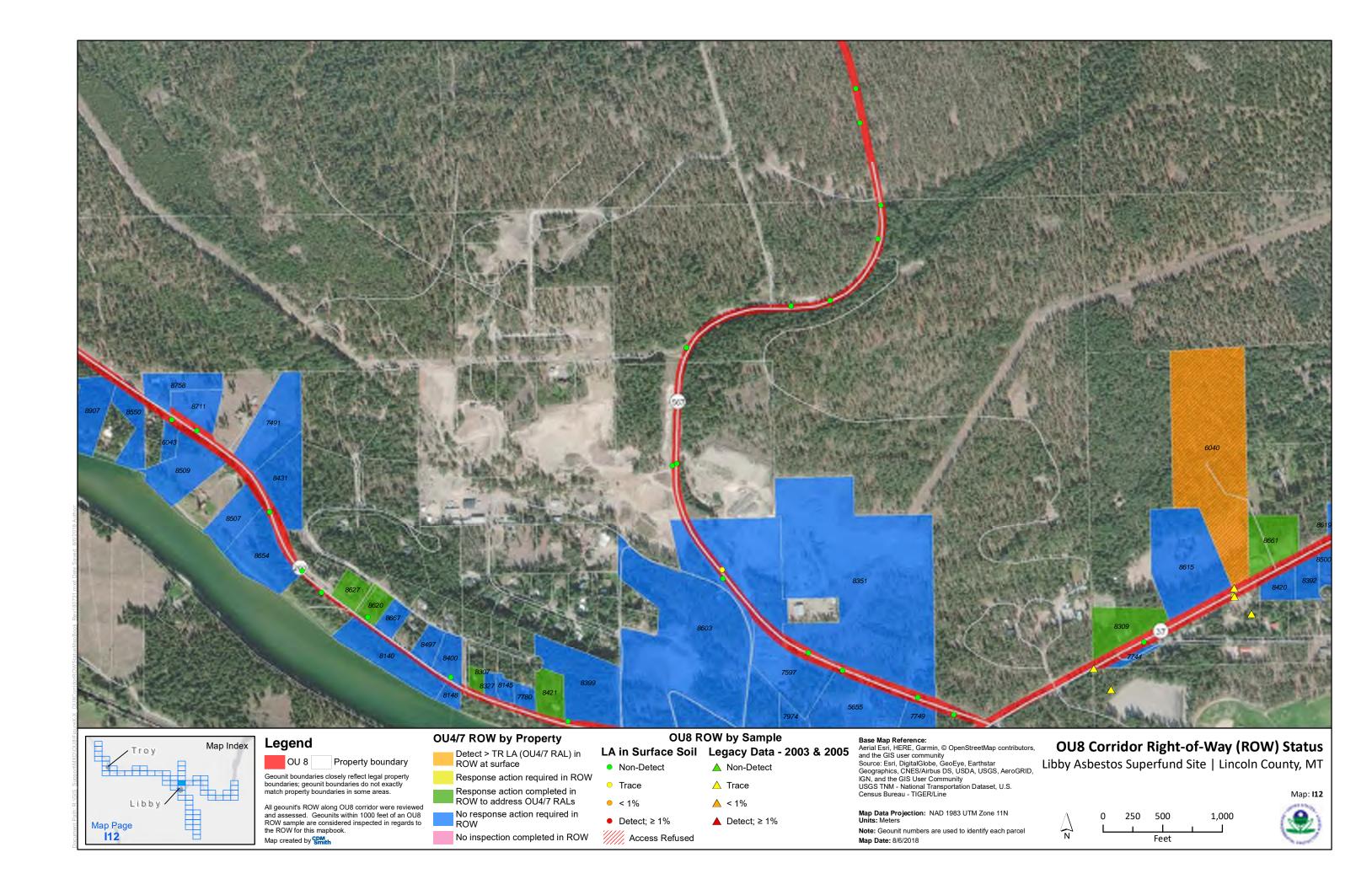


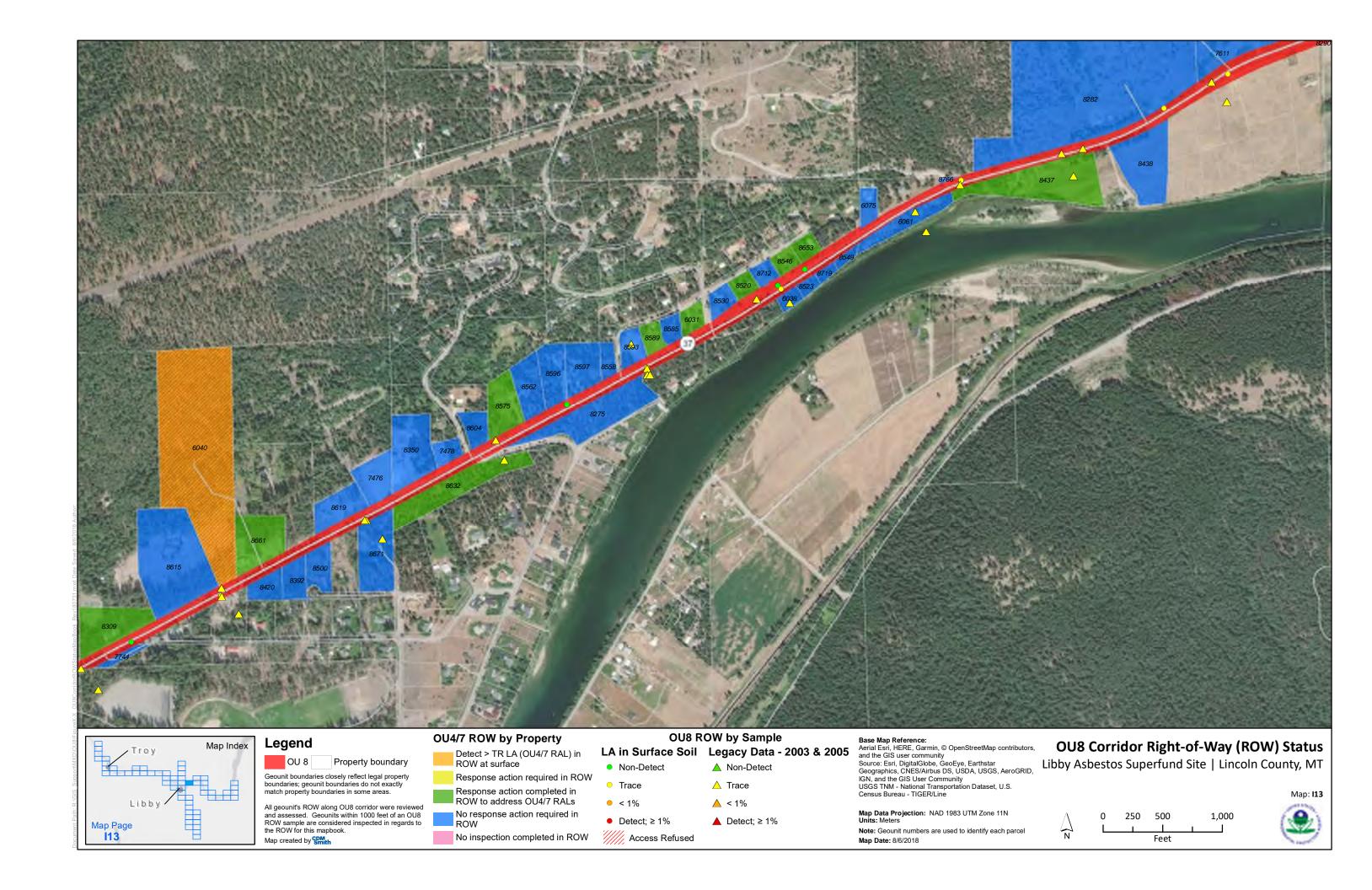


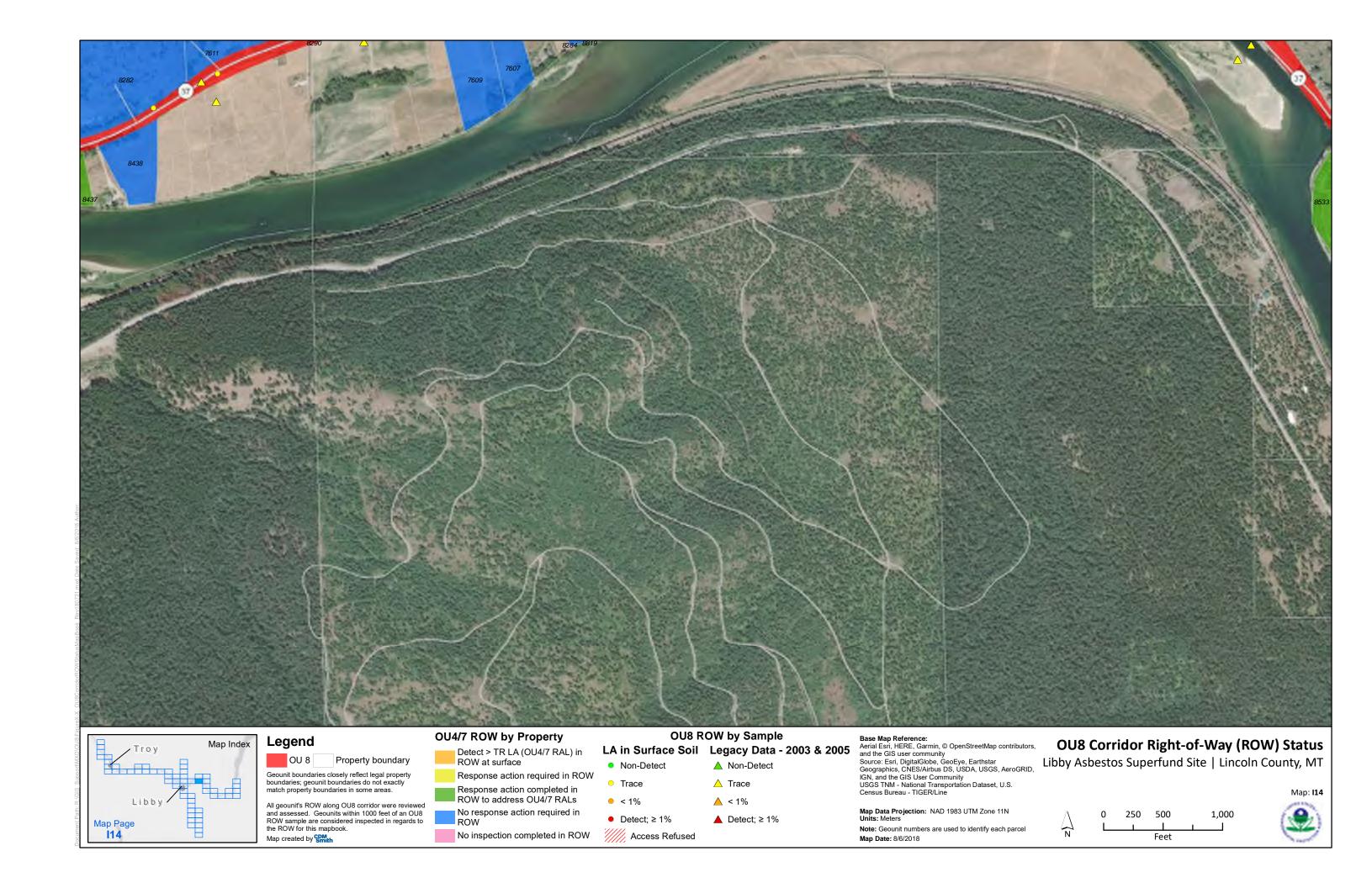


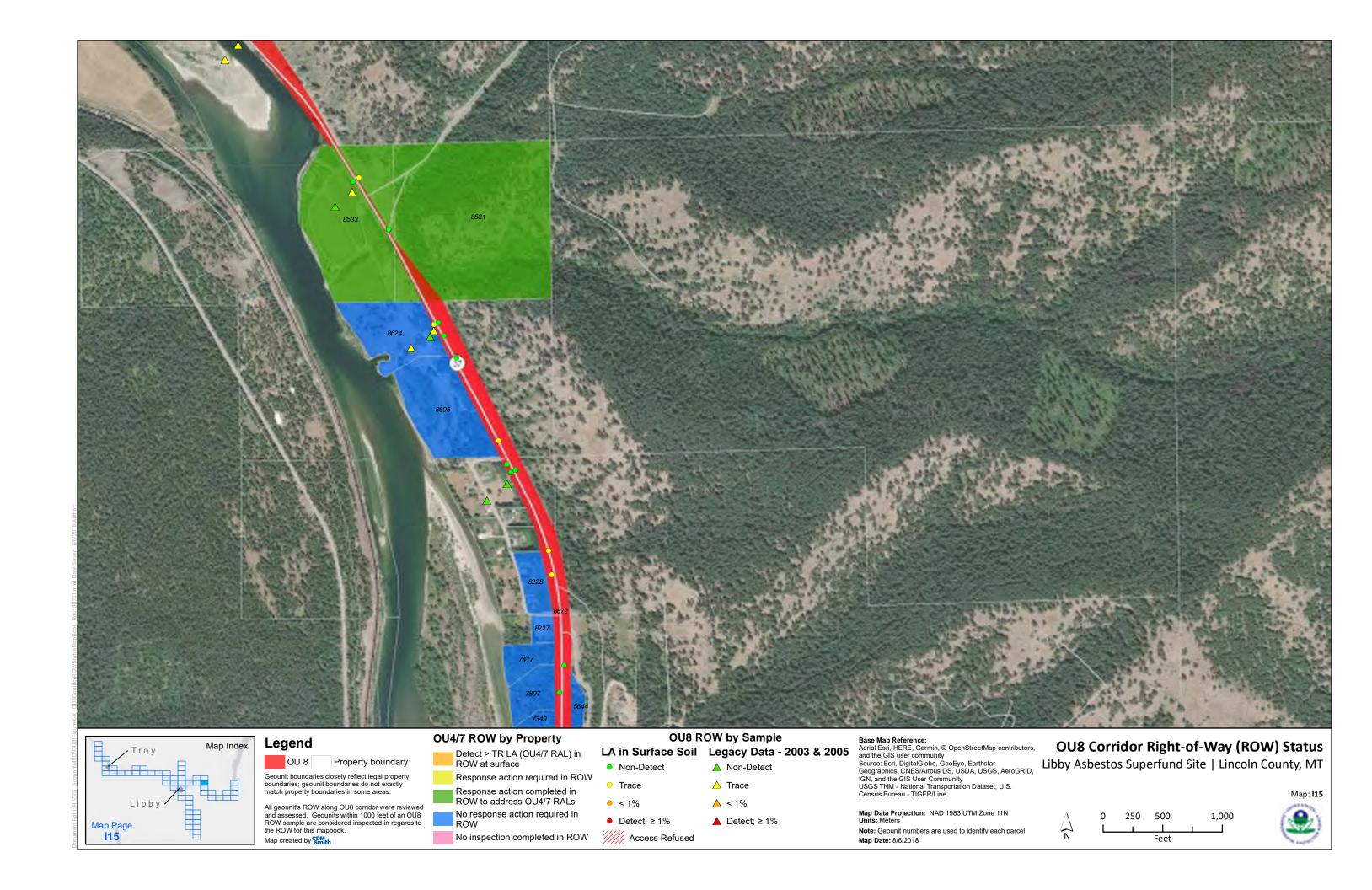


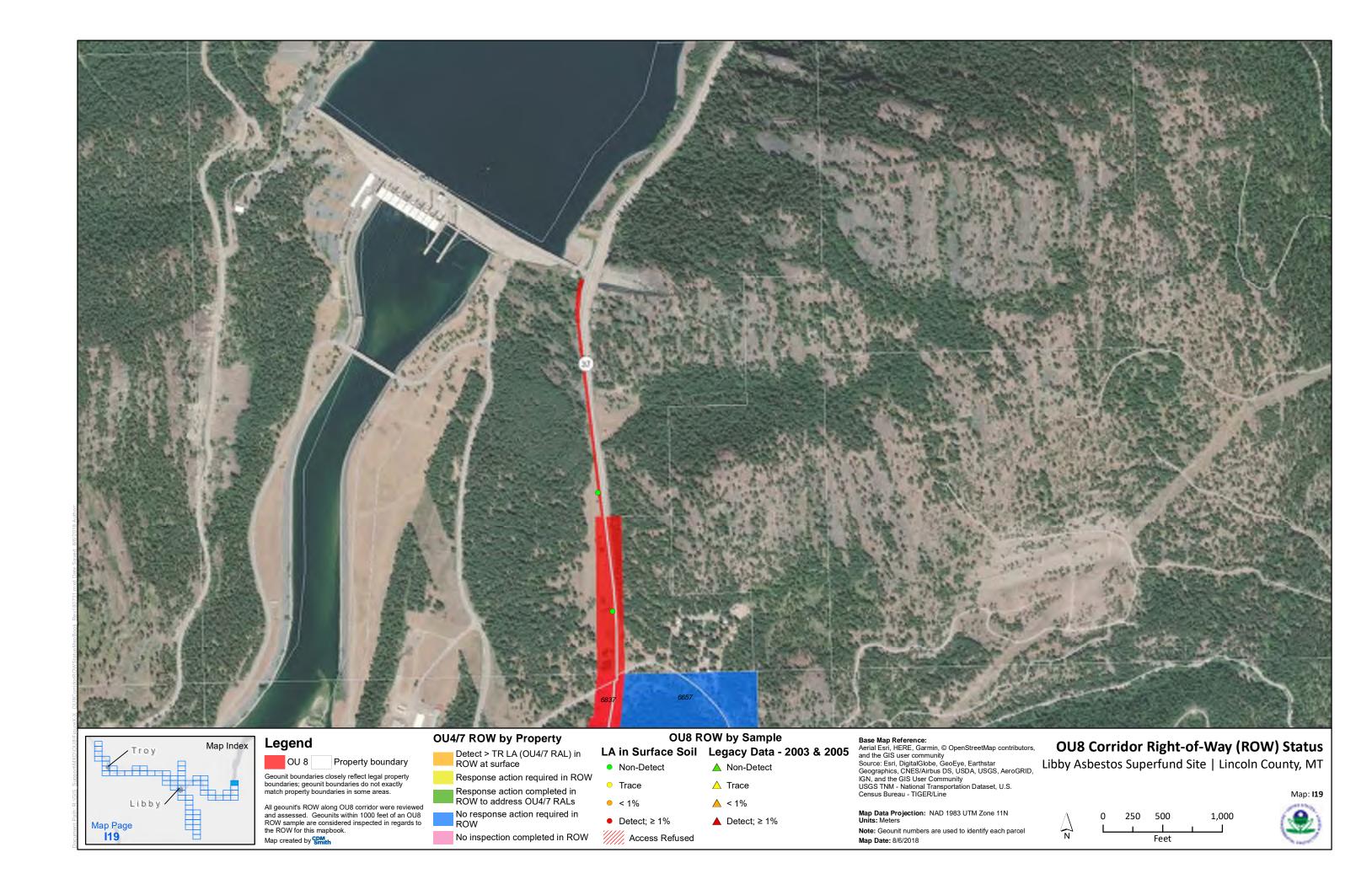


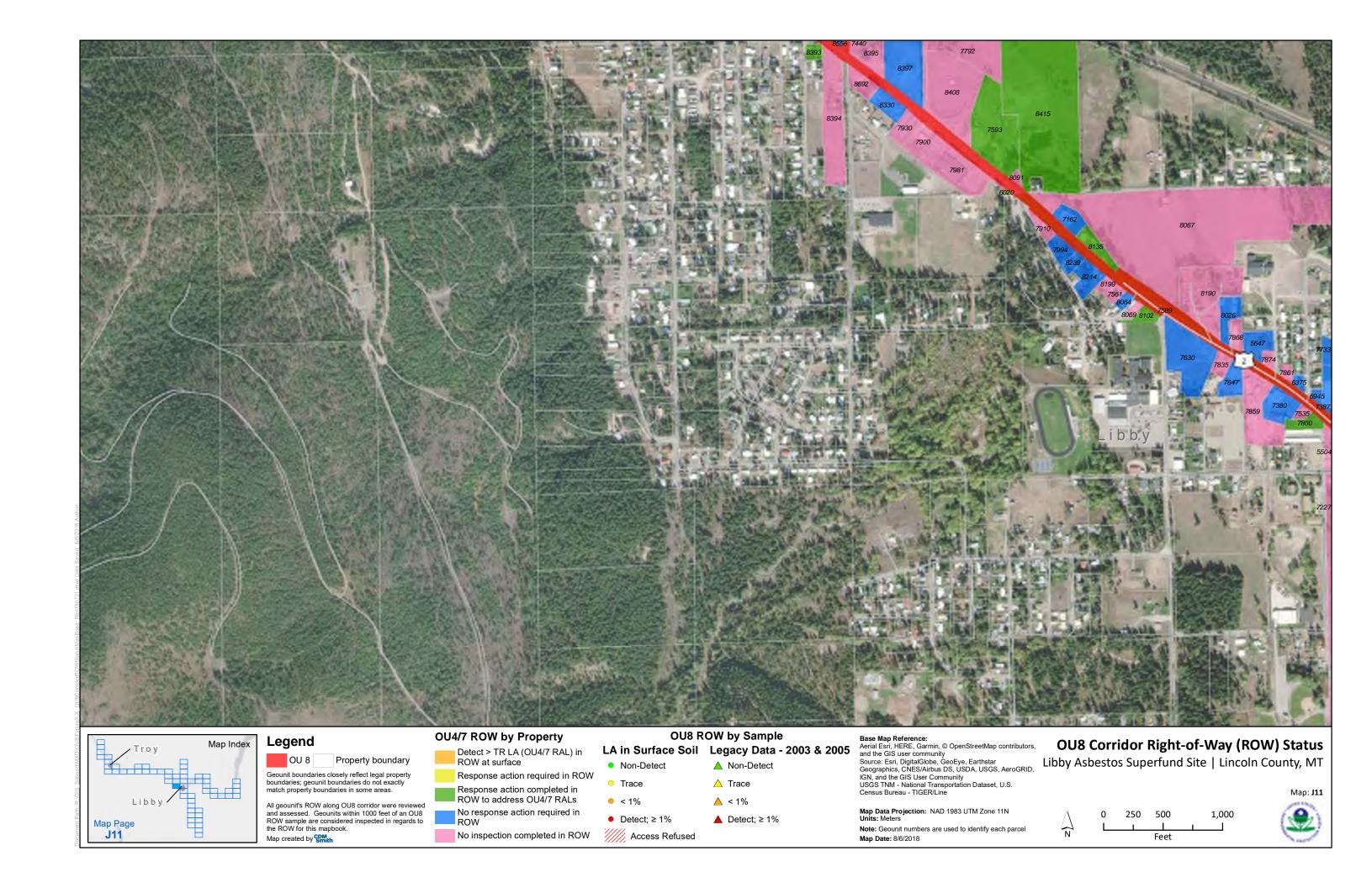


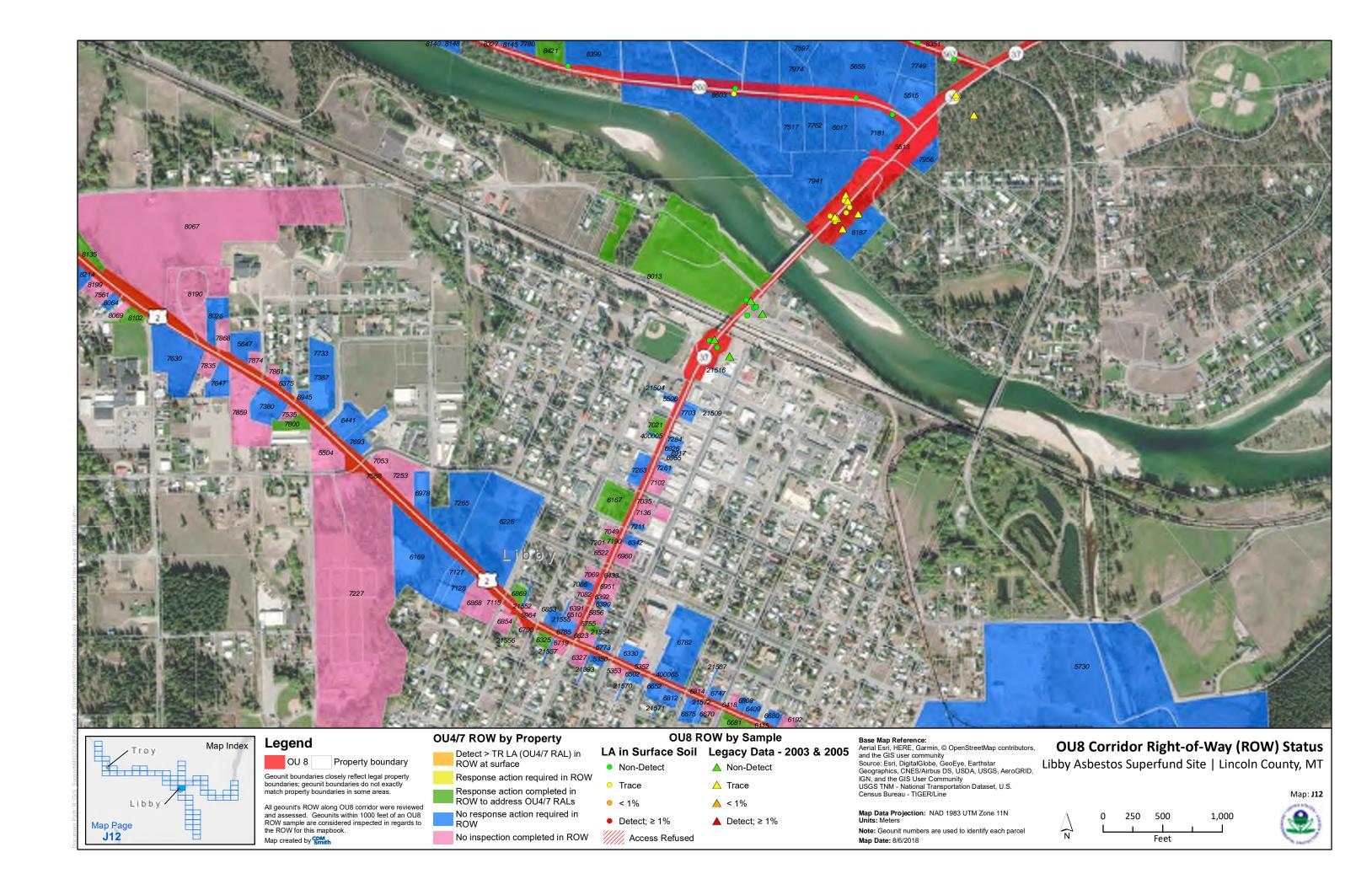


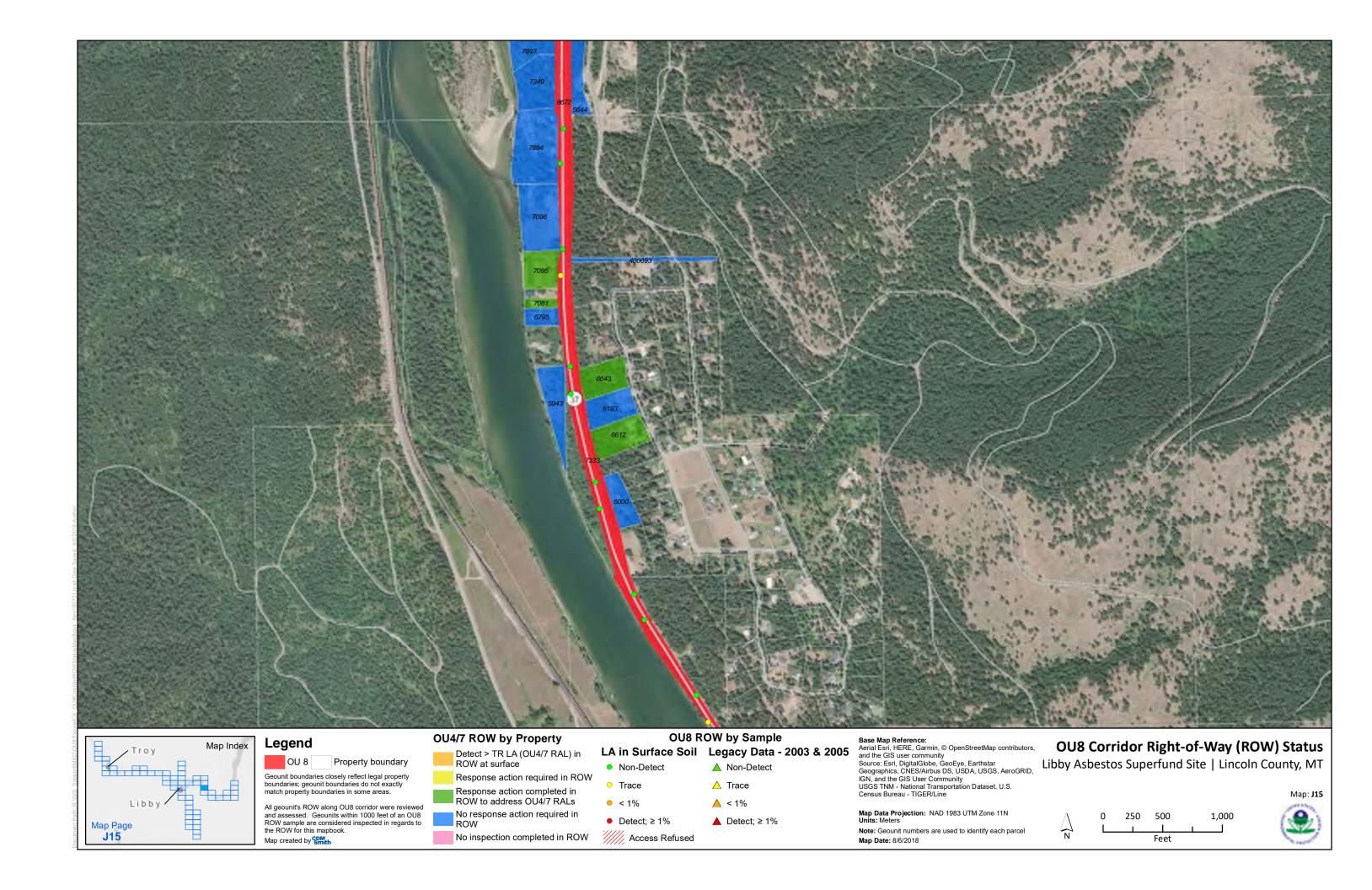


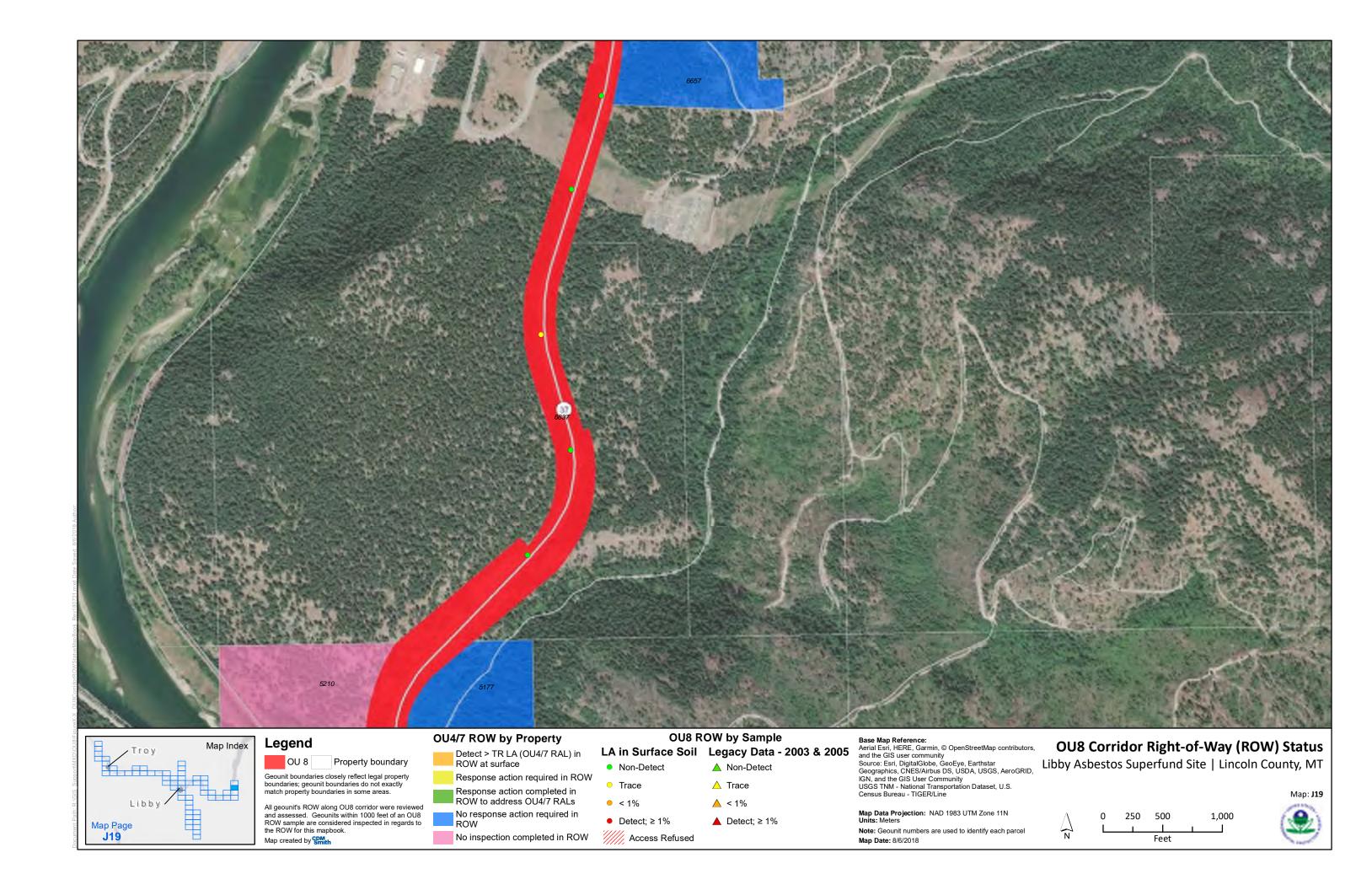


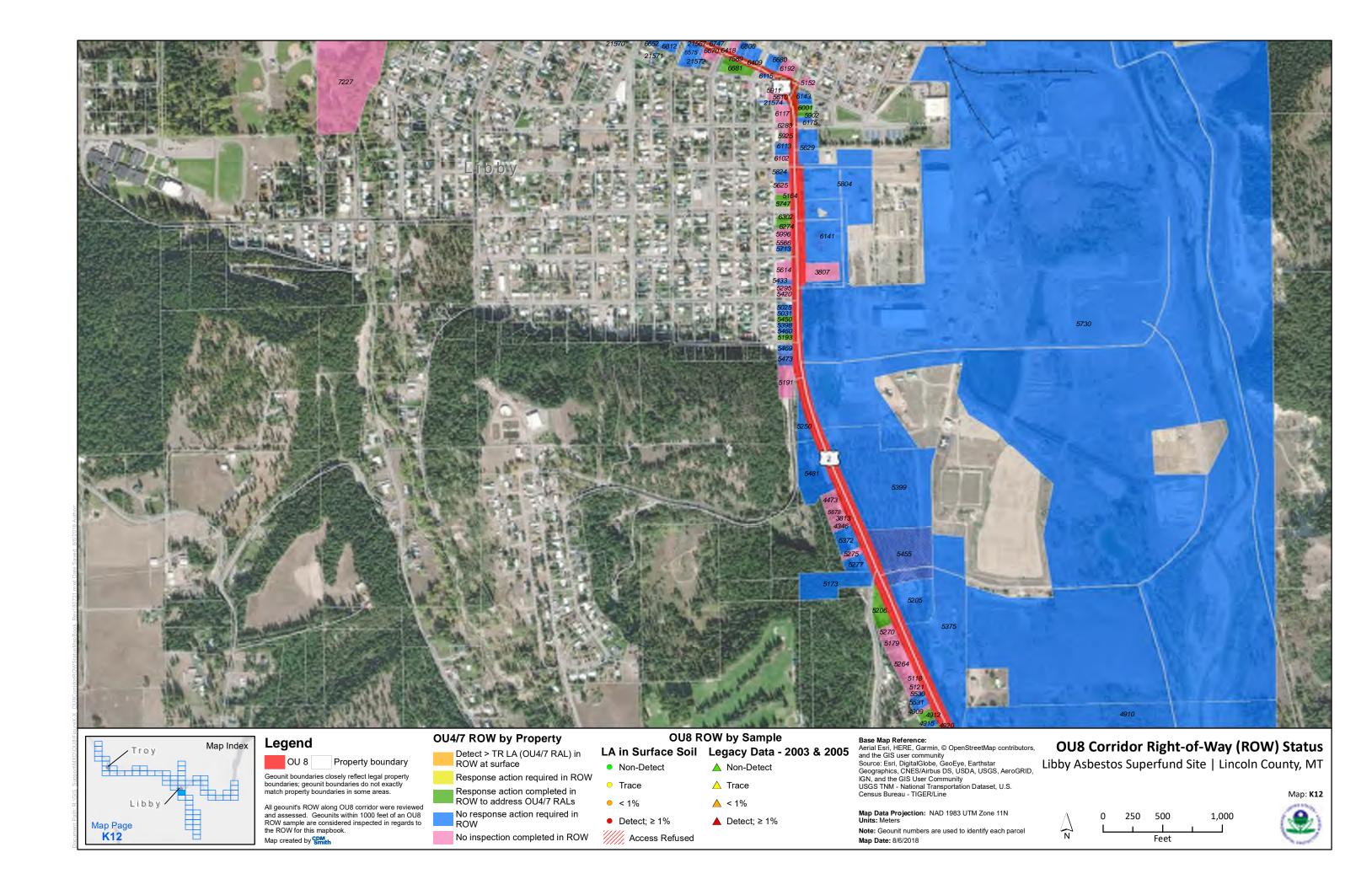


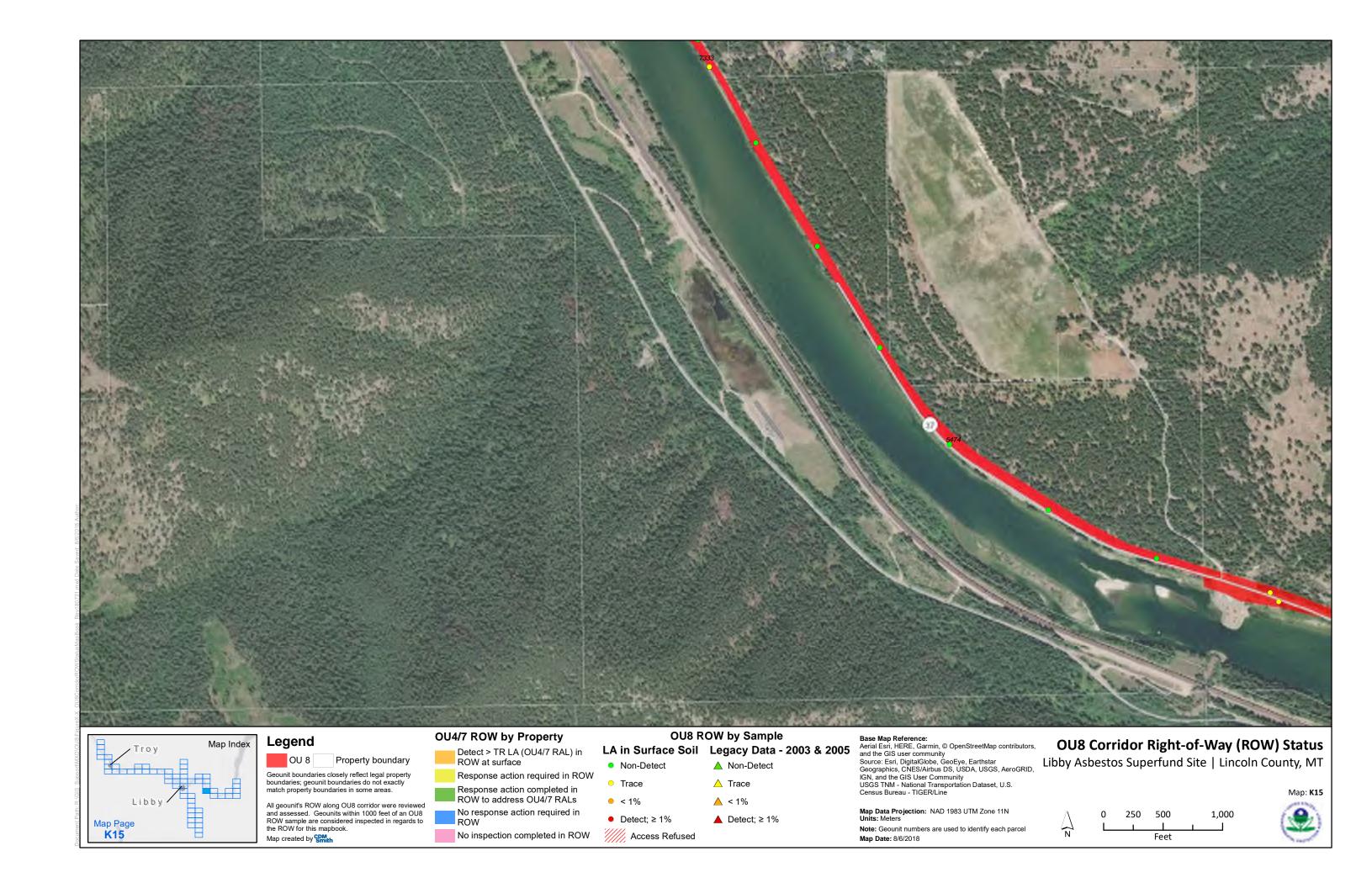


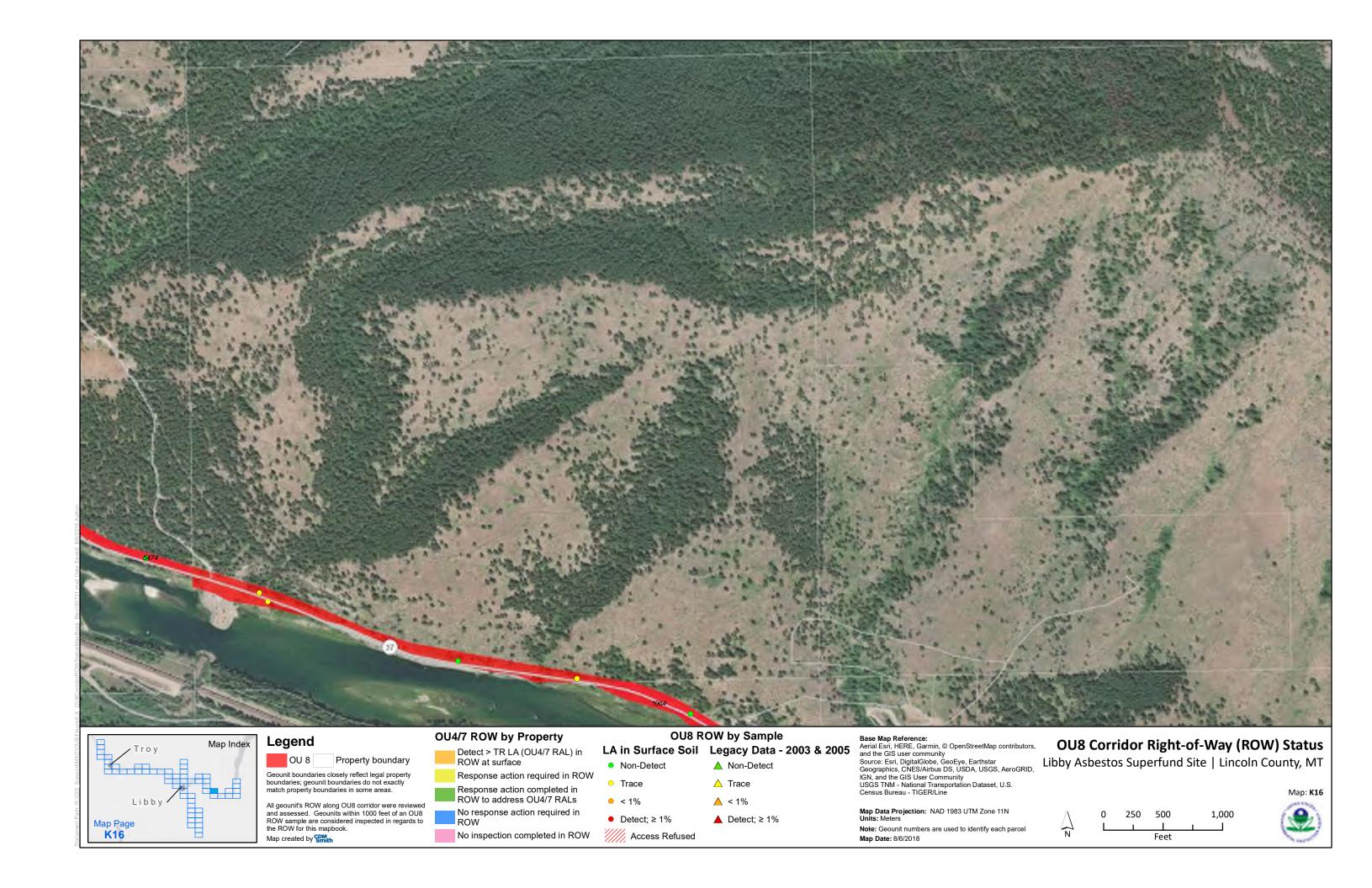


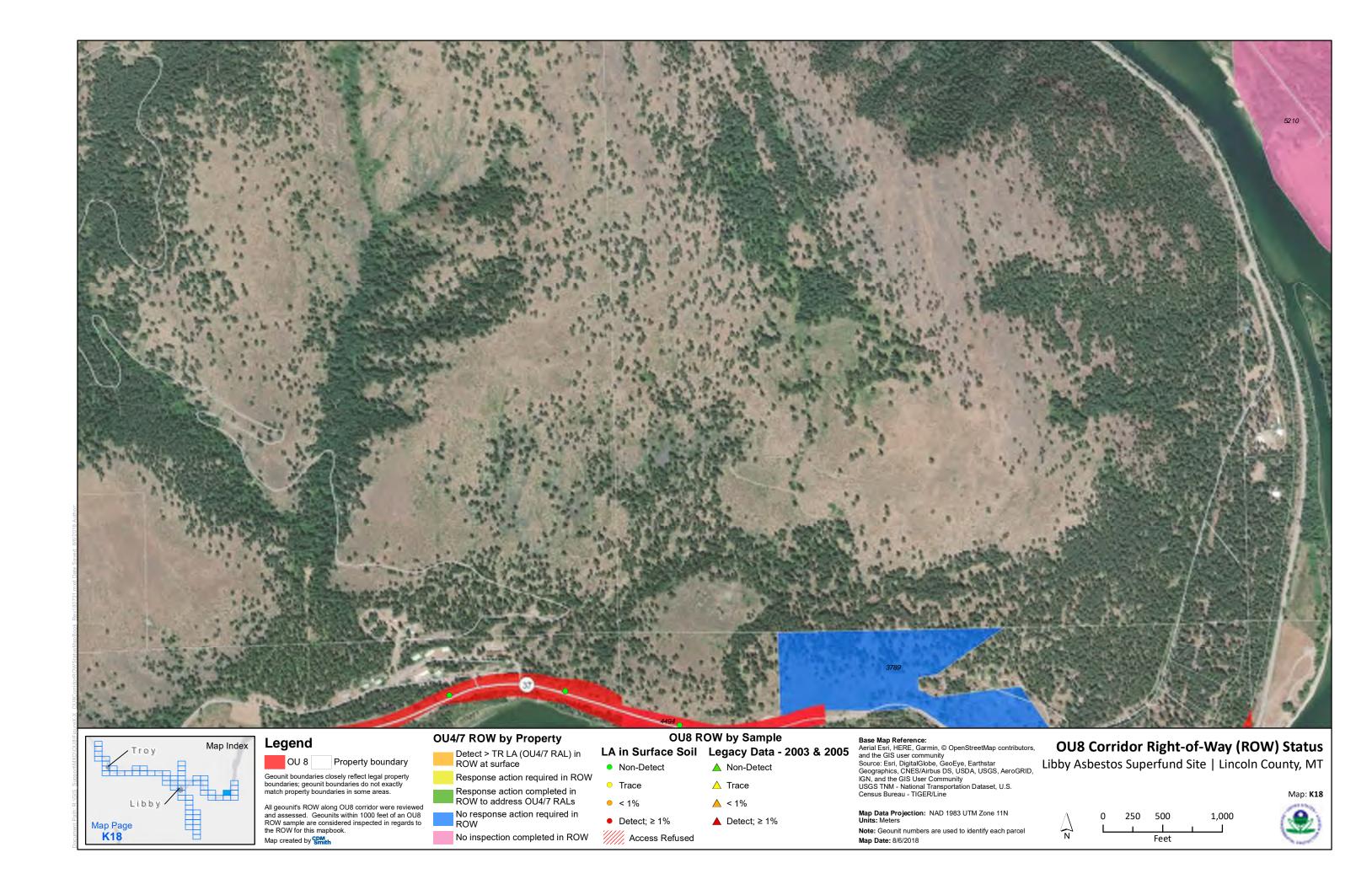


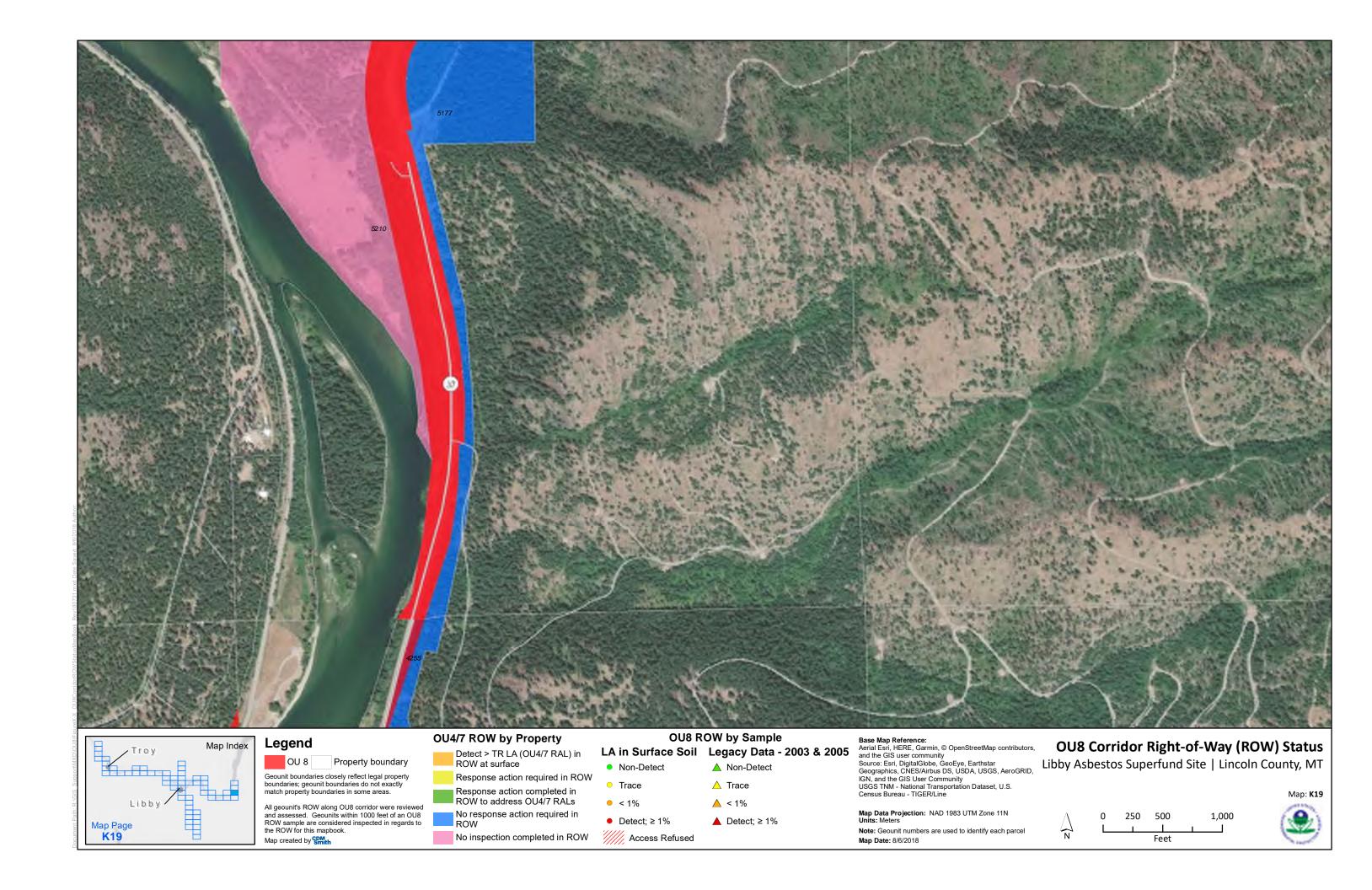


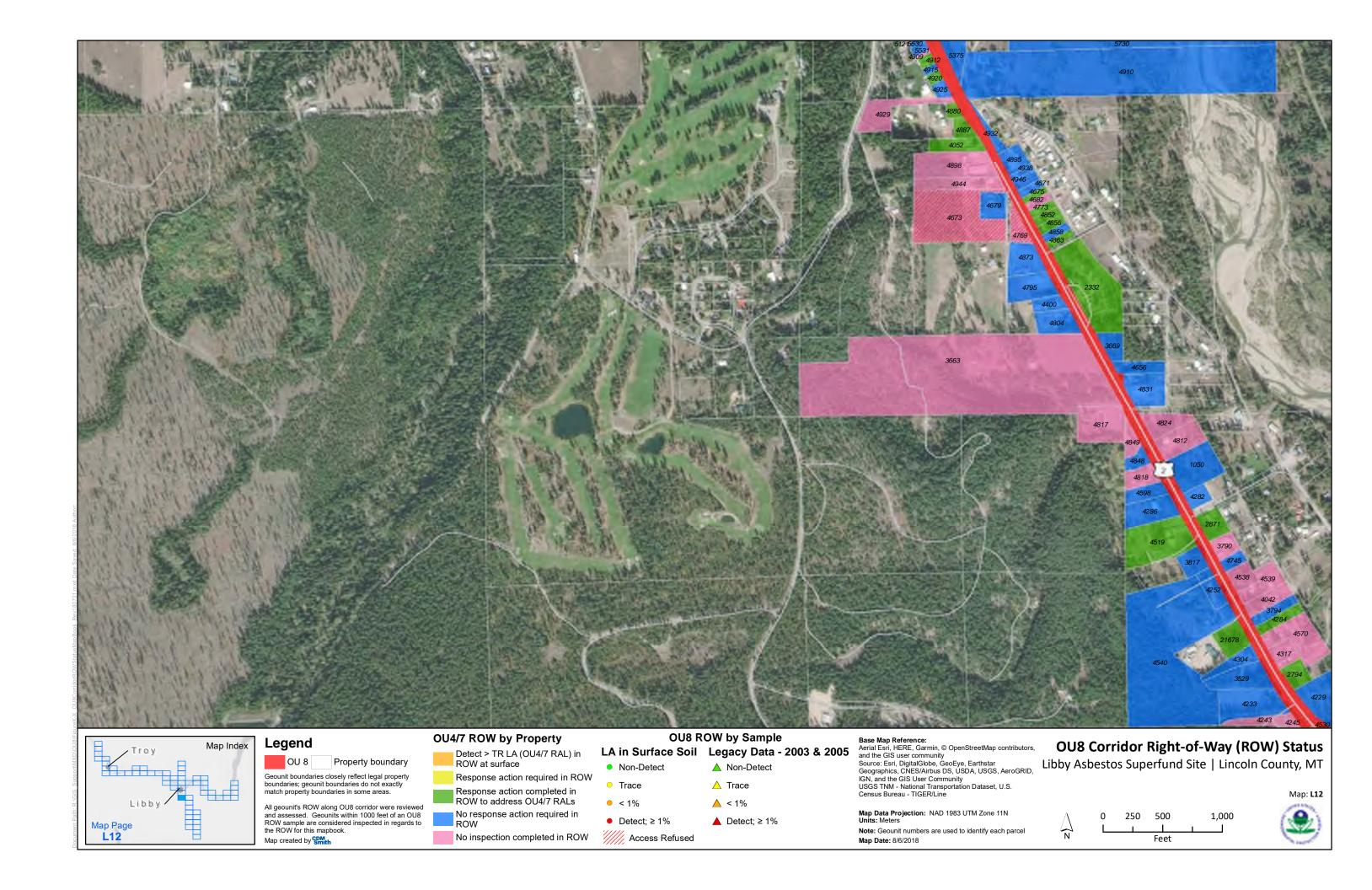


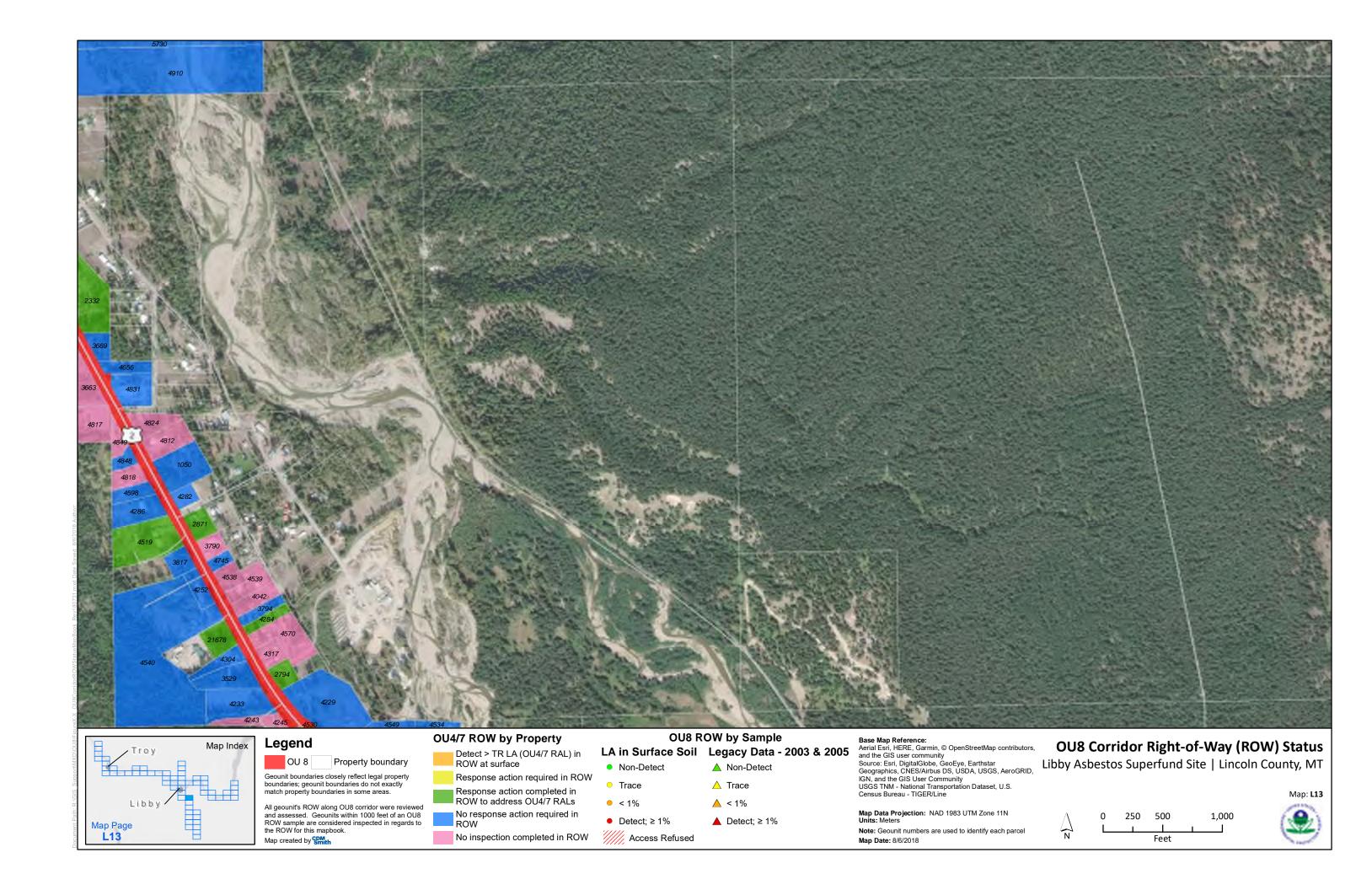


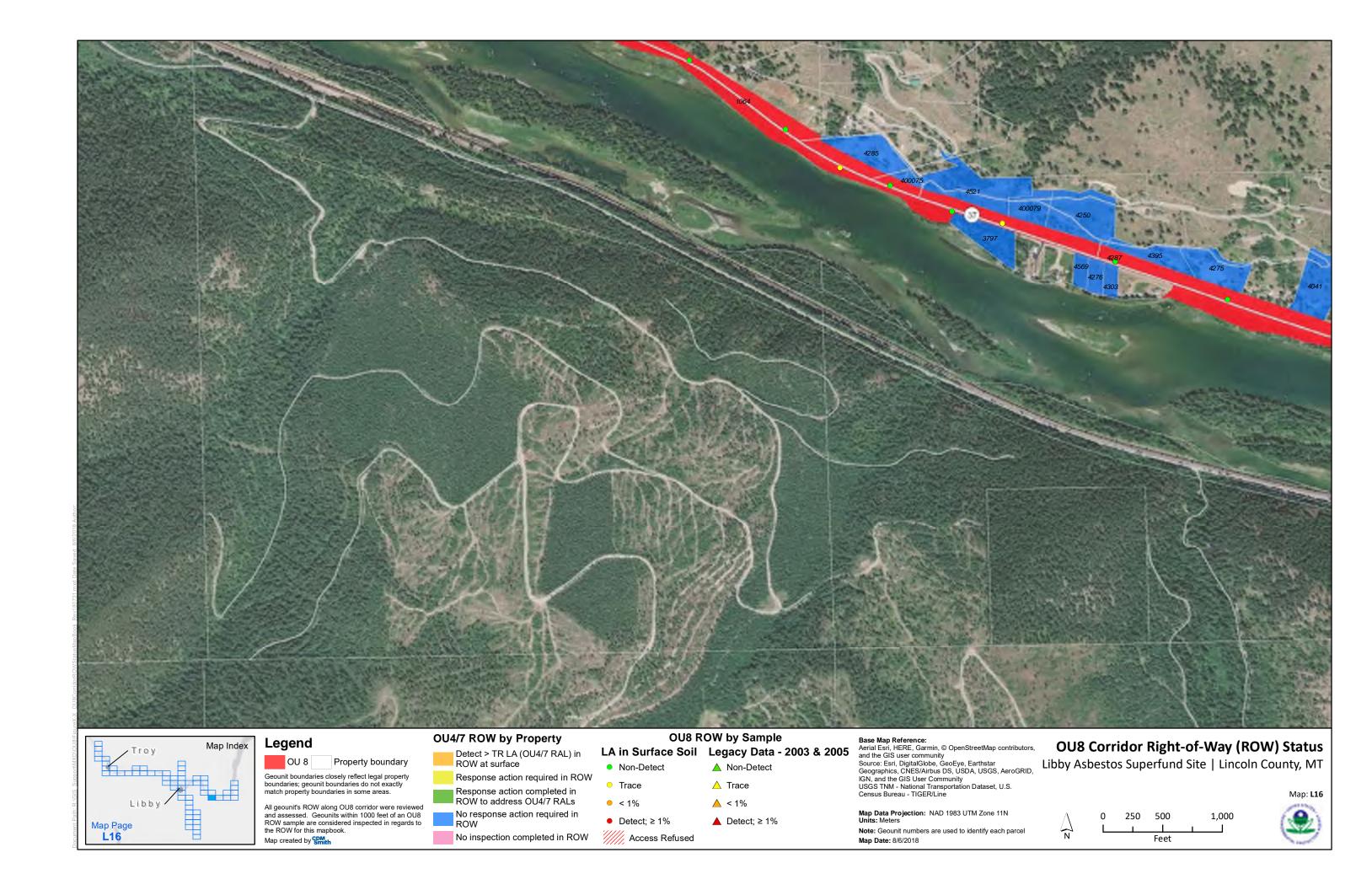


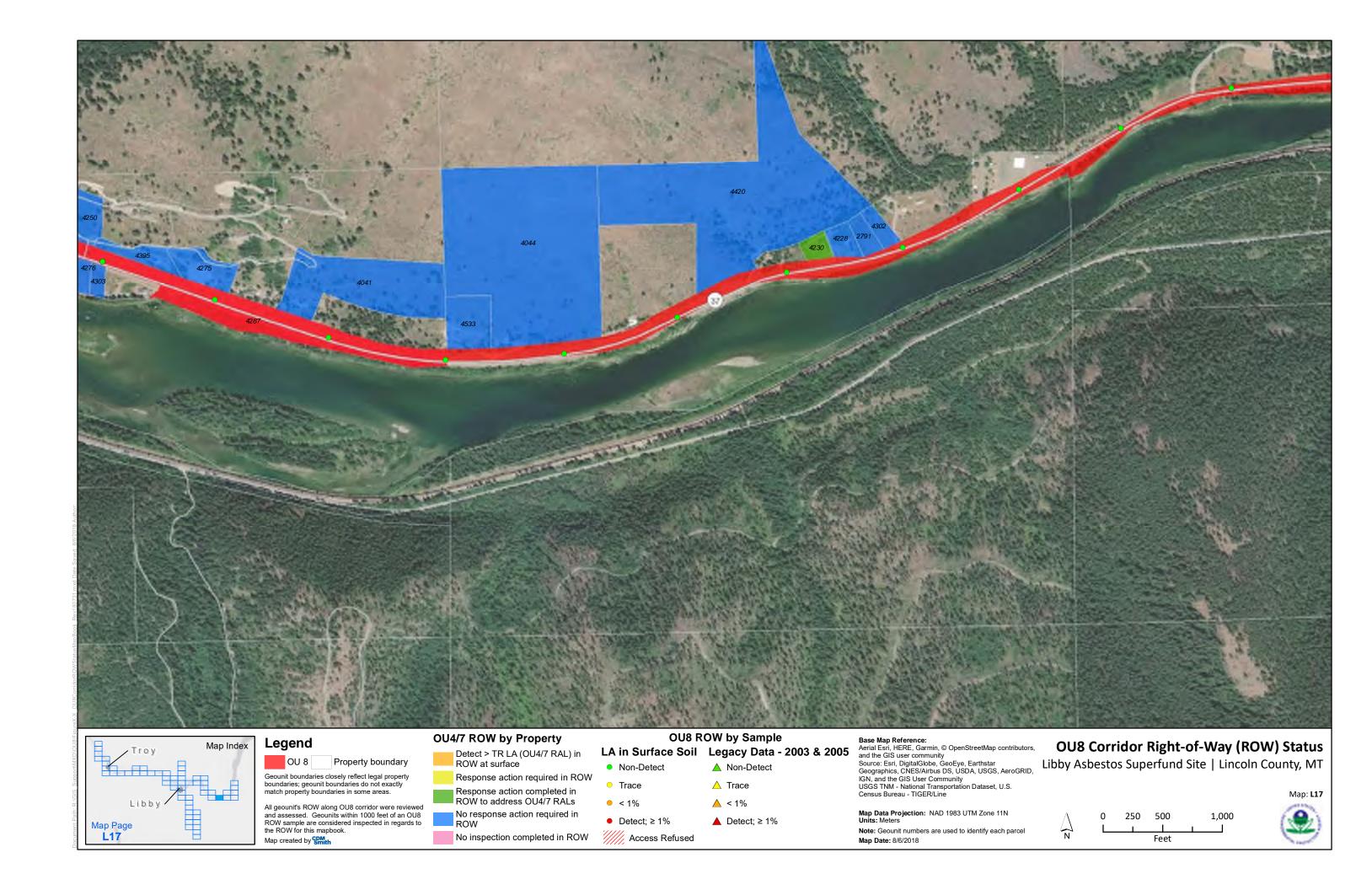


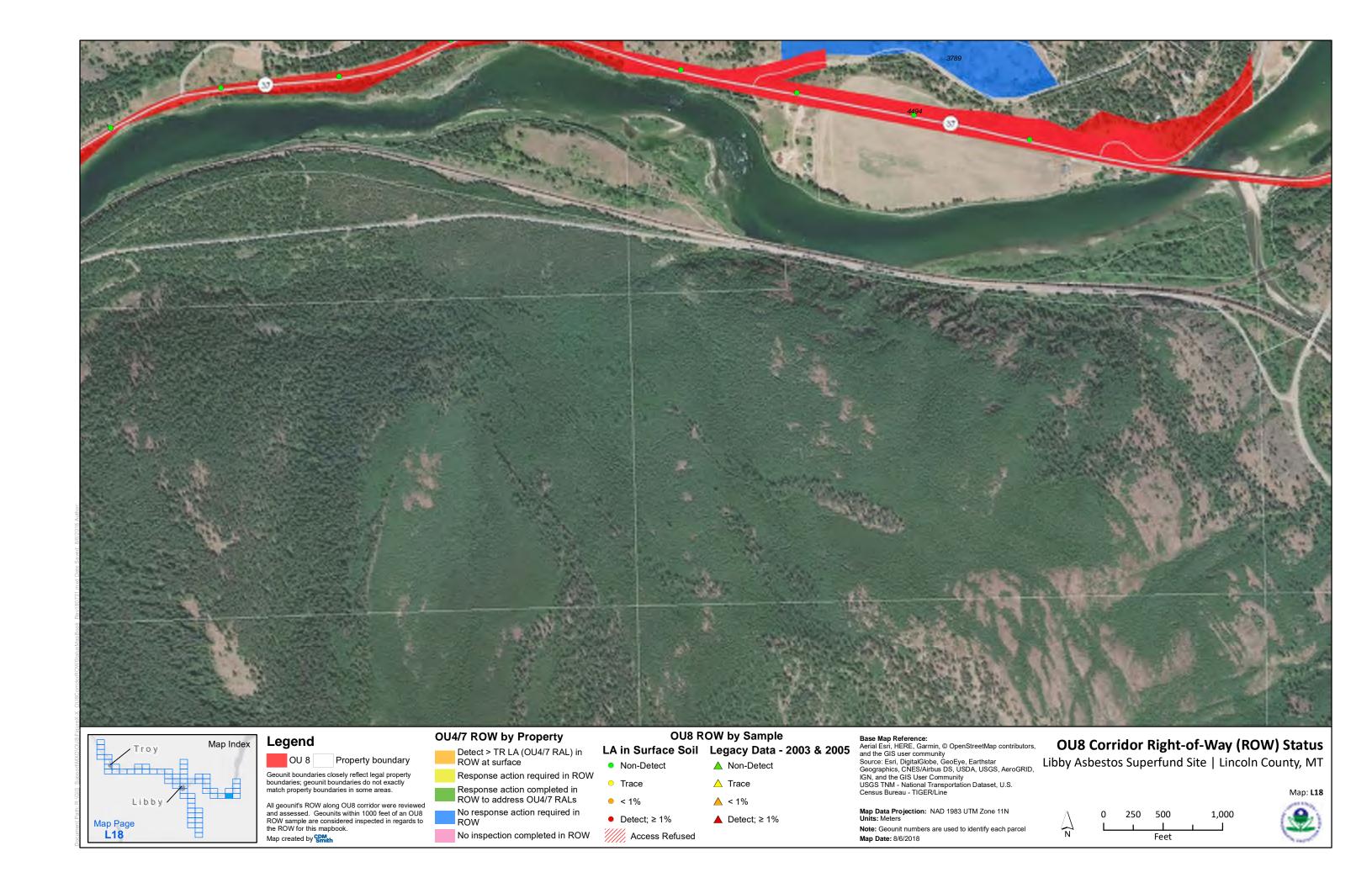


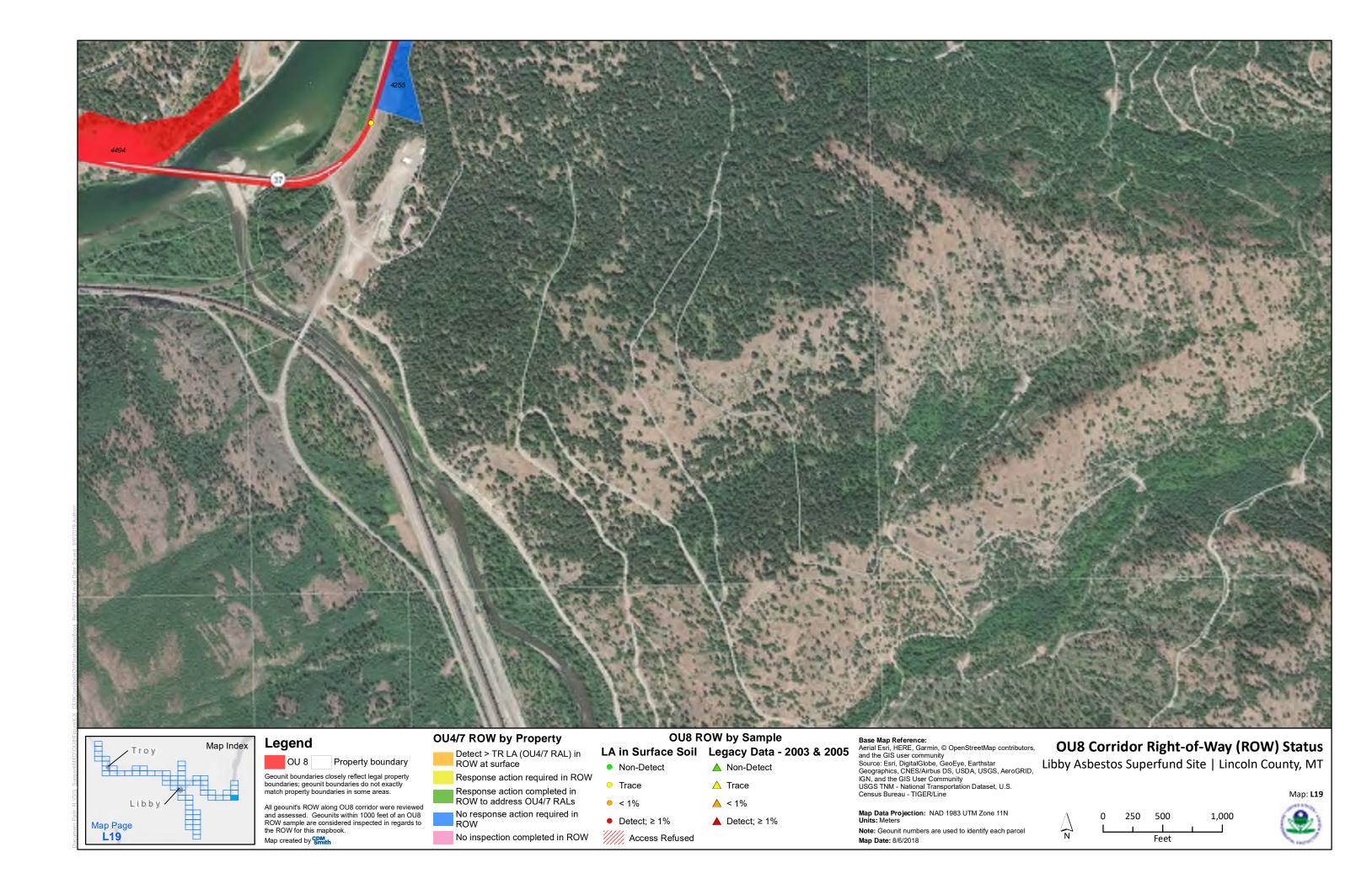


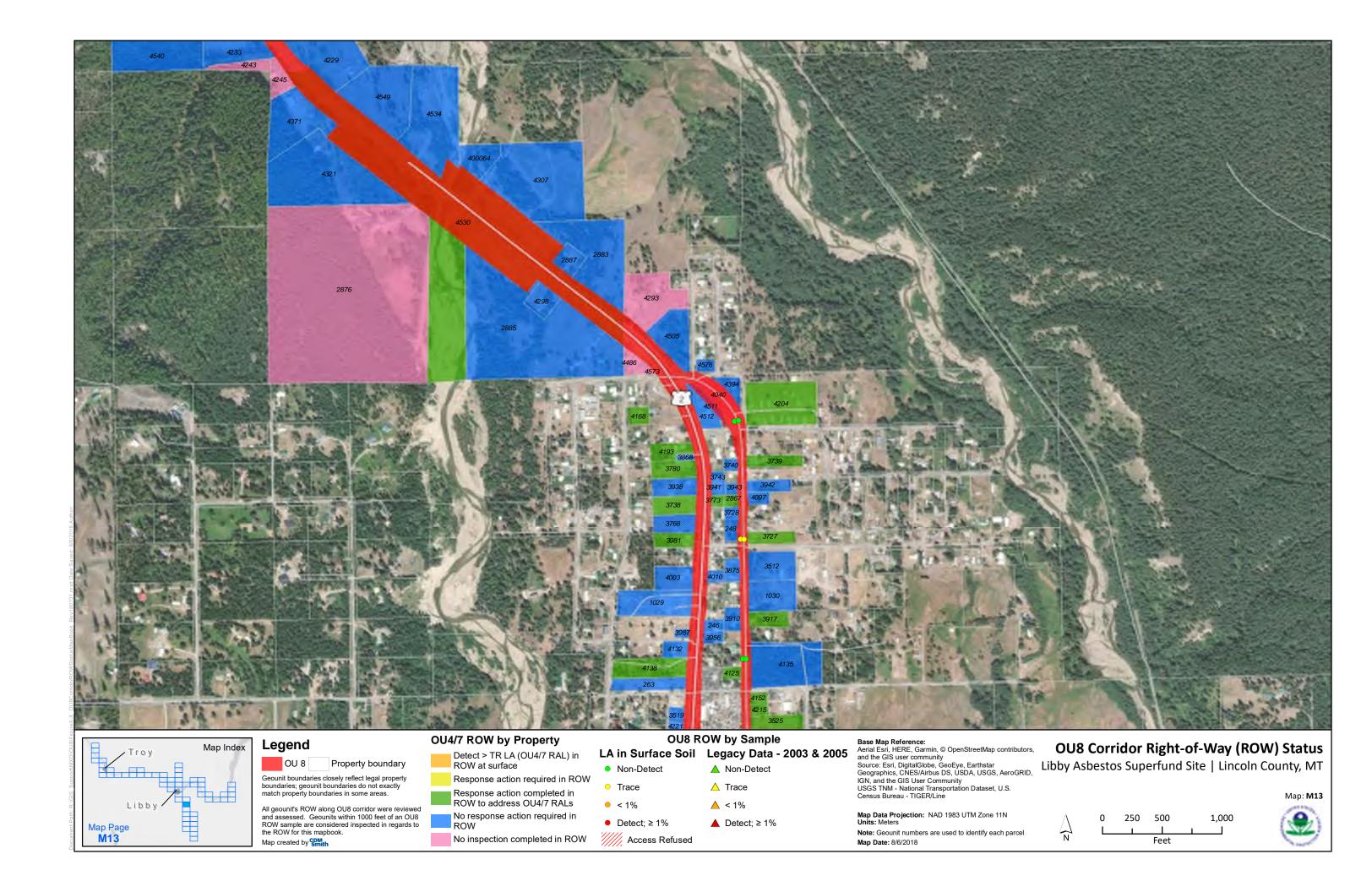


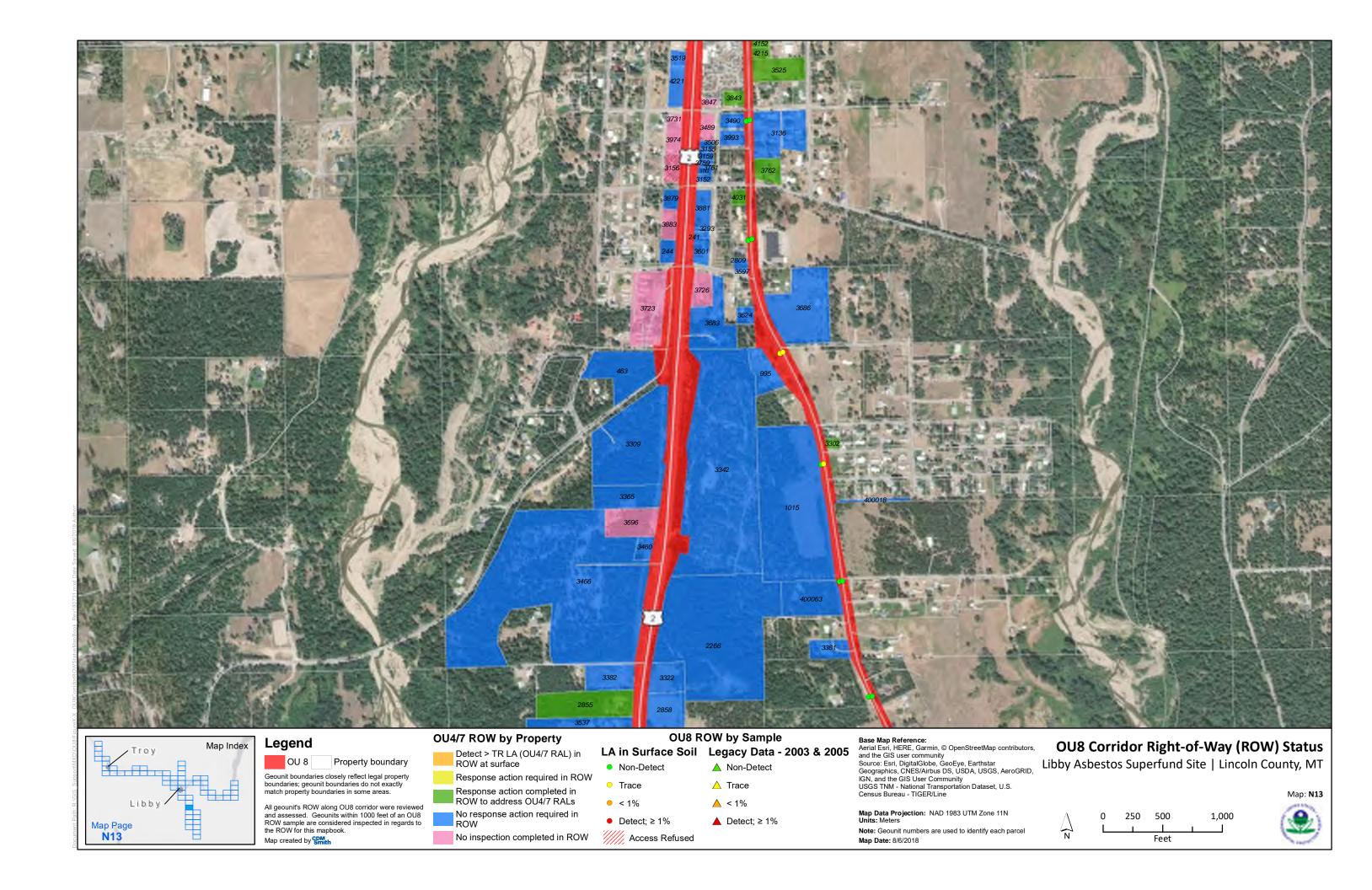


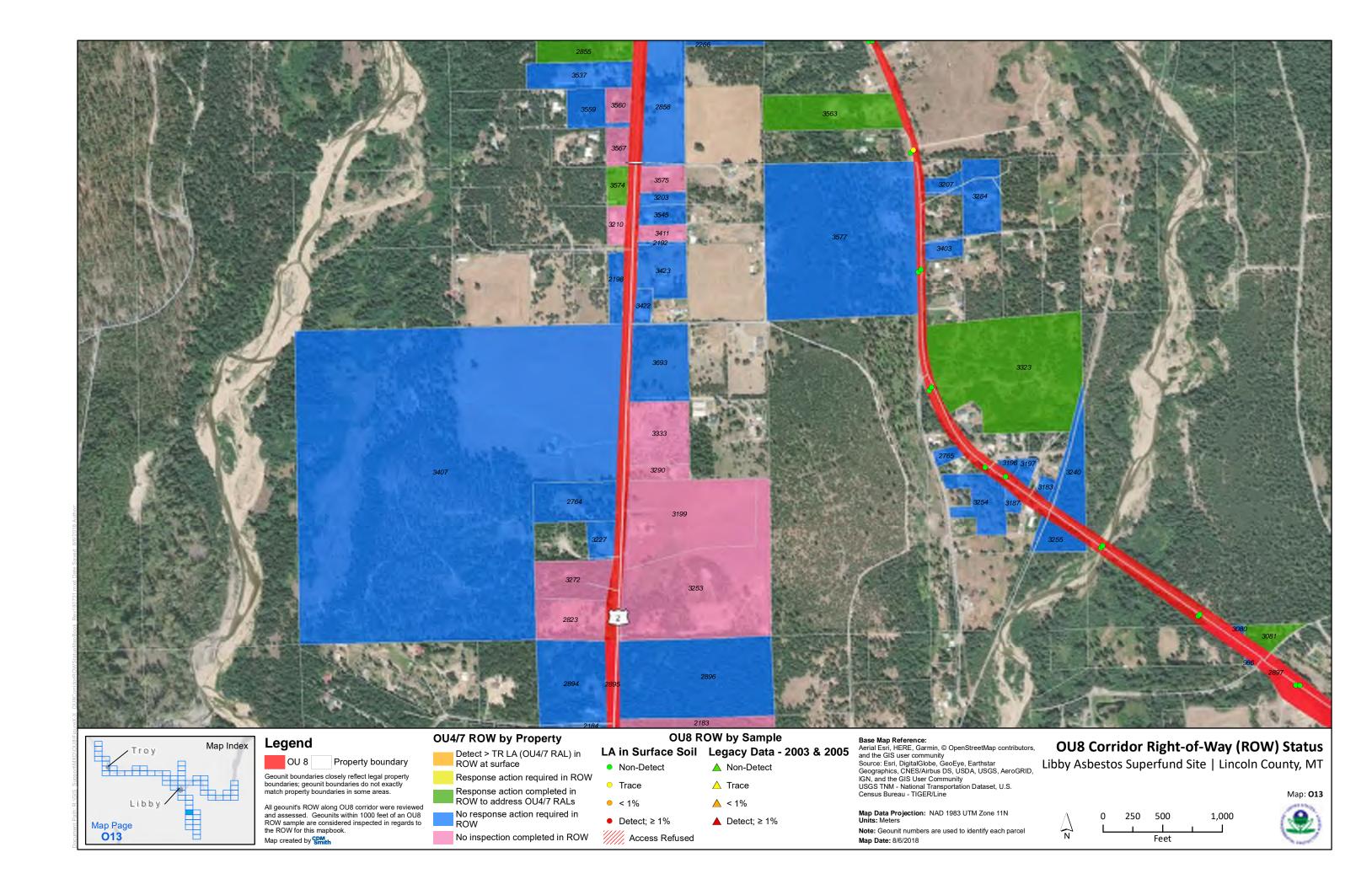


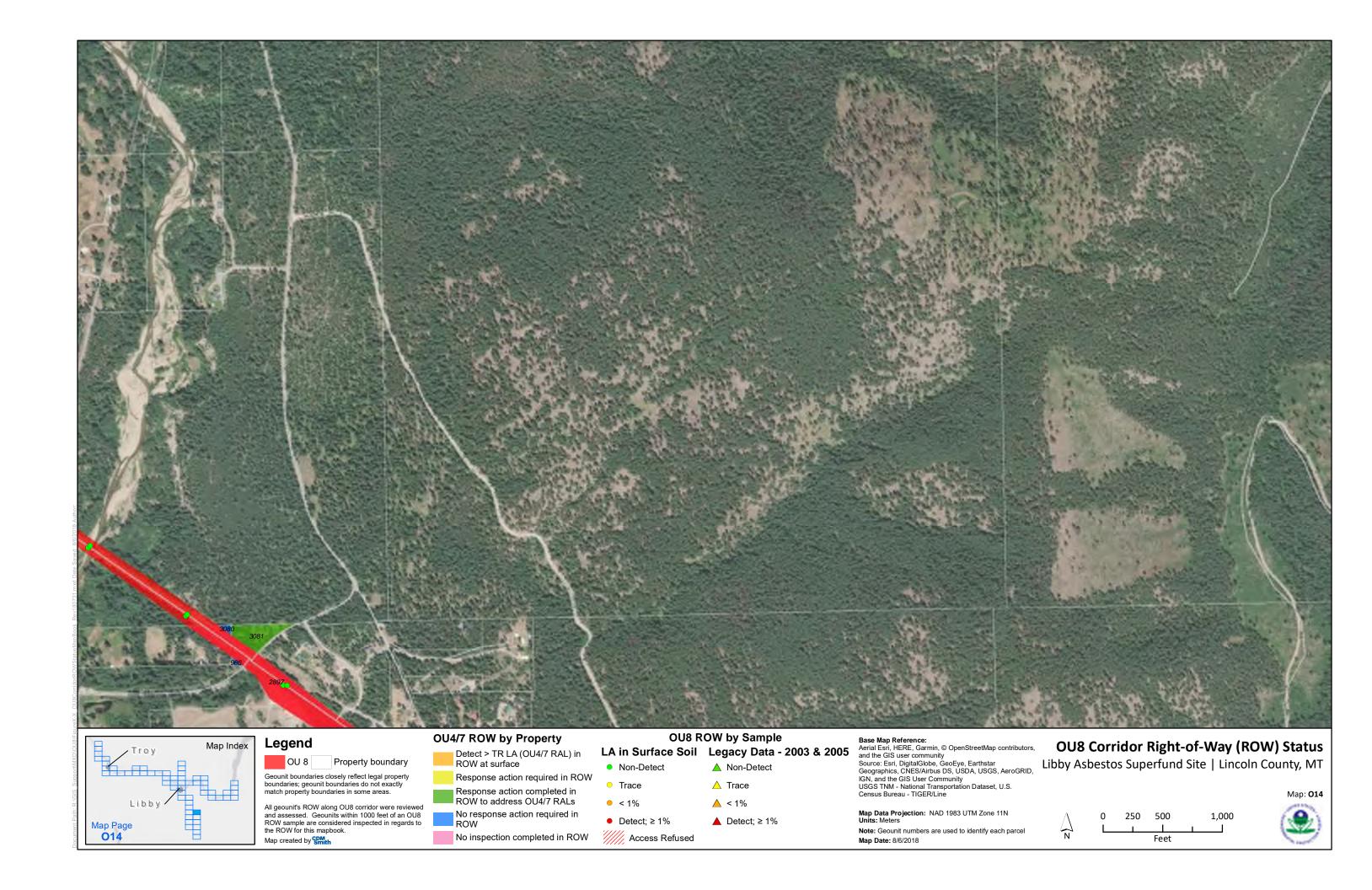


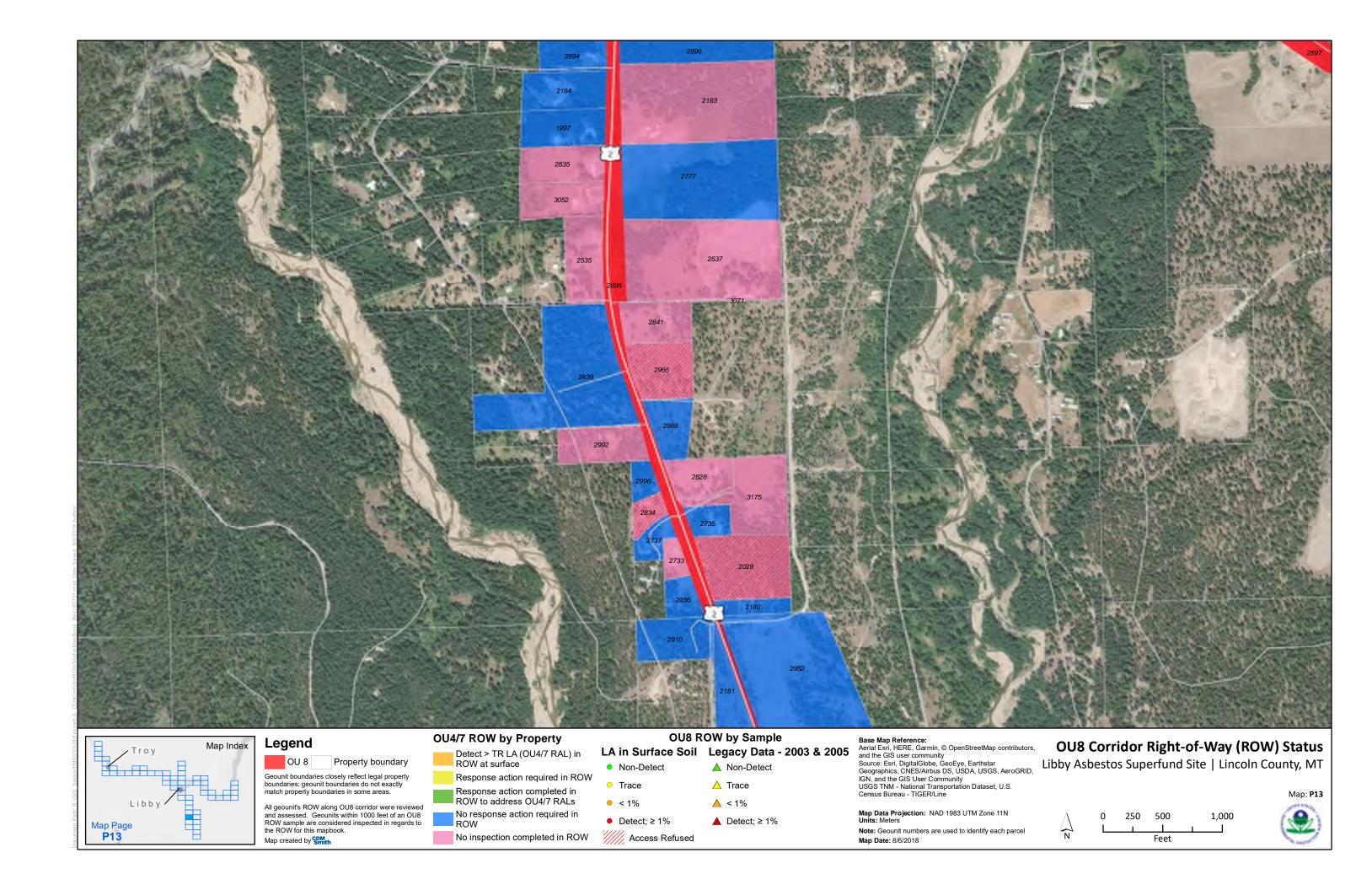


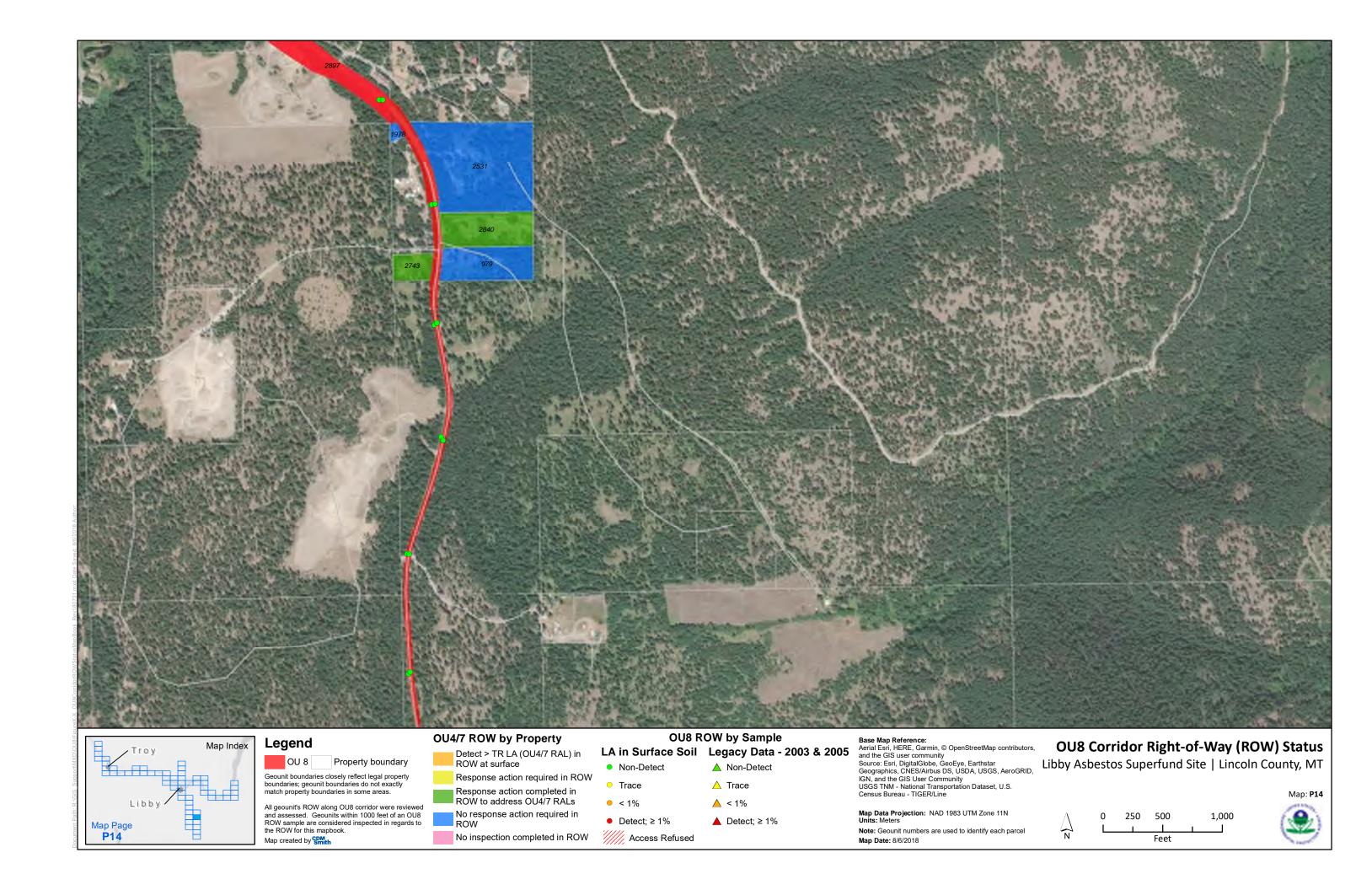


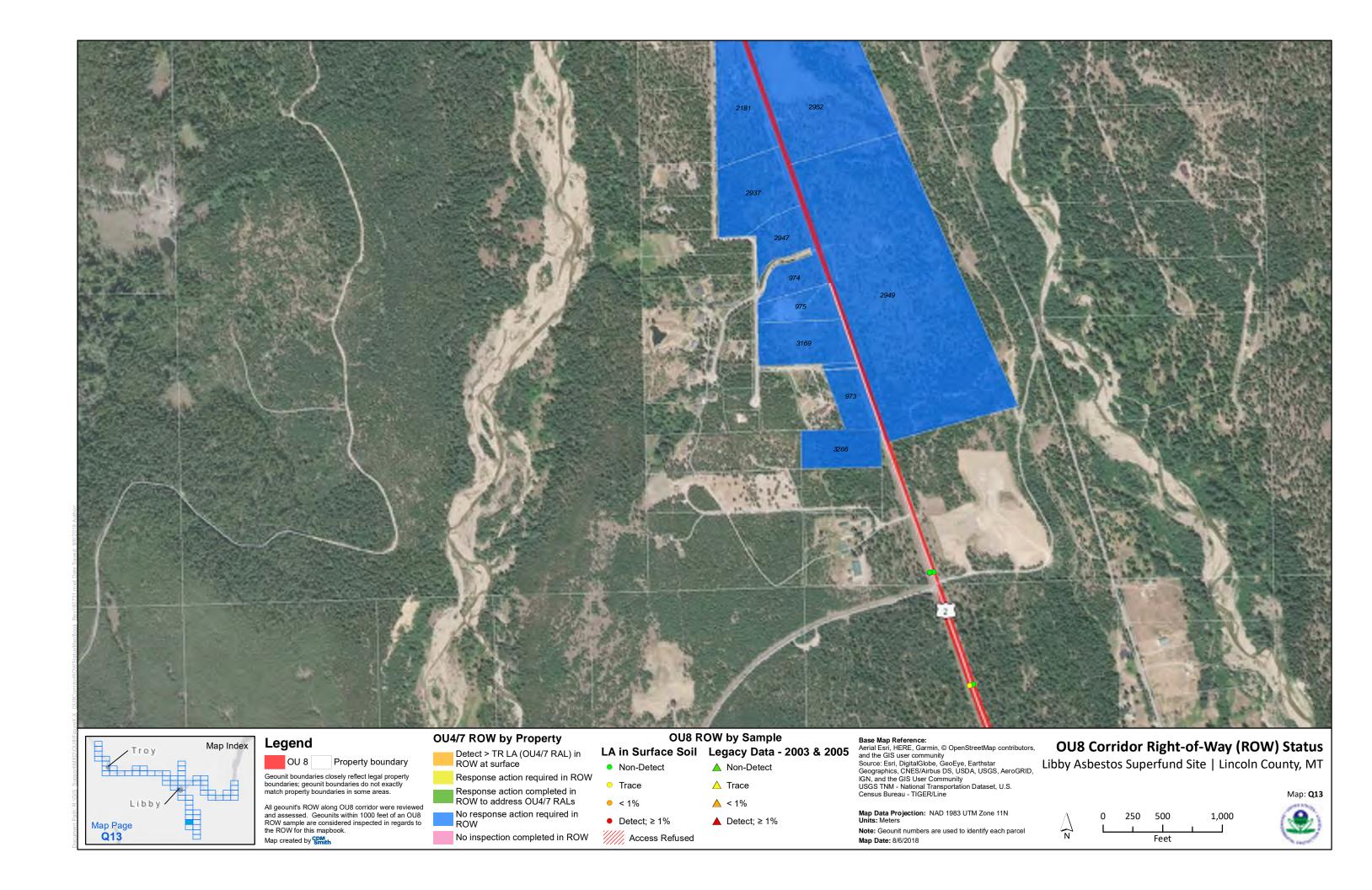


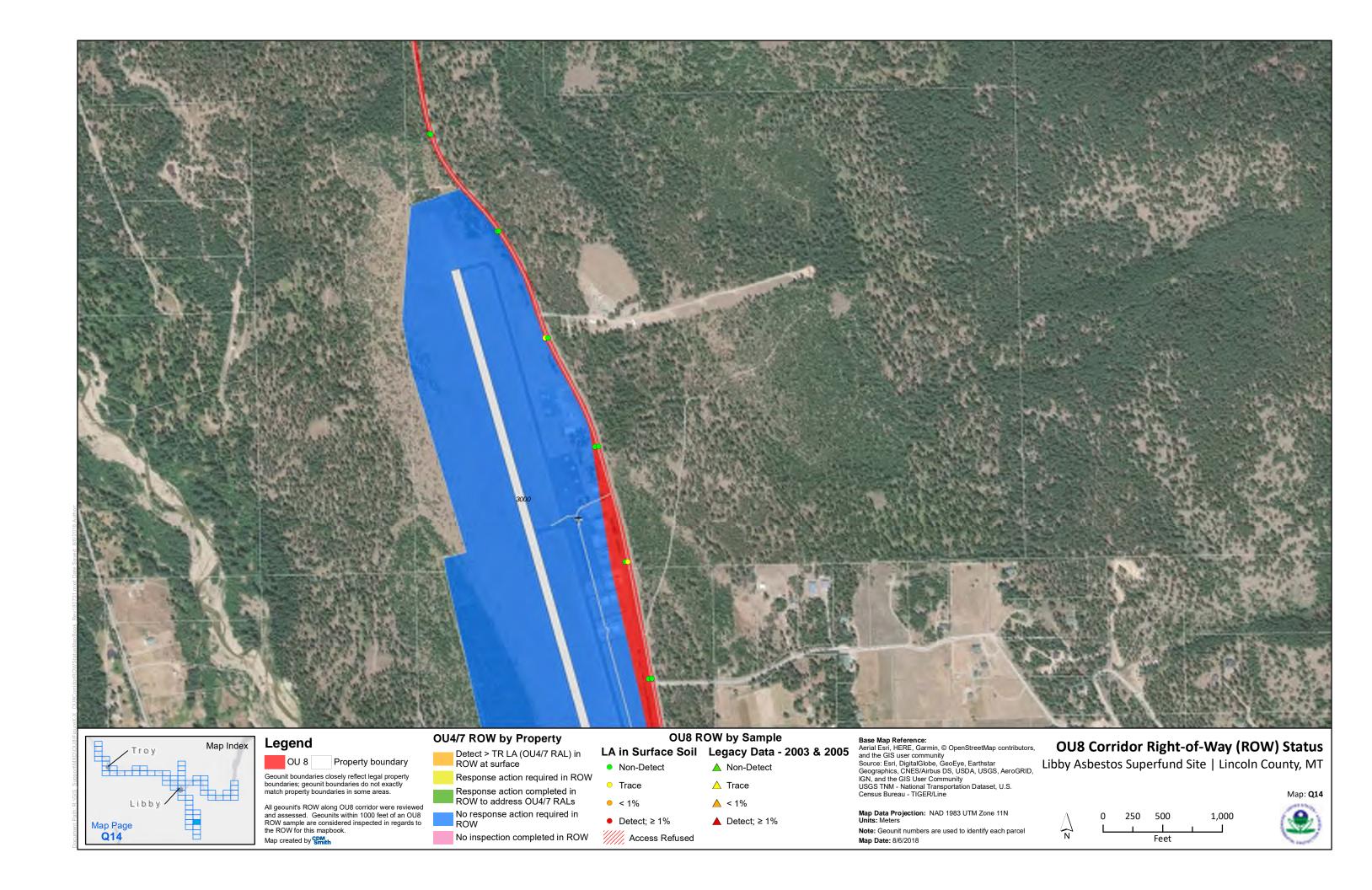


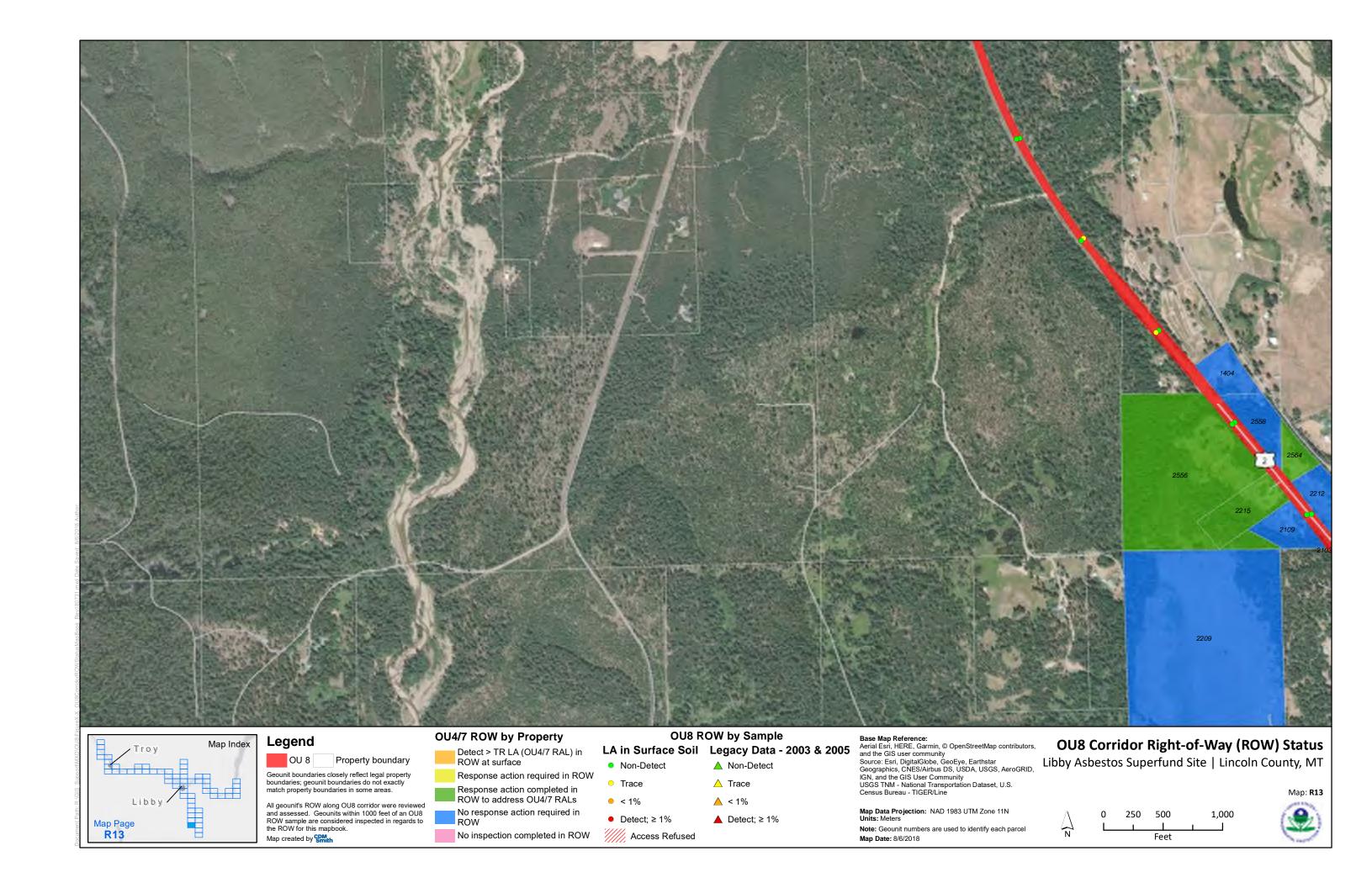


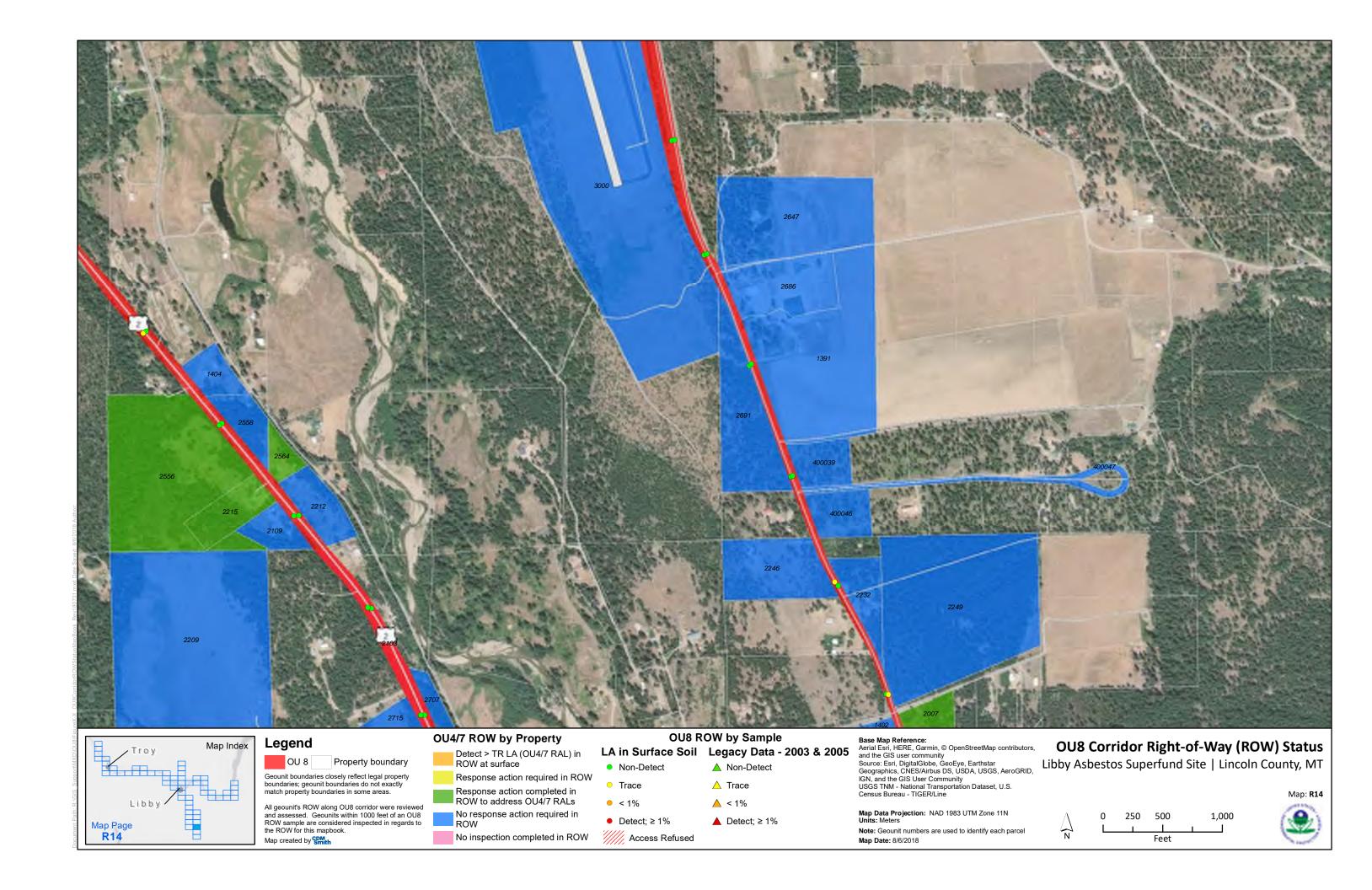


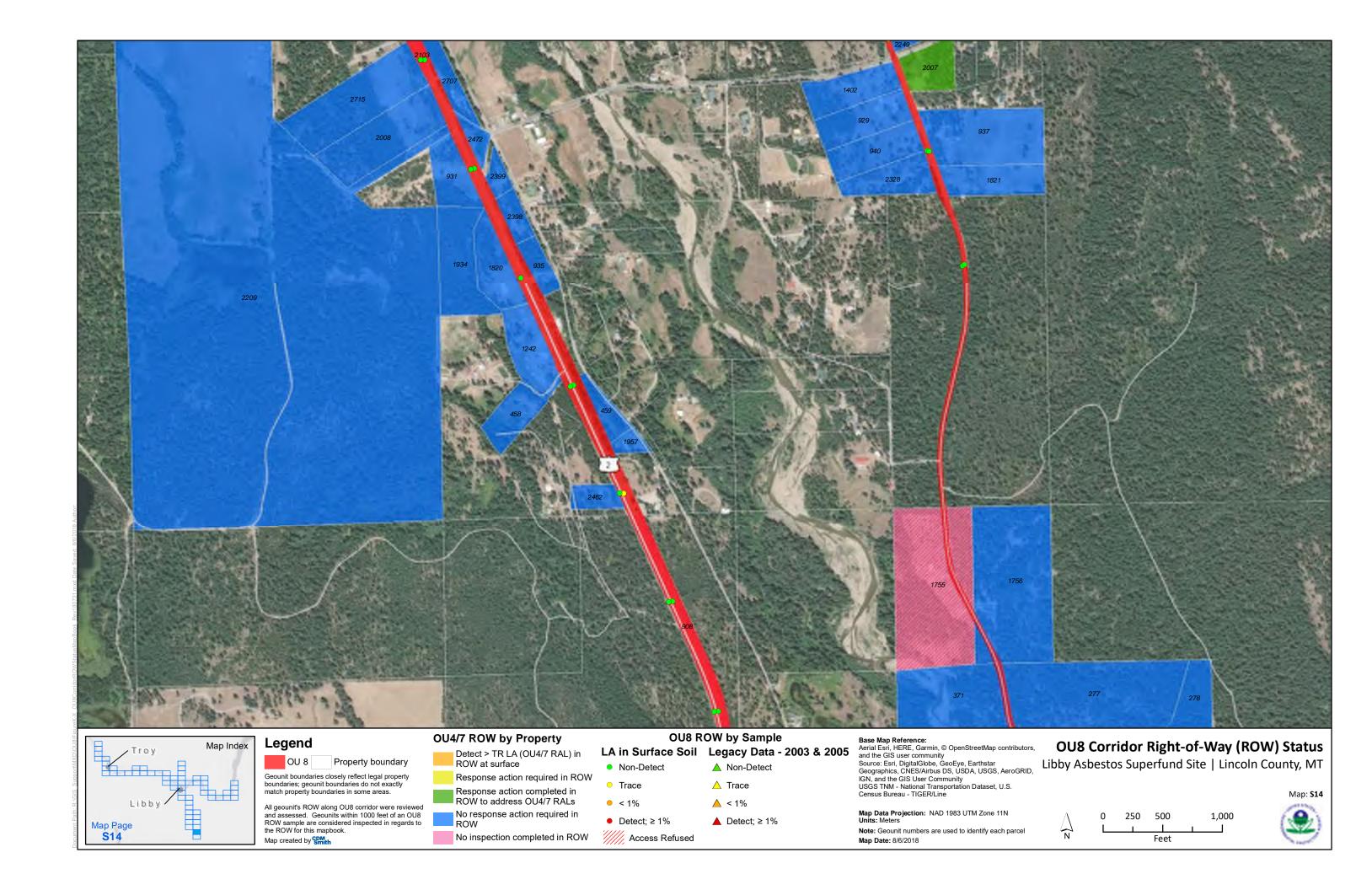


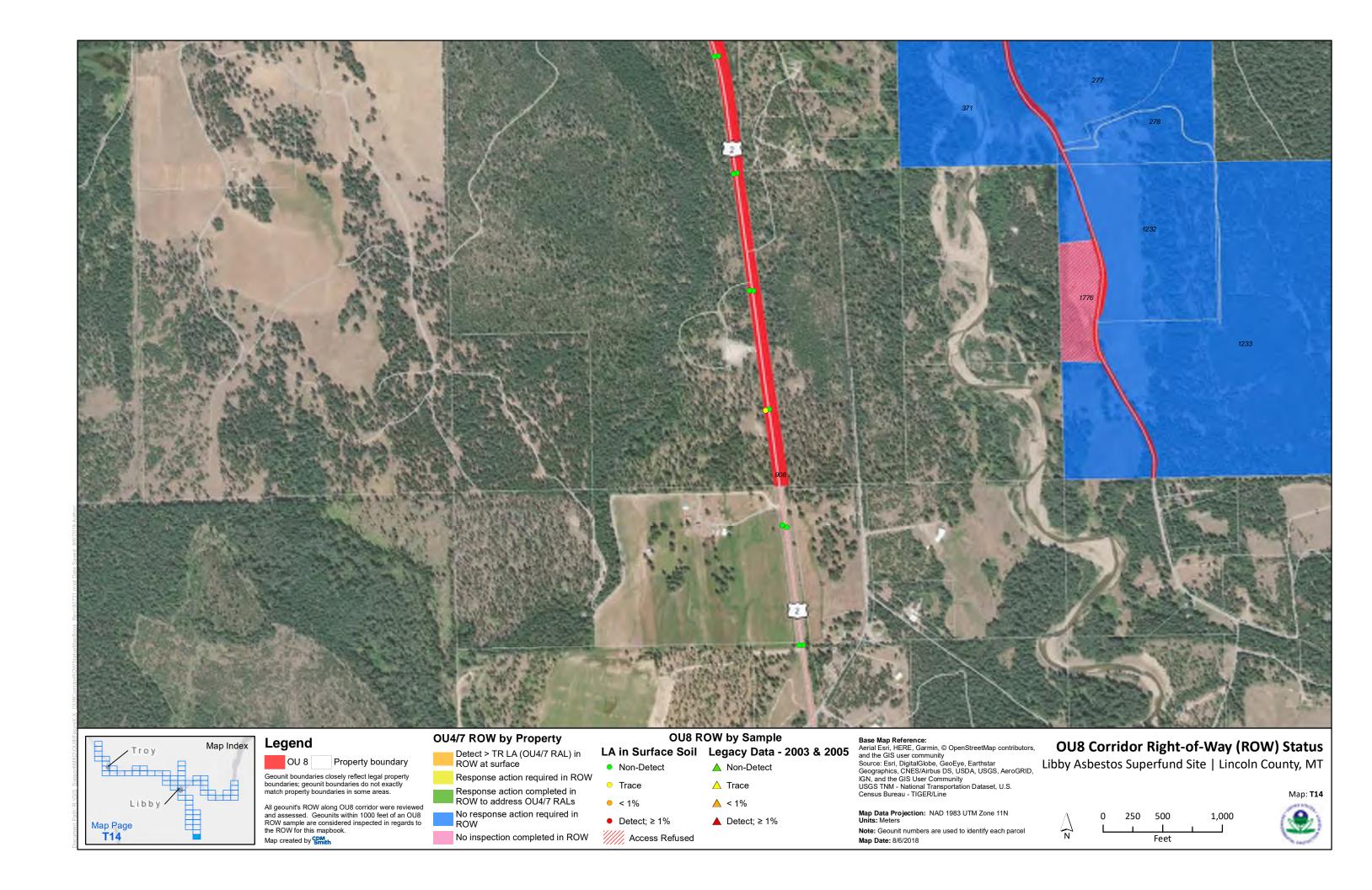












### Appendix C

# MDT Encroachment Permit Application and Addendum

# STATE OF MONTANA - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HELENA, MT 59620-1001 ENCROACHMENT APPLICATION AND PERMIT

- To be filled in	by Department	of Transportation Perso	onnel –				
AGREEMENT NO.:	AGREEMENT NO.: MAINTENANCE NO.:						
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CORRIDOR:							
COUNTY:							
<ul> <li>To be filled in by Departmen</li> </ul>	t of Transportat	ion Personnel and the	requesting Compa	ny –			
COMPANY OR CORPORATION	Date	MONTANA DEPARTM TRANSPORTATION	ENT OF	Date			
TITLE		TITLE					
SIGNATURE		SIGNATURE					
Subject to the terms and conditions shown on Pa	age 2 hereof: this per		anted				
Give sufficient detail to permit thorough und f work involves Environmental-Related of	cleanup or moni	toring, also complete S	Section 7.				
Township ——	— Ka	nge 	Section ——				
. Name of Applicant:							
. Address of Applicant:							
. Applicant's Phone #:	Fax	#:	Email:				
. If Applicant is a Corporation, give State	of Incorporation	and names of President	and Secretary:				
. Highway survey stations, milepost, dista which installations or structures will be i		ne, and distance from rigl	ht-of-way line (in me	etric units) near			
. For how long a period is the permit desi	ired?:						
. Nature of Permit:							
. Environmental actions involving hazard etc.)	ous waste sites?	(Superfund, Spills, Und	erground Storage T	anks, Old Mine			
YES: If YES is checked to #8 on Page #1.	continue to Page	3 to complete the Envi	ronmental Questio	ns Pertaining			
NO: If No is checked contin	ue to <b>Page 2</b> , <b>In</b> :	structions Concerning	Use of this Form.				

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### (INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING USE OF THIS FORM)

Applicant will complete this form along with plans, sketches and an environmental checklist and send to the appropriate District Maintenance Chief for review and approval.

AN ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST MUST BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT AND MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS PERMIT. THE PERMIT MUST NOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT AN ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST.

IF THE PROPOSED INSTALLATION WILL RESULT IN SIGNIFICANT, PERMANENT OR LONG TERM IMPACTS TO THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK IN TERMS OF SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE TRAFFIC VOLUMES, WEIGHT OR DELAYS TO TRAFFIC ON STATE ROADWAYS, SUCH AS MAJOR MINES GREATER THAN FIVE ACRES, A RAILROAD AT-GRADE CROSSING, RAILROAD UNDER OR OVERPASS, OR STRIP MINES, OR IF THE PROPOSED ACTION HAS PERMANENT IMPACTS TO OTHER FORMS OF TRANSPORTATION (RAIL, TRANSIT, OR AIR MOVEMENT), THE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING DIVISION FOR REVIEW PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF THIS PERMIT.

#### Subject to the following terms and conditions, the permit applied for upon the reverse side hereof, is hereby granted:

- 1. TERM. This permit shall be in full force and effect from the date hereof until revoked as herein provided.
- 2. FEE. The fee for issuance of this permit is .\_\_\_\_\_
- 3. REVOCATION. This permit may be revoked by State upon giving **45** days notice to Permittee by ordinary mail, sent to the address shown herein. However, the State may revoke this permit without notice if Permittee violates any of its conditions or terms.
- COMMENCEMENT OF WORK. No work shall be commenced until Permittee notifies the Maintenance Chief shown in application the date the Permittee proposes to commence work.
- 5. CHANGES IN HIGHWAY. If State highway changes necessitate changes in structures or installations installed under this permit, Permittee will make necessary changes without expense to State.
- 6. STATE SAVED HARMLESS FROM CLAIMS. As a consideration of being issued this permit, the Permittee, its successors or assigns, agrees to protect the State and save it harmless from all claims, actions or damage of every kind and description which may accrue to, or be suffered by, any person or persons, corporations or property by reason of the performance of any such work, character of materials used, or manner of installations, maintenance and operation, or by the improper occupancy of said highway right-of-way, and in case any suit or action is brought against the State and arising out of, or by reason of, any of the above causes, the Permittee, its successors or assigns, will, upon notice to them of the commencement of such action, defend the same at its sole cost and expense and satisfy any judgment which may be rendered against the State in any such suit or action.
- 7. PROTECTION OF TRAFFIC. The Permittee shall protect the work area with traffic control devices that comply with the <u>Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices</u>. The Permittee may be required to submit a traffic control plan to the Maintenance Chief for approval prior to starting work. During work, the Maintenance Chief or designee may require the Permittee to use additional traffic control devices to protect traffic or the work area. No road closure shall occur without prior approval from the District Engineer.
- 8. HIGHWAY AND DRAINAGE. If the work done under this permit interferes in any way with the drainage of the State highway affected. Permittee shall, at the Permittee's expense, make such provisions as the State may direct to remedy the interference.
- 9. RUBBISH AND DEBRIS. Upon completion of work contemplated under this permit, all rubbish and debris shall be immediately removed and the roadway and roadside left in a neat and presentable condition satisfactory to the State.
- 10. INSPECTION. The installation authorized by this permit shall be in compliance with the attached plan and the conditions of this permit. The Permittee may be required to remove or revise the installation, at sole expense of Permittee. If the installation does not conform with the requirements of this permit or the attached plan.
- 11. STATE'S RIGHT NOT TO BE INTERFERED WITH. All changes, reconstruction or relocation shall be done by Permittee so as to cause the least interference with any of the State's work, and the State shall not be liable for any damage to the Permittee by reason of any such work by the State, its agents, contractors or representatives, or by the exercise of any rights by the State upon the highways by the installations or structures placed under this permit.
- 12. REMOVAL OF INSTALLATIONS OR STRUCTURES. Unless waived by the State, upon termination of this permit, the Permittee shall remove the installations or structures installed under this permit at no cost to the State and restore the premises to the prior existing condition, reasonable and ordinary wear and tear and damage by the elements, or by circumstances over which the Permittee has no control, excepted.
- 13. MAINTENANCE AT EXPENSE OF PERMITTEE. Permittee shall maintain, at its sole expense, the installations and structures for which this permit is granted, in a condition satisfactory to the State.
- 14. STATE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGE TO INSTALLATIONS. In accepting this permit, the Permittee agrees that any damage or injury done to said installations or structures by a contractor working for the State, or by any State employee engaged in construction, alteration, repair, maintenance or improvement of the State highway, shall be at the sole expense of the Permittee.
- 15. STATE TO BE REIMBURSED FOR REPAIRING ROADWAY. Upon being billed, therefore, Permittee agrees to promptly reimburse State for any expense incurred in repairing surface of roadway due to settlement at installation, or for any other damage to roadway as a result of the work performed under this permit.
- 16. The Permittee shall not discharge or cause discharge of any hazardous or solid waste by the installation or operation of the facility of a State Right-of-Way.
- 17. The Permittee will control noxious weeds within the disturbed installation area for two (2) years.
- 18. In accordance with Mont. Code Ann. § 76-3-403(2), Permittee shall, at Permittee's expense, employ the services of a Montana Licensed Professional Land Surveyor to re-establish all existing survey monuments disturbed by work contemplated under this permit.
- 19. The use of explosives is prohibited for the installation.
- 20. Any condition of this permit shall not be waived without written approval of the appropriate District Engineer.
- 21. OTHER CONDITIONS AND/OR REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_

### Environmental Questions Pertaining to #8 on Page #1- Environmental actions involving hazardous waste sites? (Superfund, Spills, Underground Storage Tanks, Old Mines, etc.) Name of Facility: Facility ID: 8a. Address: City: \_\_\_\_\_State: \_\_\_\_Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Leaking underground storage tank site? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No 8b. If yes, provide MDEQ identification number: \_\_\_\_\_ Petro Fund Eligible? ☐ Yes ☐ No Remediation Response Sites (State Superfund Site)? Yes No 8c. If yes, identification number and/or site name: \_\_\_\_\_ 8d. Federal Superfund Site? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, identification number and/or site name: \_\_\_\_\_ Active Mine: Yes No OR Abandoned Mine: Yes No 8e. If yes, list the Mine Site ID#: Mine Description or Name: ☐ Yes ☐ No 8f. Spill: Spill Site: Spill Description: \_\_\_ Other Environmental Action: \_\_\_ 8g.

For each well installed in MDT R/W, provide GPS coordinates in state plane coordinates (preferred) or well survey information in another format (continue on another sheet if necessary).

NOTE: Each well request needs to be submitted on a separate application form.

Well Designation	Easting	Northing

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Contro	ol Number	Project Identification Number	Name/ Location Description			Route/Corr.	Fed Funds Involved? Yes  No
	(↑For MDT Use Only↑)						
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			Mile				
			City				
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Mail	ing Addre	ss:	City		8	State	Zip Code
		Impact Quest at qualify for Categorical Exclus 18.2.261 and 23 CFR 771.117	ion under MEPA and/or NEPA	Yes	No		nation, and/or Informat supporting information,
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2.	Will the pro	oposed action impact any public ldlife or waterfowl refuge(s)?	cly owned parkland(s), recreation				
3.	Will the pro	pposed action impact prime farm Farmland Conversion Impact F	Rating Ad-1006.)				
4.	that may	proposed action have an impact result from relocations of persolutterns, changes in grade, or other contracts.	ons or businesses, changes in				
		proposed action received any pland use authority?	oreliminary or final approval from				
5.	environme	oposed action, is there documer ntal grounds? (For example, ha from an environmental organiza	s the applicant received a letter				
6.		oposed action require work in, a Wild or Scenic River?	cross or adjacent to a listed or				
7.	Will the pro	oposed action require work in a nent area?	Class I Air Shed or				_
8.		oposed action impact air quality	or increase noise, even	П	П		
9.	Will the pro	oposed action have potential to the other water bodies? If the answirmit or authorization may be req	ver is YES, an environment-				
10.	Are solid o	r hazardous wastes or petroleu ed? (For example, project occu vn spill areas, underground stor	m products likely to be rs in or adjacent to Superfund				
11.		re any listed or candidate threat habitat in the vicinity of the prop	tened or endangered species, or bosed action?				
	or enda	angered species, or adversely n					
12.		oposed action require an enviro on? If the answer is "yes," plea ons.					
13.	a. Is the p Reservation	roposed action on or within app n?	roximately 1 mile of an Indian				
	b. If "Yes",	will a Tribal Water Permit be re	quired			N/A	
14.	or delays o	oposed action result in increase on state highways, or have adve tion (rail, transit or air movemen					
15.	government extent of the	osed action part of a project that ntal permits, licenses or easement ne project and any other permits cessary for the applicant to acq	ents? If "Yes", describe the full s, licenses or easements that				
<ul> <li>16. Attach a brief description of the work to be performed, including any subsurface work.</li> <li>17. Attach representative photos of the site(s) where the proposed action would be implemented. Photos are to include any structures, streams, irrigation canals, and/or potential wetlands in the project area.</li> </ul>							
<ul><li>18.  Attach map(s) showing the location(s) of the proposed action(s); Section, Township, Range; highway or route number and approximate route post(s).</li></ul>							
Chec	klist prep						
		Applicant		Title			Date
Revie	ewed for	completeness by:					

MDT District Representative	Title	Date
Checklist Approved by:		
Environmental Services Bureau (When any of the items 1 through 15 are checked "Yes")	Title	Date
Transportation Planning (When items 14 or 15 are checked "Yes")	Title	Date

#### **Checklist Conditions and Required Approvals**

- A. The Applicant is **not** authorized to proceed with the proposed work until the checklist has been reviewed and approved, as necessary, and any requested conditions of approval have been incorporated.
- B. Complete the checklist items 1 through 15, indicating "Yes" or "No" for each item. Include comments, explanations, information sources, and a description of the magnitude/importance of potential impacts in the right hand column. Attach additional and supporting information as needed. Ensure that information required for items 16, 17, and 18, is attached. The checklist preparer, by signing, certifies the accuracy of the information provided.
- C. If "Yes" is indicated on any of the items, the Applicant must explain the impacts as applicable. Appropriate mitigation measures that will be taken to avoid, minimize, and/or mitigate adverse impacts must also be described. Any proposed mitigation measures will become a condition of approval. Use attachments if necessary. If the applicant checks "No" and the District concludes there may in fact be potential impacts, the Environmental Checklist must be forwarded to Environmental Services Bureau for review and approval.
- D. If "Yes" is indicated in item 11 a. (threatened or endangered species), the Applicant should provide information naming the particular species and the expected location, distribution and habitat use in the proposed action area, i.e. within the immediate area of the proposed action; or, in the general area on occasion (seasonally passes through) but does not nest, den or occupy the area for more than a few days.
- E. If the applicant checks "Yes" for any item, the approach permit, occupancy agreement or permit, along with the checklist and supporting information, including the Applicant's mitigation proposal, documentation, evaluation and/or permits must be submitted to MDT Environmental Services Bureau. Electronic format is preferred.
- F. When the applicant checks "Yes" to any item, the Applicant cannot be authorized to proceed with the proposed work until the MDT Environmental Services Bureau and/or Transportation Planning, as appropriate, reviews the information and signs the checklist.
- G. Applicant must obtain all necessary permits or authorizations from other entities with jurisdiction prior to beginning the proposed action or activity. The Applicant is solely responsible for any environmental impacts incurred as a result of the project; obtaining any necessary environmental permits, notifications, and/or clearances; and ensuring compliance with environmental laws and regulations.

Montana's Wild and Scenic Rivers system as published by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, or the U.S. Department of the Interior:

- 1. Middle Fork of the Flathead River (headwaters to South Fork of the Flathead River confluence)
- 2. North Fork of the Flathead River (Canadian Border to Middle Fork of the Flathead River confluence)
- 3. South Fork of the Flathead River (headwaters to Hungry Horse Reservoir)
- 4. Missouri River (Fort Benton to Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge)

### **Stream Permitting Guidelines**

To be used for informational purposes when filling out the Environmental Checklist for MDT approach permits, encroachment/occupancy permits or Maintenance projects.

The most commonly required permits or authorizations are listed below. Other permits or authorizations may be required, and other laws may apply depending on the type and the location of the proposed activity. For more information please refer to "A Guide to Stream Permitting in Montana" available on the Internet at http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/permits/ or from your local conservation district office. (The information provided below was adapted from "A Guide to Stream Permitting in Montana")

Montana Natural Streambed and Land Preservation Act (310 Permit)

Any private, nongovernmental individual or entity that proposes any activity that physically alters or modifies the bed or banks of a **perennially flowing stream** must obtain a 310 permit before beginning work.

Contact the conservation district office to obtain a permit application, fill the application out and submit it to the local conservation district prior to any activity in or near a perennial-flowing stream. Once an application is accepted, a team that consists of a conservation district representative; a Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks biologist; and the applicant may conduct an on site inspection. The team makes recommendations to the conservation district board, which has 60 days from the time the application is accepted to approve, modify, or deny the permit. Local rules apply. There is no charge for a 310 permit.

For more information, contact your local conservation district or the Conservation Districts Bureau – MT Department of Natural Resources and Conservation at (406) 444-6667, or the Montana Association of Conservation Districts (406) 443-5711

#### **Montana Stream Protection Act (SPA 124 Permit)**

Any agency or subdivision of federal, state, county, or city government proposing a project that may affect the natural existing shape and form of any stream or its banks or tributaries must obtain a SPA 124 permit before beginning work.

Any agency or unit of government planning a project must submit a Notice of Construction (application) to the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, which has up to 60 days to review the application, perform an on-site investigation, and approve, modify, or deny the application. There is no application fee.

For more information contact the Habitat Protection Bureau – MT Fish, Wildlife and Parks (406) 444-2449.

Montana Floodplain and Floodway Management Act (Floodplain Development Permit)
Anyone planning new construction within a designated I00 year floodplain must obtain a floodplain development permit before beginning work. New construction includes, but is not limited to, placement of fill, roads, bridges, culverts, transmission lines, irrigation facilities, storage of equipment or materials, and excavation; new construction, placement, or replacement of manufactured homes; and new construction, additions, or substantial improvements to residential and commercial buildings. Check with local planning officials or the Floodplain Management Section of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation to determine whether a 100-year floodplain has been designated for the stream of interest.

Floodplain Development Permits are available from the local floodplain administrator, who may be the city/county planner, sanitarian, building inspector, town clerk, or county commissioner. Permit applications are available from the local floodplain administrator or from the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation. Application fees are established by the local government and vary widely throughout the state. The application process may take up to 60 days. Joint application participant-see Permitting Tips section.

For more information contact the Floodplain Management Section – MT Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (406) 444-0860.

#### Federal Clean Water Act (404 Authorization or Permit)

Anyone proposing a project that will result in the discharge or placement of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States must obtain a 404 authorization or permit before beginning work. "Waters of the United States" include lakes, rivers, streams (including perennial, intermittent, and ephemeral channels with an ordinary high water mark), wetlands, and other aquatic sites.

Anyone planning a project must submit an application to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps). The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency also has regulatory review and enforcement functions under the law. Permit authorization varies depending on the size and scope of the intended project.

Activities that meet the conditions for a Nationwide or Regional General Permit may be approved in 10 to 45 days. Individual Permits require more extensive review and require a public notice period. Permit approval may take 90 to 120 days. Application fees for Individual Permits may vary from \$10 for private individuals to \$100 for commercial applicants. Do not send money with the application. Applicants will be notified if a fee applies.

For more information contact the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 10 West 15th Street, Suite 2200, Helena, MT 59626, Phone (406) 441-1375.

#### **Short-term Water Quality Standard for Turbidity (318 Authorization)**

Anyone initiating construction activity that will cause short term or temporary violations of state surface water quality standards for turbidity in any "State water" must obtain a 318 Authorization before beginning work. "State water" includes any body of water, irrigation system, or drainage system, either surface or underground, including wetlands, except for irrigation water where the water is used up within the irrigation system and the water is not returned to other state water.

A 318 Authorization must be obtained prior to initiating a project. The authorization may be obtained from the Department of Environmental Quality, or may be waived by the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks during its review process under the Natural Streambed and Land Preservation Act (310 Permit) or the Stream Protection Act (SPA 124 Permit).

Individual applications submitted to the Department of Environmental Quality are normally processed within 30 to 60 days. Authorizations waived under the 310 or SPA 124 permit processes correspond to the time frame under each permit system, usually 30 to 60 days. There is an application fee of \$150.00 (make check or money order payable to Water Protection Bureau, Department of Environmental Quality).

For more information contact the Water Protection Bureau – MT Department of Environmental Quality (406) 444-3080.

#### **Storm Water Discharge General Permits**

Anyone proposing a construction activity that will disturb one or more acres, a defined industrial activity; a mining or oil and gas activity in which storm water will come into contact with overburden, raw material, intermediate products, finished products, or waste products located on the site of such operations (including active and inactive mine sites); or other defined activity that has a discharge of storm water into surface waters. Permit authorization is typically obtained under a Montana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MPDES) "General Permit".

For storm water discharges associated with construction activity, permit authorization is effective upon Department receipt of a complete Notice of Intent (NOI), Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP), and fee. This must be received no later than the construction activity start date. For other regulated storm water discharges, a complete Application Form, SWPPP (except for Small MS4s), and fee must be received for review at least 30 days prior to the discharge of storm water from the facility or activity. Fees vary depending on the type of permit. Contact the Department or visit the website listed below for various storm water discharge "General Permits," Application/NOI Forms, fee schedule, and other permitting forms/information.

For more information contact the Water Protection Bureau – MT Department of Environmental Quality, (406) 444-3080, http://www.deq.mt.gov.

### ADDENDUM TO MDT APPROACH AND ENCROACHMENT/OCCUPANCY PERMIT NOTIFICATION OF LIBBY AMPHIBOLE ASBESTOS

MDT right-of-way surface soil located within the boundaries of the Libby Asbestos National Priorities List Superfund site and in yet unidentified areas of MDT right-of-way in Lincoln Co., Montana may contain ubiquitous amounts of amphibole asbestos contamination. This contamination is sourced from the historic mining, processing, and transport of vermiculite from the former W.R. Grace Mine located north of Libby, MT. The releases of Libby amphibole asbestos (LA) to the environment have caused a range of adverse health effects in exposed people, including not only workers at the mine and processing facilities, but also residents of Lincoln County.

Testing by MDT and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has confirmed the presence of LA in both asphalt aggregate and in MDT right-of way surface soil on MT 37 north of the Kootenai River Bridge to past the junction with Rainy Creek Road. Though not yet tested, LA may also be present in trees and vegetation. Testing also indicates that other transportation corridors in Lincoln Co. also contain varying amounts of LA in both surface soil and vegetation.

(Name of Permittee) is hereby put on notice that undiscovered areas of LA contamination may be present in MDT right-of-way surface soil in the permit area. Permittee should take all appropriate precautions to guard against potential exposure to LA contamination by its agents, employees, or other third parties while conducting any soil or vegetation disturbance in MDT right-of-way in the permit area. Permittee shall notify the EPA to report any planned disturbance of soil or vegetation within the permit area, at (406) 291-5335. For additional information or questions, Permittee may contact the EPA or MDT Environmental Services in Helena, MT at (406) 444-7632.

Permittee, its agents and employees, agree to protect, defend and indemnify the State of Montana, MDT, its agents, and employees, and save and hold each of them harmless from and against all claims, demands and causes of action of any kind or character, including defense costs, arising from activities conducted under this permit, from any claims or causes of action from the Permittee's agents, employees, or other third parties arising from or allegedly due to activities under this permit, and from any claims, demands and causes of action of any kind or character, including defense costs, or damages due to or allegedly caused to any third parties for personal injuries, property damage, loss of life or property, civil penalties, or criminal fines resulting from or in any way connected with activities pertaining to this permit.

This Addendum constitutes an addition to said permit. All other provisions of said permit remain unchanged.

### Appendix D

Recommended Annual O&M Checklist

#### **RECOMMENDED ANNUAL O&M / REMEDY EVALUATION CHECKLIST**

#### **Introduction and Purpose**

Effective operation and maintenance (O&M) at Superfund sites generally is critical to ensure that remedies remain protective of human health and the environment.

The recommended Annual O&M Remedy Evaluation Checklist has been designed to help the Remedial Project Manager (RPM) capture data routinely collected during O&M in a way that can better evaluate the efficiency and effectiveness of the remedial action. This recommended checklist may also be used to evaluate an operating remedy prior to transferring the site to the State for O&M. In addition, remedy performance summarized using this recommended checklist can be used to communicate remedy progress to the local community, highlight potential issues before they become problems and help the RPM complete five-year reviews more efficiently.

The information that you collect using this recommended form should help you answer the following questions:

- Is the remedy achieving the remedial action objectives (RAOs), maintaining cleanup goals and/or achieving technology-specific performance goals?
- If the remedy is not achieving the established objectives and goals, what must I do to correct this and how can I document this?
- If the remedy is achieving the performance goals, objectives and performance standards, are there any opportunities to optimize the remedy to make it work more efficiently?

This recommended checklist is intended to be completed annually. It is recommended that any data that you use to complete this evaluation be attached to the checklist, as this will make completing the next year's evaluation easier.

This recommended checklist does not recommend the level of review carried out in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) five-year review process. However the recommended checklist contains review elements that are consistent with a five-year review process.

#### **Instructions:**

The recommended checklist is in Microsoft Word and was designed to be completed electronically. Most questions involve a short answer, yes/no response or simply checking the box. Questions that involve a short answer will have an expandable text box. For responses that ask to you to "select one," please double click on "select one" and choose the correct answer. If the information is not available for a particular question, please indicate this with a N/A. A site visit is strongly encouraged, but not required prior to completing the recommended checklist.

- 1. This evaluation is intended to be completed yearly once O&M activities have begun at a site and can be stored and maintained in an electronic format.
- 2. For large complex sites, consider completing a separate checklist for each Operable Unit (OU).
- 3. This evaluation should be based on information and documentation (e.g., O&M reports and monitoring data) that is readily available to the RPM.
- 4. Section VIII, "Technical Data and Remedy Performance," provides specific instructions regarding what data and information are important for this section. Data entered in Section VIII are used to evaluate the specific technology used in that remedial action (RA). Please note: Section VIII, Appendix E, Other Remedy Types/Components was designed to be used by the RPM for the annual review of O&M remedies and remedy components that are not addressed in Appendices A through D or by the separate Recommended Annual O&M Remedy Evaluation Checklist for Contaminated Sediment Remedies, OSWER #9355.0-118.
- 5. When you have completed the recommended checklist, please sign and date page 1 and place the completed document in the site file. Additionally, we recommend that you save the completed checklist electronically for use in completing the next year's evaluation.

Generally, including the Recommended Annual O&M/Remedy Evaluation Checklist in the site repository can provide the community with information about O&M status and remedy performance and can demonstrate that the Region is tracking performance to ensure that the remedy remains protective.

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Acronym List					
AS	Air Sparging	PCOR	Preliminary Close Out Report		
CSM	Conceptual Site Model	PRGs	Preliminary Remediation Goals		
GAC	Granular Activated Carbon	PRP	Potentially Responsible Party		
ICs	Institutional Controls	RAO	Remedial Action Objective		
LEL	Lower Explosive Limit	ROD	Record of Decision		
LTRA	Long-Term Response Action	RPM	Remedial Project Manager		
MNA	Monitored Natural Attenuation	RSE	Remediation System Evaluation		
NPL	National Priorities List	SVE	Soil Vapor Extraction		
O&F	Operational and Functional	TI Waivers	Technical Impracticability Waivers		
O&M	Operation and Maintenance	USACE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers		
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration	VEB	Vertical Engineered Barrier		
OU	Operable Unit	VOCs	Volatile Organic Compounds		

### **RECOMMENDED ANNUAL O&M / REMEDY EVALUATION CHECKLIST**

Please save electronically and send this completed checklist and any attachments to the site file and site repository.

I. SIGNATURES AND APPROVALS						
RPM		RPM (If appropriate)				
Name:		Name:				
Telephone:	_	Telephone:	T = .			
3	ate:	Signature:	Date:			
State Contact (if appropriate)						
Name:						
Telephone:						
Signature:			Date:			
II. GENERAL SITE INFORMATION						
Site Name:						
State:						
Period Covered:	to		EPA Site ID:			
Site Lead: (Select one)	Other, s	pecify:				
Organization responsible for O&M operations:	(Select o	one)				
Other, specify:						
Site Remedy Components (ref. Section VIII):						
Preliminary Close Out Report (PCOR) date:						
Operational & Functional (O&F) date:						
Last five-year review date:						
NPL deletion date:						
Did you make a site visit during this review?	☐ Yes	□ No	Date:			
If no, why:						
Date of next planned checklist evaluation:						
Location of Administrative Record/Site Files:						
During the site visit, was monitoring equipment	operationa	ıl?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A			
Please elaborate:						
Has an Optimization Study been conducted at the	he site?	□ N/A □ Yes □ No	Date:			
If not, is one planned?						
List all site events since the last evaluation that impact or may impact remedy performance.						
Chronology of events since last report (e.g., site storm events):	e visits, rec	eipt of reports, equipment failur	es, shutdowns, vandalism,			
Elaborate on significant site events or visits to s	site:					

#### **III. DOCUMENTS AND RECORDS**

Because these	e documents n	nay be rec	uired for	the	five-year	review,	verify	what	documents	are
currently avail	able on-site, or	note off-si	te locatio	n:						

currently available on-site, or note off-site location:						
Document	Required	Not required	On- site	Off-site (indicate where)		
O&M Manual						
O&M Maintenance Logs						
O&M Annual Reports						
RA as-built drawings modified during O&M						
Site-Specific Health and Safety Plan						
Contingency/Emergency Response Plan						
O&M/Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Training Records						
Settlement Monument Records						
Gas Generation Records						
Ground Water Monitoring Records						
Surface Water/Sediment/Fish Monitoring Records**						
Cap/Cover System Inspection Records						
Leachate Extraction Records						
Discharge Compliance Records						
Institutional Controls (ICs) Review						
Other(s) (Please name each)						

<sup>\*\*</sup> Note: A separate O&M checklist has been developed for surface water/sediment remedies. For completeness, answer this question regarding documentation requirements and availability, and enter more detailed information in the surface water/sediment checklist.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES	
Check all that apply:	Date Initiated:
Explanation of Significant Differences in progress	
Record of Decision (ROD) Amendment in progress	
☐ Site in O&F period	
Long-Term Response Action (LTRA) in progress	
LTRA Transition to O&M in progress	
☐ Notice of Intent to Delete site in progress	
Partial Site Deletion in progress	
☐ Technical Impracticability (TI) Waivers in progress	
Reuse Assessment or Reuse Plan in progress	
Revised Risk Assessment in progress	
☐ Ecological OR ☐ Human Health	
Other administrative issues:	

#### VI. O&M COSTS

The purpose of this section is to document what is known about O&M costs for this site. It is realized that not all cost information will be readily available, but to the extent possible, please provide the following information, as this will help identify cost increases and flag potential budget issues before they arise.

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What was the total annual O&M cost for the previous year?				
What is the expected total annual O&M cost for the upcoming year?				
Please provide an approximate breakout of the previous year's O&M costs below.	Use either \$ or %			
Analytical (e.g., lab costs):				
Materials (e.g., treatment chemicals, cap materials):				
Oversight (e.g., project management):				
Monitoring (e.g., ground water sampling):				
Utilities (e.g., electric, gas, phone, water):				
ICs (implementation and enforcement):				
Other (e.g., capital improvements, equipment repairs):				
Describe any unanticipated/unusually high or low O&M costs and potent	ial future O&M funding issues.			

#### VII. INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS (ICs)\*\*

The purpose of the IC evaluation at the O&M phase is to determine if the ICs are implemented, effective and durable. The following references may be useful for completing this evaluation:

- Institutional Controls Bibliography: Institutional Control, Remedy Selection, and Post Construction Completion Guidance and Policy (OSWER 9355.0110, December 2005);
- Supplement to the Comprehensive Five-Year Review Guidance; Evaluation of Institutional Controls (OSWER 9355.7-12, working draft 3/17/05);
- National IC Strategy to Ensure Institutional Controls Implementation at Superfund Sites (OSWER 9355.0-106, September 2004); and
- Institutional Controls: A Site Manager's Guide to Identifying, Evaluating and Selecting Institutional Controls at Superfund and RCRA Corrective Action Cleanup (OSWER 9355.0-7-4FS-P, September 2000).
- \*\* Note: A separate O&M checklist has been developed for surface water/sediment remedies. For completeness, answer this question regarding ICs, and enter more detailed information in the surface water/sediment checklist.

sheet if necessary.	xtra
Are the ICs adequate to minimize the potential for human exposure and protect the integrity of the remedy?	Yes No
If no, please explain.	
Please identify the party responsible for compliance and enforcement of the IC.	
Please describe what the ICs are intended to accomplish, who they are designed to inform, the source docur the IC, and where the IC information is located.	nent for
Please identify the date when the ICs were implemented. If the ICs have yet to be implemented, please ide party responsible for implementing the ICs and the scheduled implementation date.	ntify the
If the ICs have been implemented, are they still in place? If the ICs remain in place, please identify whether a planned termination date and, if so, what it is.	there is
Are there reasons to clarify or modify the appropriate decision document(s) to improve the effectiveness and/or durability of the ICs?	Yes No
If yes, please explain and describe any plans to clarify/modify the document(s)	

#### **VIII. TECHNICAL DATA AND REMEDY PERFORMANCE**

The purpose of this section is to help prompt questions about remedy performance over the past year, the adequacy of monitoring activities to assess remedy performance, and changes in field conditions or understanding that could affect the remedy. Specific sections also prompt questions about remedy optimization. Addressing these questions on an annual basis can help to flag opportunities and potential issues to watch in the coming year and help inform future improvements in remedy O&M. The collection of annual checklists can also serve as documentation of when a potential issue was first identified, what was done to address it, and when it was addressed. Thus, an annual checklist can be a useful, succinct source of information to help RPMs recount O&M history.

Questions for specific remedy types (e.g., ground water pump-and-treat) are contained in Appendices A through D at the end of the form. Appendix E contains general questions that can be used to document technical data and remedy performance for remedies and remedy components that do not fit within the specific categories identified in the remainder of this checklist. Identify the remedy types in Section VIII.A, below, and complete a copy of each appendix that is applicable to the site. If the site includes multiple remedies or remedy components of the same type, please complete a copy of the applicable appendix for each remedy/component (e.g., if the remedy includes two separately managed containment areas, complete two copies of Appendix C, one for each area). A separate O&M checklist has been developed for surface water/sediment remedies and remedy components. If the site includes a surface water/sediment remedy, note this below and complete the surface water/sediment checklist.

A. Please identify the type(s) of remedy(ies) this Annual O&M Remedy Evaluation Checklist addresses:						
Ground Water Pump-and-Treat (please complete Appendix A)						
Ground Water Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA) (please complete Appendix B)						
Ground Water or Soil Containment (please complete	e Appendix C)					
Soil Vapor Extraction/Air Sparging (please complete	e Appendix D)					
☐ Other Remedy Types (please complete Appendix E)	)					
IX. RECOMMENDATIONS						
New Recommendations, from this annual review	:					
Recommendation	Party Responsible	Milestone Date				

#### **APPENDICES**

## TECHNICAL DATA AND REMEDY PERFORMANCE ANNUAL O&M / REMEDY EVALUATION CHECKLIST

## RECOMMENDED APPENDIX A. GROUND WATER PUMP-AND-TREAT REMEDIES

The following checklist is an abbreviated set of questions that could be used by an EPA RPM for annually reviewing the O&M of a ground water pump-and-treat remedy, including pump-and-treat remedies designed for hydraulic containment. This checklist was developed using concepts presented in EPA guidance, *Elements for Effective Management of Operating Pump and Treat Systems* (EPA 542-R-02-009, December 2002). This guidance is part of a series of fact sheets that EPA OSRTI has prepared as guidance to the ground water remediation community on effectively and efficiently designing and operating long-term ground water remedies. For more information, including the guidance *O&M Report Template for Ground Water Remedies (with Emphasis on Pump and Treat Systems)* (EPA 542-R-05-010, April 2005) and report *Pilot Project to Optimize Superfund-Financed Pump and Treat Systems: Summary Report and Lessons Learned* (EPA 542-R-02-008a), visit EPA's CLU-IN Website (www.cluin.org/).

A. Remedy Goals and Conceptual Site Model (CSM)	
<b>1. Review of the current remedy goals and measurements:</b> Remedy goals may be expressed in to broad, long-term purpose or intent specified in a decision document (e.g., cleanup to a specified concentre performance-based metric or milestone intermediate in duration (e.g., a 20% decrease in monthly concentrations within 24 months of operation); or a specific and short-term objective (e.g., demonst plume containment).	ration), a influent
List the short-term objectives and intermediate system goals:	
List the final system goals:	
What metrics (performance criteria) are being implemented to measure project progress towards meet goal?	ing each
What schedule has been established for measuring and reporting each metric?	
Based on new information or events since the last O&M review, is there a reason to re-evaluate the system goals? Note: this might be due to factors such as regulatory framework has been revised; better technology/strategy alternatives available; existing goals appear unrealistic; costs greater than originally anticipated; extent of plume has changed; new sources of contamination removed and/or discovered; or land use or ground water production near site has changed.  If yes, identify the remedy goals that should be re-evaluated, the rationale, and any plans for re-evaluating the goals.	Yes No
2. Review of changes to the CSM: The CSM is a combination of text and figures that described the combination of text and figures the combination of text and figures that described the combination of text and figures the combination of text and figures that described the combination of text and figures the combination of text and figures that described the combination of text and figures that described the combination of text and figures the combination of text and figur	ribe the

hydrogeologic system, the cause of the ground water impacts, and the fate and transport of the ground water contaminants. If monitoring data during active remediation do not agree with expectations, this could point to a gap in the conceptual model that should be addressed with a focused investigation. This does not imply a return to the "remedial investigation" phase. The CSM should evolve over time, including during active remediation, as more information about the site becomes available. The following questions may be used to evaluate the need for updating the CSM:

updating the CSM:	need for
Since the last time you completed the O&M checklist for this system, have new contaminant sources been identified or have previously suspected contaminant sources been eliminated from further consideration?	Yes No
If yes, use this space to comment.	
Since the last time you completed an O&M checklist for this system, have new contaminants been identified in the ground water that could affect remedy effectiveness?  If yes, use this space to comment.	Yes No
Based on your answers to the above questions, would it be useful to update the CSM at this time?	Yes

If yes, please describe any plans to update the CSM.	
B. Remedy Performance Assessment	
<b>1. Evaluate remedy effectiveness:</b> The following questions are intended to review whether the gropump-and-treat remedy is performing as intended and whether there are opportunities for optimizing the	
Plume Capture	
When addressing these questions, it may be useful to refer to <i>A Systematic Approach for Evaluation of C Zones at Pump and Treat Systems</i> (EPA 600/R-08/003, January 2008).	apture
Has a three-dimensional target capture zone been clearly defined?  If no, use this space to explain why not.	☐ Yes ☐ No
If not clearly defined, describe plans to better define the target capture zone.	
What lines of evidence have been used to evaluate actual capture achieved (e.g., flow budget and/or cap width calculations, potentiometric surface maps, water elevation pairs, concentration trends at wells be target capture zone, particle tracking in conjunction with ground water modeling, tracer tests)	
System Equipment/Structures (e.g., extraction wells, collection systems)	
Since the last time you completed an O&M checklist for this system, has the downtime associated with non-routine operations and maintenance exceeded expectations?  If yes, what systems have been responsible for unplanned downtime (e.g., extraction pumps, wastewater facilities)?	Yes No
If yes, what corrections have been or are being made to minimize downtime?	
Since the last time you completed the O&M checklist for this remedy/remedy component, have any major repairs to the pump-and-treat system(s) been required?  If yes, describe the repairs, their impact on progress toward remediation milestones, and actions taken to minimize similar repairs in the future.	Yes No
Since the last time you completed an O&M checklist for this system, have the extraction/injection well	Yes
rates changed significantly?	☐ No
If yes, describe the known/suspected source of the change, if identified.	
If yes, is the change reflective of a long-term condition and, if so, how will this be addressed in the O&M of the system?	
Since the last time an O&M checklist was completed for this system, have air emissions from the system met permit requirements, if any?	Yes No
If not, what is being done to meet the permit requirements?	□ N/A
Since the last time an O&M checklist was completed for this system, has effluent discharge met permit requirements?	Yes No
If not, what was (is) the problem and what was (or will be) done to correct it?	
Optimization	
Has an optimization study been conducted for this system?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If an optimization study has been conducted, have any of the optimization recommendations been implemented since the last time an O&M checklist was completed for this system?	Yes No N/A
If optimization recommendations have been implemented (during this or prior review periods), describe	•
results observed or conclusions drawn since the last time an O&M checklist was completed for this system	n.
If optimization recommendations have not been implemented, why not?	

2. Evaluate collection and analysis of performance monitoring data	
Do the approaches used to interpret ground water monitoring data (e.g., concentration trend analyses, plume contour and/or bubble maps, plume cross-sections, potentiometric surface maps) provide adequate information to assess the performance of the pump-and-treat remedy?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If no, describe plans, if any, to implement new approaches.	
Based on information collected since the last O&M review, is there a need to re-evaluate the parameters, sampling methods, sampling frequency, and monitoring locations used to evaluate remedy performance?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Are ground water data managed electronically?	☐ Yes
If no, use this space to explain why not.	☐ No
Are performance-monitoring reports of sufficient quality and frequency to evaluate the efficacy of the remedy and recognize protectiveness problems in time for effective action?  If no, what actions, if any, have been taken or are planned to address this situation?	☐ Yes ☐ No
C. Cost Effectiveness	
Are actual parameters consistent with design parameters (based on process monitoring)?  If not, how do they differ? (check all that apply)  Influent rate to treatment plant  Influent concentrations  Mass loading to the system  Removal efficiency for each treatment component  Air to water ratio (air strippers)  Materials usage (e.g., granular activated carbon (GAC), chemicals)  Other (please explain)  Based on the above comparisons, have any above ground systems or process monitoring procedures been evaluated/implemented to reduce costs?  If yes, please identify which of the following have been done to reduce costs. (check all that apply)  Ensuring proper maintenance and efficiency of equipment	Yes No
Replacing treatment components with alternate technologies (e.g., replace UV/Oxidation with air stripping) or more appropriately sized components  Eliminating unnecessary or redundant treatment components that are no longer needed (e.g., metals removal or GAC polishing system)  Changing discharge  Automating system to reduce labor  Optimizing ground water extraction rates and/or locations  Other (please explain)	
<b>D. Remedial Decisions:</b> Indicate which of the following remedial decisions is appropriate at the prese and provide the basis for the decision.	nt time
<ul> <li>No Change to the System</li> <li>Modify/Optimize System</li> <li>Modify/Optimize Monitoring Program</li> <li>IC Modifications</li> <li>Implementation of Contingency/Alternative Remedy</li> </ul>	
Basis for decision:	

# RECOMMENDED APPENDIX B. GROUND WATER MONITORED NATURAL ATTENUATION (MNA) REMEDIES

The following checklist is an abbreviated set of questions that could be used by an EPA RPM for annually reviewing the O&M of a MNA remedy for ground water. This MNA guidance checklist was developed using concepts presented in EPA guidance, *Performance Monitoring of MNA Remedies for* [volatile organic compounds] *(VOCs) in Ground Water* (EPA/600/R-04/027; April 2004). For some approaches, a more detailed remedy optimization study or remediation system evaluation (RSE) may be beneficial. For guidance on remedy optimization studies or RSEs, visit EPA's CLU-IN Website (www.cluin.org/) or the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Hazardous, Toxic and Radioactive Waste Center of Expertise RSE Website (www.environmental.usace.army.mil/)

or remediation system evaluation (RSE) may be beneficial. For guidance on remedy optimization system evaluation (RSE) may be beneficial. For guidance on remedy optimization system visit EPA's CLU-IN Website (www.cluin.org/) or the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Hazar Radioactive Waste Center of Expertise RSE Website (www.environmental.usace.army.mil/)	
A. Remedy Goals and Conceptual Site Model (CSM)	
<b>1. Review of the current remedy goals and measurements:</b> The remedy goals may be a ROD as remedial action objectives (RAOs) and preliminary remediation goals (PRGs). RAOs predescription of what the cleanup will accomplish (e.g., restoration of ground water). PRGs are the statements of the desired endpoint concentrations or risk levels, for each exposure route, that provide adequate protection of human health and the environment.	rovide a general ne more specific
List the intermediate system goals (RAOs and PRGs).	
List the final system goals (RAOs and PRGs).	
What metrics (performance criteria) are being implemented to measure project progress toward goal?	ls meeting each
What schedule has been established for measuring and reporting each metric?	
Based on new information or events since the last review, is there a need to re-evaluate the remedy goals? Note: this might be due to factors such as whether the regulatory framework has been revised, whether existing goals appear realistic, and if there have been changes to land use or ground water production near the site.  If yes, identify the remedy goals that should be re-evaluated, the rationale, and any plans for re-evaluating the goals.	Yes No
<b>2. Review of changes to the CSM:</b> The CSM for natural attenuation is the site-specific quantitative description of the migration and fate of contaminants with respect to possible regeologic, hydrologic, biologic, geochemical and anthropogenic factors that control contaminates because the CSM provides the basis for the remedy and monitoring plan, it can be reevaluated developed throughout the lifetime of the remedy. The following questions may be used to evaluating the CSM:	ceptors and the ant distribution. as new data are
Have new contaminant sources been identified or have previously suspected contaminant sources been eliminated from further consideration since the last time you completed the O&M checklist for this remedy?	Yes No
If yes, use this space to comment.	
Has there been an increase or decrease in size of the plume since the last time you completed an O&M checklist for this remedy?	☐ Increase ☐ Decrease
Comments (e.g., what is the nature and magnitude of the change).	☐ No change
Has there been an increase or decrease in vertical extents of the plume since the last time you completed an O&M checklist for this remedy?  Comments (e.g., what is the nature and magnitude of the change).	<ul><li>Increase</li><li>Decrease</li><li>No change</li></ul>
Has there been an increase or decrease in the maximum contaminant concentrations in the	☐ Increase
plume since the last time you completed an O&M checklist for this remedy?  Comments (e.g., have maximum concentrations changed for all or a subset of contaminants, which ones, and by how much).	Decrease No change
What types of reaction zone(s) are present in the plume (aerobic, anaerobic, or both)?	

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Based on information collected since the last O&M review, is there a need to number and/or location of monitoring points in the reaction zone(s)?	re-evaluate		Yes No
If yes, use this space to comment.			
Based on information collected since the last O&M review, is there a need to number and/or location of monitoring points in the target zones?		Yes No	
If yes, use this space to comment.			
Has there been a change in ground water flow rate or direction that may suggerequency or locations may need to be reevaluated?	jest monito		Yes No
If yes, use this space to comment.			
Is there evidence of periodic pulses of residual contamination from the vadose zone that suggest new monitoring points should be added in the vadose zone?			
If yes, use this space to comment.			
If there is reason to re-evaluate the number and location of monitoring points a indicated in above responses), identify any plans for re-evaluating the monitoring p		nitoring freq	luency (as
Based on your responses to the above questions, would it be useful to update the	CSM at this	s time?	Yes
If yes, please describe any plans to update the CSM.			∐ No
B. Remedy Performance Assessment			
<b>1. Review performance monitoring objectives.</b> The OSWER Directive 9200.4 eight specific objectives for the performance-monitoring program of an MNA remed		EPA, 1999a	i) provides
For each of the following eight performance monitoring objectives, identify which are currently being met but could benefit from further review, and which are curre			net, which
		Status	
Objective	Being met	Benefit from review	Not being met
1) Demonstrate that natural attenuation is occurring according to expectations			
2) Detect changes in environmental conditions that may reduce the efficacy of any of the natural attenuation processes			
3) Identify any potentially toxic and/or mobile transformation products			
4) Verify that the plume(s) is not expanding downgradient, laterally or vertically			
5) Verify no unacceptable impact to downgradient receptors			
6) Detect new releases of contaminants to the environment that could impact the effectiveness of the natural attenuation remedy			
7) Demonstrate the efficacy of ICs that were put in place to protect potential receptors			
8) Verify attainment of remediation objectives			
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8) Verify attainment of remediation objectives	Ee describe	(e.g., in w	hat way is
8) Verify attainment of remediation objectives If any of these objectives are not being met or would benefit from review, pleas			•

<b>2. Evaluate remedy effectiveness:</b> The following questions are intended to review whether the MNA reperforming as intended, or whether there may be a need to implement a contingency remedy. A contempedy is a cleanup technology or approach that functions as a backup remedy in the event that the remedy fails to perform as anticipated.	tingency
Since the last O&M review, have contaminant concentrations in soil or ground water at specified locations exhibited an increasing trend not originally predicted during remedy selection?	Yes No
Since the last O&M review, have near-source wells exhibited large concentration increases indicative of a new or renewed release?	Yes No
Since the last O&M review, have contaminants been detected in monitoring wells located outside of the original plume boundary or other compliance-monitoring boundary?	Yes No
Since the last O&M review, have analyses concluded that the rate of decrease of contaminant concentrations may be inadequate to meet the remediation objectives?	Yes No
Since the last O&M review, have changes in land and/or ground water use been suggested and or implemented that have the potential to reduce the protectiveness of the MNA remedy?	☐ Yes☐ No
Since the last review, have contaminants been identified in locations that pose or have the potential to pose unacceptable risk to receptors?	Yes No
If you answered yes to any of the above questions, did the information suggest the need for immediate action or is the condition being monitored to evaluate the need for future action?  Immediate a Monitored for N/A	
Use this space to comment.	
Based on your answers to the above questions, is there reason to evaluate the need for a contingent remedy at this time?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, use this space to comment.	
3. Evaluate collection and analysis of performance monitoring data	
What evidence has been used to evaluate actual plume dissipation (e.g., temporal trends in individu estimation of mass reduction, comparisons of observed contaminant distributions with predictions and milestones, comparison of field-scale attenuation rates)?	
Since the last O&M review, has it been necessary to modify the site-specific plans (e.g., Sampling and Analysis Plan, Quality Assurance Project Plan, Data Management Plan) to account for new information and/or unforeseen circumstances?	Yes No
If yes, use this space to comment.	
Does information collected since the last O&M review suggest the need to evaluate whether field parameters that are critical to an MNA evaluation (e.g., dissolved oxygen, redox potential) are being collected at appropriate monitoring points?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, use this space to comment.	
Do the approaches used to interpret ground water monitoring data (e.g., concentration trend analyses, plume contour and/or bubble maps, plume cross-sections, potentiometric surface maps) provide adequate information to assess the performance of the natural attenuation remedy?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If no, describe plans, if any, to implement new approaches.	
Does information collected since the last O&M review suggest the need to re-evaluate the ground water and soil-monitoring program to more accurately delineate and monitor the plume boundary?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, use this space to comment.	
Since the last O&M review, has it been necessary to modify the data quality assessment, including statistical tests (if appropriate), regression analysis, scatter plots, etc. to account for new information and/or unforeseen circumstances?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, use this space to comment.	
Are ground water data managed electronically?	☐ Yes
If no, use this space to explain why not.	☐ No

If statistical tests are used, do the data meet the assumptions of the statistical test?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If no, does this suggest the need to change the monitoring program or reevaluate the statistical approach?  Use this space to comment.  Evaluate monitoring program or representation of the program of the statistical approach.  Neither	
Is high variability in the data interfering with or preventing a meaningful interpretation of the data?	Yes No
If yes, could this situation be mitigated by increasing the density or frequency of sampling?	Yes No
Use this space to comment.	
Are performance-monitoring reports of sufficient quality and frequency to evaluate the efficacy of MNA as a remedy and recognize protectiveness problems in time for effective action?	Yes No
If no, what actions, if any, have been taken or are planned to address this situation?	
Are techniques or models being used to evaluate adequacy/redundancy of individual wells in the monitoring network, and adequacy/redundancy of sampling frequency? Note that techniques may range from statistical trend analysis to application of a decision support tool.	☐ Yes☐ No
If no, are there plans to evaluate the adequacy/redundancy of individual monitoring wells and/or sampling frequency?  Use this space to comment.	☐ Yes ☐ No
C. Cost Effectiveness: Key considerations in looking at cost-effectiveness of an MNA remedy are the	a list of
parameters for monitoring, as well as the frequency and location of monitoring. Decreases in monitoring parameters, frequency or locations may be appropriate and allow for reductions in project monitoring context example, decreases in monitoring frequency for certain parameters may be warranted if the remedy is produced according to expectations and trends are stable after evaluation of data from a sufficient number of monitoring frequency for certain parameters may be warranted if the remedy is produced according to expectations and trends are stable after evaluation of data from a sufficient number of monitoring.	sts. For oceeding onitoring sufficient
Does information collected since the last O&M review suggest opportunities to eliminate monitoring points (e.g., because of redundancy, unreliability, or changes in program objectives)?  If yes, use this space to comment.	☐ Yes☐ No
Does information collected since the last O&M review suggest opportunities to replace current analytical and sampling methods with less expensive methods and still meet the data quality objectives?  If yes, use this space to comment.	☐ Yes ☐ No
Can the analyte list be shortened to focus on the known contaminants of concern?	Yes No
<b>D. Remedial Decisions:</b> Following data evaluation, decisions are routinely made regarding the effective the MNA remedy, monitoring program, and ICs, and the need for contingency or alternative remed following remedial decisions are discussed in Section 4 of the EPA guidance document <i>Performance Monit MNA Remedies for VOCs in Ground Water</i> (EPA/600/R-04/027; April 2004). Indicate which of the following in the control of the control of the following in the control of the co	eness of ies. The itoring of
decisions is appropriate at the present time and provide the basis for the decision.	remediai
decisions is appropriate at the present time and provide the basis for the decision.  No Change to the Monitoring Program Modify/Optimize Monitoring Program IC Modifications Implementation of Contingency/Alternative Remedy Terminate Performance Monitoring and Initiate Verification Monitoring  Basis for decision:	Terrieulai

#### RECOMMENDED APPENDIX C. CONTAINMENT REMEDIES

The following checklist is an abbreviated set of questions that could be used by a EPA RPMs for an annual review of the O&M of a containment remedy and associated off-gas treatment system. This checklist focuses on engineered containment remedies, including landfill caps, covers, and vertical engineered barriers (VEB). Containment by other means such as hydraulic control and in-situ sediment containment remedies are not addressed by this appendix. See separate surface water/sediment remedy checklist for sediment remedies. Although the checklist includes items for off-gas systems, it focuses on off-gas collection. The checklist does not address off-gas management using combustion systems because such systems are uncommon at Superfund sites.

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A. Remedy Description, Goals and Conceptual Si	te Model (CSM)		
1. Review of the current remedy			
Identify the containment systems in place:			
<ul> <li>Cap/cover</li> <li>VEB</li> <li>Liner</li> <li>Landfill gas collection</li> <li>Landfill gas management</li> </ul>	<ul><li>□ Leachate detection</li><li>□ Leachate collection</li><li>□ Leachate management</li><li>□ Other (Describe: )</li></ul>		
Identify the O&M components:			
<ul> <li>Inspection</li> <li>Monitoring</li> <li>Testing</li> <li>Ground water monitoring</li> <li>Surface water monitoring</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Landfill gas monitoring</li> <li>□ Vapor intrusion monitoring</li> <li>□ Leachate monitoring</li> <li>□ Other (Describe: )</li> </ul>		
2. Review of the current remedy goals			
Identify the remedy goals (RAOs):  Prevent direct contact with a contaminant of the prevent migration of a contaminant source A drinking water aquifer  Surface water  Soil or other solid mediater or contaminated ground prevent migration of contaminated ground prevent vapor intrusion or indoor air expostant control off-gas Other remedy goals (Describe:	to:  Air (via wind-borne material)  Air (via volatilization)  Other (Describe:  water  ure		
What metrics (performance criteria) are being impleme goal?	ented to measure project progress towards meeting each		
What schedule has been established for measuring and	d reporting each metric?		
Based on new information or events since the last remedy goals? This might be due to factors such as whether existing goals appear to be realistic, and w ground water production near the site. If yes, identify rationale, and any plans for re-evaluating the goals.	hether the regulatory framework has been revised, land use or land use or		

<b>3. Review of changes to the CSM:</b> The CSM for a containment remedy is the sit quantitative description of the migration and fate of contaminants with respect to poselogic, hydrologic, biological, geochemical and anthropogenic factors that control Because the CSM provides the basis for the remedy and the post-closure maintenance model should be re-evaluated as new data are collected throughout the lifetime of the remedy.	ossible receptors contaminant dist ce plan or O&M p	and the ribution.
Does new information gathered or conclusions reached since the last time the O&M check completed indicate a change in understanding about the sources, types, migration, and for contaminants?		☐ Yes ☐ No
Note that indicators could include (1) the remedy not functioning as designed, contaminants or contaminant concentrations above the required levels at the point of unexpected trends in contaminant concentrations, (4) unexpected changes in the direction of ground water, (5) unexpected changes in off-gas characteristics, or evidence of vapor intrusion in nearby structures.	f compliance, (3) he flow rate or	
Based on new information and/or conclusions, would it be useful to update the CSM at the	is time?	Yes
If yes, please describe any plans to update the CSM.		∐ No
B. Remedy Performance Assessment		
This section contains a series of questions that can be used to help assess a containment and evaluate the collection and analysis of performance monitoring data. For each poter analysis should be performed to determine what, if anything should be done.		
<b>1. Evaluate remedy effectiveness:</b> The following questions are intended to review remedy is performing as intended or whether there is a need to implement a contingent remedy is a cleanup technology or approach that functions as a backup remedy in the remedy fails to perform as anticipated. A contingency remedy may be considered if there or more of the following three questions.  Note that additional measures and methods for evaluating the effectiveness of contains the little of the following three questions.	cy remedy. A cone e event that the e is a "yes" answe	tingency selected er to one
found in "EPA/USACE Draft Technical Guidance for RCRA/CERCLA Final Covers" (EPA Comprehensive 5-Year Review Guidance, Appendix D, Five-Year Review Site Inspection Directive 9355.7-03B-P).	-	
Since the last O&M review, has inspection or testing of the cap, cover, liner, or VEB in system is failing or could eventually fail?	dicated that the	☐ Yes ☐ No
Since the last O&M review, have changes in land, surface water, or ground water use been suggested and or implemented that have the potential to reduce the protectiveness of the containment remedy?		☐ Yes ☐ No
Since the last O&M review, have contaminants been identified in new location concentrations where they pose or have the potential to pose unacceptable risks to receptable risks to recept		☐ Yes ☐ No
If you answered yes to any of the above questions, did the information suggest the need for immediate action or is the condition being monitored to evaluate the need for future action?	☐ Immediate a ☐ Monitored fo ☐ N/A	
Use this space to comment.  What actions, if any, have been taken and/or are planned in response to the new information?		
<b>For VEB Only:</b> Note that additional measures and methods for evaluating VEB effective Evaluation of Subsurface Engineered Barriers at Waste Sites".	ness can be found	l in "EPA
Have bulk integrity tests been performed since the last O&M review?		Yes No

If bulk integrity tests have been performed since the last review, do test results indicate that need to evaluate possible breaches or excessive leakage in the VEB over the short and long terms?	Yes No N/A
If yes, what actions have been taken and/or are planned in response?	
Based on information collected since the last O&M review, do contaminant concentrations upgradient of the VEB indicate the need to evaluate actions to prevent possible contaminant migration?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, what actions have been taken and/or are planned in response?	
Does information collected since the last O&M review suggest the need to evaluate hydraulic controls as an additional measure to control possible contaminant migration around the VEB (answer N/A if hydraulic controls are already part of the remedy)?  If yes, what actions have been taken and/or are planned in response?	☐ Yes☐ No☐ N/A
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<b>For Off-Gas Collection Management Only:</b> Note that additional measures and methods for evaluating collection and management effectiveness can be found in "USACE Landfill Off-Gas Treatment, Thermal Checklist".	
Since the last O&M review for this system, have off-gas volume and composition been consistently within equipment design parameters?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If no, what actions have been taken and/or are planned in response?	
Since the last O&M review for this system, have off-gas system operational characteristics, such as required temperatures and pressures, been maintained within system design parameters?  If no, what actions have been taken and/or are planned in response?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Since the last time an O&M checklist was completed for this system, have off-gas emissions met all federal, state, and local regulatory requirements?  If no, what is being done to meet these requirements?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Based on information collected since the last O&M review, is there any evidence of unacceptable vapor	☐ Yes
intrusion in nearby structures?	☐ No
If yes, what actions have been taken and/or are planned in response?	
Based on information collected since the last O&M review, have concentrations of off-gases inside buildings or at the site fence line suggested the need to assess safety and human health threats? If yes, what actions have been taken and/or are planned in response?	☐ Yes☐ No
2. Evaluate collection and analysis of performance monitoring data	
Note that more detailed information about performance parameters can be found in the following documer  "EPA/USACE Draft Technical Guidance for RCRA/CERCLA Final Covers" (EPA 540-R-04-007)  "EPA Comprehensive 5-Year Review Guidance, Appendix D, Five-Year Review Site Inspection Check (OSWER Directive 9355.7-03B-P)  "USACE Landfill Off-Gas Treatment, Thermal Oxidation Checklist"  "EPA Evaluation of Subsurface Engineered Barriers at Waste Sites" (EPA 542-R-98-005; August 1998)	dist"
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Since the last O&M review, has it been necessary to modify planned inspections, sampling events, and sample analyses, as reflected in the site post-closure maintenance plan or O&M plans, to account for new information and/or unforeseen circumstances?	☐ Yes☐ No
If yes, use this space to comment.	
Has information collected since the last O&M review suggested the need to re-evaluate whether performance parameters that are critical to evaluation of the containment remedy are being collected at appropriate monitoring points?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, what actions have been taken and/or are planned in response?	

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Are ground water and off-gas system monitoring data managed electronically?				
If no, use this space to explain why not.				
Since the last O&M review, have monitoring data been analyzed to identify trends and their significance?				
If no, use this space to explain why not.				
Is high variability in the data interfering with or preventing a meaningful interpretation of the data?				
If yes, could this situation be mitigated by increasing the density or frequency of data collection?	☐ Yes			
Use this space to comment.	∐ No			
Are inspection and performance monitoring reports of sufficient quality and frequency to evaluate the efficacy of containment as a remedy and recognize protectiveness problems in time for effective action?				
If no, what actions, if any, have been taken or are planned to address this situation?				
C. Cost-Effectiveness				
If off-gas is currently being treated, can it be vented to the atmosphere without treatment in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations?	Yes No N/A			
If yes, has the possibility of discontinuing off-gas treatment been explored?	Yes			
Use this space to comment.	∐ No □ N/A			
If leachate is currently being collected and treated, is operation of the leachate system necessary for proper functioning of the containment system?				
If no, has the possibility of discontinuing leachate collection and treatment been explored?	Yes			
Use this space to comment.	∐ No □ N/A			
If hydraulic controls are being used in conjunction with a VEB, would the VEB provide passive containment without these controls?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A			
If yes, has the possibility of discontinuing the hydraulic controls been explored?	Yes			
Use this space to comment.	∐ No □ N/A			
<b>D. Remedial Decisions:</b> Indicate which of the following remedial decisions is appropriate at the present and provide the basis for the decision.	time			
No change to the remedy Modify or optimize remedy Modify or optimize O&M Modify ICs Implement contingency or alternative remedy Terminate inspections or monitoring  Basis for decision:				

# RECOMMENDED APPENDIX D. SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION/AIR SPARGING REMEDIES

• The following checklist is an abbreviated set of questions that EPA RPMs could use when conducting an annual review of the O&M of a soil vapor extraction (SVE), air sparging (AS), or combined SVE/AS remedy. This checklist does not represent the level of review used in EPA's five-year review process to determine whether the remedy is or will be protective of human health and the environment. However, the checklist does contain review elements regarding the performance of SVE and/or AS remedies that are consistent with the comprehensive five-year review process.

with the comprehensive five-year review process.
A. Remedy Description, Goals and Conceptual Site Model (CSM)
1. Review of the current remedy
Identify the current remedy:
☐ SVE
☐ AS
How many extraction wells or trenches are used for SVE (if applicable)?
How many injection wells are used for AS (if applicable)?
2. Review of the current remedy goals
List the remedy goals (RAOs):
☐ Prevent migration of a contaminant source to:
A drinking water aquifer
☐ Surface water
☐ Soil or other solid media
☐ Prevent migration of contaminated ground water
Restore ground water
☐ Other (Describe: )
List the short-term objectives and intermediate system goals.
List the long-term soil and ground water cleanup goals.
What metrics (performance criteria) are being implemented to measure project progress towards meeting each goal?
What schedule has been established for measuring and reporting each metric?
Based on new information or events since the last O&M review, is there a reason to re-evaluate the remedy goals? Note that this might be due to factors such as whether the regulatory framework has been revised, whether existing goals appear to be realistic, and whether there have been changes in land or ground water use near the site.  If yes, identify the remedy goals that should be re-evaluated, the rationale, and any plans for reevaluating the goals.

<b>3. Review of changes to the CSM:</b> The CSM for a SVE/AS remedy is the site-specific, qualitative and quantitative description of the migration and fate of contaminants with respect to possible receptors and the geologic, hydrologic, biological, geochemical and anthropogenic factors that control contaminant distribution. Because the CSM provides the basis for the remedy and the O&M plan, the model should be re-evaluated as new data are collected throughout the lifetime of the remedy.				
Does new information gathered or conclusions reached since the last time the O&M checklist was completed indicate a change in understanding about the sources, types, migration, and fate of contaminants?				
Note that indicators could include: (1) the remedy not functioning as designed, (2) unexpected contaminants or contaminant concentrations above the required levels at the point of compliance, (3) unexpected trends in contaminant concentrations, (4) unexpected changes in the flow rate or direction of ground water, (5) unexpected changes in off-gas characteristics, (6) unexpected evidence of vapor intrusion in nearby structures; or (7) identification of new sources.				
Based on new information and/or conclusions, would it be useful to update the CSM at this time?	Yes			
If yes, please describe any plans to update the CSM.	∐ No			
B. Remedy Performance Assessment				
This section contains a series of questions that can be used to help assess a SVE/AS remedy's effective evaluate the collection and analysis of performance monitoring data.	ness and			
<b>1. Evaluate remedy effectiveness:</b> The following questions are intended to review whether the remedy is performing as intended, or whether there is a need to implement a contingency remedy. A corremedy is a cleanup technology or approach that functions as a backup remedy in the event that the remedy fails to perform as anticipated. A contingency remedy may be considered if there is a "yes" a either of the following five questions.	ntingency selected			
Based on information collected since the last O&M review, do monitoring data indicate that the system is failing or could eventually fail to meet remedy goals?	Yes No			
Since the last O&M review, has the areal extent of contamination (or plume) increased in a manner not originally predicted during remedy selection?	Yes No			
Since the last O&M review, have monitoring data exhibited trends indicative of a new or renewed release?				
Since the last O&M review, have changes in land and/or ground water use been suggested and or implemented that have the potential to reduce the protectiveness of the SVE/AS remedy?				
Since the last O&M review, have contaminants been identified in new locations or at higher concentrations where they pose or have the potential to pose unacceptable risks to receptors?				
If you answered yes to any of the above questions, did the information suggest the need for immediate action or is the condition being monitored to evaluate the need for future action?  Immediate a Monitored for N/A				
Use this space to comment.				
What actions, if any, have been taken and/or are planned in response to the new information?				
Based on your answers to the above questions, is there reason to evaluate the need for a contingent remedy at this time?	☐ Yes ☐ No			
If yes, use this space to comment.				

Blowers and Piping					
Since the last O&M review for this system, has evidence of excessive corrosion of system components been observed?					
If yes, what actions have been taken and/or are planned in response?					
Since the last O&M review, if blowers are operated intermittently, do VOC concentrations increase after they are shut off?  How has this information been interpreted and what actions, if any, have been taken and/or are planned in response?					
Since the last O&M review, have blower operational characteristics, such as flow rate, pressure, and discharge temperatures, been consistently within equipment design parameters?					
If no, what actions have been taken and/or are planned in response?					
Since the last O&M review, if water is manually removed from the extraction blower water separator, has water accumulation been observed that could adversely impact blower operation?  If yes, what actions have been taken and/or are planned in response?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A				
Since the last O&M review, have all blowers, water separators, valves, and piping components been consistently operational?	☐ Yes ☐ No				
Has the downtime associated with non-routine operations and maintenance of the blowers since the last time you completed an O&M checklist for this system exceeded expectations?  If yes, what have been identified as the causes?  If yes, what corrections have been or are being made to minimize downtime?	☐ Yes ☐ No				
Does the operational history suggest that the preventative maintenance plan for the blowers needs to be re-evaluated?					
If yes, what actions have been taken and/or are planned in response?					
Soil Vapor Extraction System					
Identify the SVE system characteristics, if any, that have deviated consistently/frequently from op expectations since the last time an O&M checklist was completed for this system:  \[ \begin{align*} Vapor flow rates at one or more extraction wells \[ \begin{align*} Vapor compositions (VOCs, CO2, O2) at one or more extraction wells \[ \begin{align*} Pressures at one or more extraction wells \[ \begin{align*} Flow at blower (prior to entry of any dilution air if used) \] \[ \begin{align*} Accumulation of water in the water separator \end{align*}	erational				
Does this (do these) deviation(s) indicate a new condition since the last O&M review or an ongoing trend?  New condition since the last O&M review or an Ongoing trend?					
What has been identified as the cause for this (these) deviation(s)?					
What actions, if any, have been or are being taken in response to this (these) deviation(s)?					
Based on information collected since the last O&M review, is there any evidence of unacceptable vapor intrusion in nearby structures?  If yes, what actions have been taken and/or are planned in response?	☐ Yes ☐ No				

Since the last O&M review, have gas concentrations in the blower discharge been running close enough to the lower explosive limit (LEL) or shown an increasing trend that suggests the need for action? <i>Note that specific compound LEL data are available in many chemistry texts as well as National Fire Protection Agency guidelines.</i> What actions, if any, have been taken and/or are planned in response to the new information?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Air Sparging System	
Since the last O&M review of the AS system, have flow rates at each injection well been consistently maintained within system design parameters?  If no, what actions, if any, have been or are being taken in response?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Based on information collected since the last O&M review, have dissolved oxygen concentrations been maintained at a level sufficient to promote biological activity?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If no, what actions, if any, have been or are being taken in response?	
Since the last O&M review, are measured dissolved oxygen concentrations consistently indicative of good air/water contact rates (i.e., are concentrations near saturation)?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If no, what actions, if any, have been or are being taken in response?	
VOC Control System	
If the SVE system contains a VOC control device, has the device consistently met performance and compliance monitoring requirements (e.g., total VOC emission limits, specific compound limits, monitoring, air permit) since the last O&M review for this system?  If no, what actions have been taken and/or planned in response?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
Since the last O&M review, has the VOC control system consistently meet required destruction and removal efficiencies?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If no, what actions have been taken and/or planned in response?	
Since the last O&M review, have any violations of air permits been reported?  If yes, what has been or is being done to meet permit requirements?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Since the last time you completed an O&M checklist for this system, has the VOC control system been responsible for downtime associated with non-routine operations and maintenance?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes,	
<ul><li>What was (were) the cause(s) for unplanned shutdown(s)?</li><li>What has been done or is being done to minimize future downtime?</li></ul>	
Thermal Oxidizers	
Since the last O&M review for this system, have the operational characteristics (e.g., LEL history of feed gas, operating temperature, inlet flow, oxygen level in flue gas, fuel use) been consistently within equipment design parameters?  If no, what actions, if any, have been or are being taken in response?	☐ Yes☐ No☐ N/A
Since the last O&M review, has there been any indication of improper operation of flashback protection equipment (e.g., detonation arrestor, sealed drum)?  If yes, what actions have been taken and/or planned in response?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Since the last O&M review, has there been any indication of improper operation of safety interlocks (e.g., high LEL, high oxidizer temperature, loss of flame, low fuel pressures)?  If yes, what actions have been taken and/or planned in response?	☐ Yes ☐ No

If acid gases are present, have scrubber operations (e.g., scrubber liquid flow and pH, caustic use, scrubber blowdown and its treatment) been consistent with operational expectations since the last O&M review?				
If no, what actions have been taken and/or planned in response?				
Carbon Adsorbers				
Does the unit have humidity controls?	☐ Yes ☐ No			
Since the last O&M review for this system, have the operational characteristics (e.g., relative humidity data at adsorber inlet, adsorber operating temperature, carbon breakthrough, carbon change out history, operating velocity through adsorbers, adsorber discharge VOC data) been consistently within equipment design parameters?	☐ Yes☐ No☐ N/A			
If no, what actions, if any, have been or are being taken in response?				
Other Control Devices				
Since the last O&M review for this system, have the operational characteristics (e.g., biofiltration media surface loading rate, temperature controls, nutrient addition rate) been consistently within equipment design parameters?  If no, what actions, if any, have been or are being taken in response?	☐ Yes☐ No☐ N/A			
2. Evaluate collection and analysis of performance monitoring data				
Since the last O&M review, has it been necessary to modify sampling frequency relative to the original O&M plan to account for new information and/or unforeseen circumstances?  If yes, use this space to comment.	☐ Yes ☐ No			
Does soil and/or ground water data collected since the previous O&M review (e.g., VOCs concentrations, ground water elevations) suggest the need to re-evaluate other aspects of the monitoring program (e.g., monitoring locations, test parameters) to account for new information/unforeseen circumstances?  If yes, use this space to comment.	☐ Yes ☐ No			
<b>C. Cost Effectiveness:</b> Key considerations in looking at cost-effectiveness are the O&M costs incurred redesign and reduction in VOC removal rates. Opportunities to reduce costs can be potentially found in the dareas:				
Does information collected since the last O&M review suggest that flows could be redistributed to speed overall remediation (i.e., reduce or eliminate flow to/from wells where removals have reached near asymptotic conditions or where cleanup goals have been achieved)?  Use this space to comment.	☐ Yes ☐ No			
Does information collected since the last O&M review show evidence of diffusion-limited VOC movement?	☐ Yes ☐ No			
If yes, has the idea of modifying operation to pulsing (intermittent) been considered to speed overall remediation?	☐ Yes ☐ No			
Use this space to comment.				
Does information collected since the last O&M review show reduced VOC removal rates that might warrant a reduction in monitoring frequencies?  Use this space to comment.	☐ Yes ☐ No			
Does information collected since the last O&M review suggest that VOC recovery rates have been reduced to the extent that the VOC control device can be eliminated?  Use this space to comment.	Yes No N/A			

Does information collected since the last O&M review suggest that an alternative, lower cost VOC control device could be used?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Use this space to comment.	
Does information collected since the last O&M review suggest that operation of the VOC control device could be modified to reduce costs, e.g., operate thermal oxidizer at lower temperatures or lower dilution air flows (e.g., when LEL basis no longer requires design flow) or use larger carbon beds to reduce carbon supplier charges for change outs?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Use this space to comment.	
Has maintenance history since the last O&M review identified high-maintenance equipment that could be replaced?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Use this space to comment.	
<b>E. Remedial Decisions:</b> Indicate which of the following remedial decisions are appropriate at the present and provide a basis for each decision:	ent time
<ul> <li>□ Continue current remedy</li> <li>□ Goals have been achieved system can be shutdown in favor of MNA</li> <li>□ Modify/optimize remedial system(s) – use intermittent operation; optimize flows to/from wells to increased removals; increase use of sparging to promote biodegradation; add new wells if cont movement is indicated to areas currently not being influenced; implement cost reduction measures; more detailed evaluation of the contaminated zone using a tool such as Pneulog.</li> <li>□ Modify/optimize O&amp;M – increase monitoring to provide additional data for more definitive assessment a next review</li> <li>□ Modify ICs</li> <li>□ Implement contingent or alternative remedy</li> </ul> Basis for decision:	aminant conduct

### RECOMMENDED APPENDIX E. OTHER REMEDY TYPES/COMPONENTS

The following checklist is a set of questions that may be used by EPA RPMs for an annual review of the O&M of remedies and remedy components that are not addressed in Appendices A through D or the separate surface water/sediment remedy O&M checklist. This could include remedies/components that involve a technology that is not covered in these other materials or remedies/components where the O&M can be more efficiently reviewed using the more streamlined questions below. If the site includes multiple remedy components that are not covered elsewhere, multiple copies of this appendix, each applying to a different component or related set of components, could be completed.

using the more streamlined questions below. If the site includes multiple remedy components that covered elsewhere, multiple copies of this appendix, each applying to a different component or related components, could be completed.	are not
A. Remedy Description and Goals	
<b>1. Review of current remedy goals, and measurements</b> The following questions can be used to document basic information about the remedy and remedy provide context for the remainder of the information in this appendix.	goals to
Identify the remedy component(s) and associated systems and technologies being covered on this form:	
What are the intermediate and final system goals?	
What metrics (performance criteria) are being implemented to measure project progress towards meeti goal?	ng each
What schedule has been established for measuring and reporting each metric?	
Based on new information or events since the last O&M review of this system/technology, is there a need to re-evaluate the remedy goals?  If yes, identify the remedy goals that should be re-evaluated, the rationale, and any plans for re-evaluating the goals.	☐ Yes ☐ No
2. Review of changes to the CSM	
The following questions ask about changes in contamination and other field conditions that could affect the monitoring program, system operations, and other aspects of O&M. They provide context for questions in subsequent sections that ask whether action should be taken to modify the O&M program.	2
Do monitoring data indicate trends/patterns that are inconsistent with the CSM (or similar conceptual understanding of site conditions) that was used as the basis for design of the remedy/remedial component(s)?  If yes, use this space to comment.	☐ Yes ☐ No
Have there been changes in field conditions (e.g., change in land/water use) that differ significantly from the conditions incorporated in the CSM (or similar conceptual understanding of site conditions) that was used as the basis for design of the remedy/remedial component(s)?  If yes, use this space to comment.	☐ Yes ☐ No
Have new contaminant sources been identified?  If yes, please describe the new sources and how they are they being addressed:	Yes No
<b>B. Remedy Performance Assessment</b> This section contains a series of questions that can be used to help assess whether the monitoring program remediation systems O&M should be adjusted.	n and
1. Monitoring Program	
Describe changes to the monitoring program that have been made since the last time you completed the O checklist for this remedy component.	8M
Are the baseline data and post-remedy data adequate to perform statistical comparisons and evaluate remedy performance?  If no, what actions have been or are being taken in response?	☐ Yes ☐ No

Is high variability in the data interfering with or preventing a meaningful interpretation of the data?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, could this situation be mitigated by increasing the density or frequency of data collection? Use this space to comment.	☐ Yes ☐ No
Based on changes in contamination or field conditions (see A.2 of this appendix), is there reason to modify the monitoring program?  If yes, describe changes to the monitoring program that are most necessary.	☐ Yes ☐ No
Has the adequacy/redundancy and cost-effectiveness of the monitoring program been evaluated, including evaluation of sampling locations, frequency, sampling and analytical methods, monitoring parameters, and test methods?  Use this space to comment.	☐ Yes☐ No
Is there reason to modify the monitoring program to address inadequacies, remove redundancies, and/or improve its cost-effectiveness?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, describe changes to the monitoring program that would likely have the greatest impact.	
Do you have adequate documentation (e.g., good quality O&M reports) and tools (e.g., software) to effectively manage and interpret monitoring data?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If no, please explain how documentation and/or tools could be improved.	
2. System Operations	
Describe changes to system operations that have been made since the last time you completed the O&M for this remedy component.	checklist
Is (are) the remedial system(s) covered under this appendix performing as expected relative to the remediation milestones and goal(s)?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If no, what actions have been or are being taken in response?	
Do monitoring data indicate trends/patterns that are consistent with remedial design expectations?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If no, what actions have been or are being taken in response?	
Based on observations regarding contamination or field conditions (see A.2 of this appendix and previous questions in this section), is there reason to modify systems operations to improve remedy performance?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, describe changes to system operations that are most necessary.	
Has an optimization study been conducted for the remedy/remedy component(s)?  Use this space to comment.	☐ Yes ☐ No
Has the downtime associated with non-routine operations and maintenance exceeded expectations?	☐ Yes
If yes, what actions have been or are being taken to minimize downtime?	☐ No
Based on optimization and downtime considerations, is there reason to modify systems operations to improve remedy performance?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, describe changes to system operations that are most necessary.	
3. Maintenance	
Are routine maintenance activities adequate to ensure the reliable operation of the remedial system(s)?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If no, what changes to the maintenance program are most necessary?	110

Have any major repairs to the remedial system(s) been required since the last time you completed the O&M checklist for this remedy/remedy component?	☐ Yes ☐ No						
If yes, describe the repairs, their impact on progress toward remediation milestones, and actions taken to minimize similar repairs in the future.							
C. Cost Effectiveness							
Does information collected since the last O&M review suggest opportunities to reduce costs associated with equipment operations and maintenance?	☐ Yes ☐ No						
If yes, use this space to comment.	ì						
Does information collected since the last O&M review suggest opportunities to reduce costs associated with the monitoring program?	☐ Yes ☐ No						
If yes, use this space to comment.	ì						
<b>D. Remedial Decisions:</b> Indicate which of the following remedial decisions is appropriate at the present provide the basis for the decision.	time and						
No Change							
Modify/Optimize System							
Modify/Optimize Monitoring Program							
Modify/Optimize Monitoring Program Modify ICs							
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# Appendix E

Best Management Practices Manual

# Libby Asbestos Superfund Site – Operable Unit 8

# **Best Management Practices Manual**

This document has been prepared to outline best management practices (BMPs) for working within the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Libby Asbestos Superfund Site, operable unit 8 (OU8). Discussion of the contaminant of concern (COC), BMPs, and where to find additional information pertaining to OU8, including, previous response actions, investigations, institutional controls (ICs), and the Site-wide Human Health Risk Assessment are provided within this document.

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# Section 1 Introduction

During the time the former Vermiculite Mine operated, MT Highway 37, US Highway 2, and county roads (Kootenai River Road, County Highway 482 [Farm to Market Road], and County Highway 567 [Pipe Creek Road]) included in this OU were used to transport vermiculite and vermiculite products from the mine to the former Screening Plant and Export Plant as well as other mining-related areas. They were also used by workers and industries servicing the mine. Libby amphibole asbestos (LA) contaminated materials may also have been used as fill in some instances to build or repair the road embankments or in asphalt aggregate.

Numerous hard rock mines have operated in the Libby area since the 1880s, but the dominant impact to human health and the environment in the City of Libby has been from vermiculite

mining and processing. The vermiculite deposit that was mined by W.R. Grace (Grace) contains a distinct form of naturally occurring amphibole asbestos, LA, which is considered the COC at the Libby Asbestos Superfund Site. EPA initiated an emergency response action in November 1999 to address questions and concerns raised by citizens of the City of Libby regarding possible ongoing exposures to asbestos fibers as a



result of historical mining, processing, and exportation of asbestos-containing vermiculite.

### 1.1 Contaminant of Concern

As previously stated, the COC for the site is LA. Asbestos fibers are odorless and tasteless and vary in length, structure, and chemical composition. Fibers are microscopic and environmentally persistent. They do not evaporate, burn, or dry out from heat or degrade in water. The toxicity of different types of asbestos fibers varies, but chronic and acute exposure to any one of them potentially can be fatal. While some chrysotile asbestos is likely present, it is not due to Siterelated contamination and is not considered a COC. EPA actions at the Site have not focused on the removal of chrysotile or other forms of asbestos, only LA (EPA 2015b).



# Section 2 Best Management Practices

For the purposes of this document, BMPs are defined as means and methods when used in combination of developed ICs, provide guidance to owners (primarily the Montana Department of Transportation), contractors, and land users for the prevention or reduction in the release and exposure to LA within OU8. The information within this section is grouped by the type of activities anticipated to take place in OU8 which could cause a release and potential exposure to LA.

# 2.1 Excavation

Excavation for the purpose of this document refers to any action of cutting, digging, or scooping soil, debris, or other materials from the ground surface or below.

- 1. Notify the Montana One-call (U-Dig) utility locate service prior to any excavation activity. Do not attempt to excavate any area prior to all utilities having been marked. The BOH-ARP is notified by the U-Dig call center for all activities planned within OU8 boundaries.
- 2. Obtain most current information on where contamination was removed or may remain. This information will be available from EPA developed documents as listed within the Additional Information and Resources section of this document.
- 3. Review the most current version of the *Highways & Roadways Operable Unit 8 Institutional Control Implementation and Assurance Plan* for the site to ensure any listed proprietary controls, government controls, enforcement tools, or informational devices have been adhered to prior to conducting work. The appropriate landowner or agency should be notified of the work to ensure all clearance and applicable permits are completed prior to work commencing.
- 4. Notify the property owner well in advance and in writing of any known plans to conduct excavation activities. Do not attempt to conduct excavation activities without prior notification or consent from the property owner.
- 5. When excavating, keep soil, debris, or other materials wet during work to minimize dust migration or potential exposure to LA.
- 6. Wear protective clothing while performing excavation activities (i.e., appropriate disposable protective clothing, gloves, and booties). Dispose of protective clothing appropriately (i.e., double bag and dispose in household garbage; check with local landfill for disposal options).
- 7. Common dust or surgical masks are not effective against asbestos fibers! Wearing a respirator with a HEPA filter is the best way to avoid breathing asbestos fibers. However, they must be used properly or exposure may still occur. For information on respirator requirements, visit OSHA's website: <a href="https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/respiratoryprotection">www.osha.gov/SLTC/respiratoryprotection</a>.
- 8. If a change of condition occurs whereby LA contaminated material is observed, contact the property owner or entity responsible for operation and maintenance (0&M) for advice on how to manage the material.
- 9. See details regarding importing and exporting of materials below.



# 2.2 Construction Projects

The following lists BMPs for any new construction or road construction projects planned by either the owner, tenant, or contractor involved in the overall construction of any new area located within OU8. New construction refers to any site preparation for and construction of entirely new areas, new buildings, or new structures on the site which would cause a change of condition to the ground surface, regardless of size or scale.

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- 4. Notify the property owner well in advance and in writing of any known plans to conduct excavation activities. Do not attempt to conduct excavation activities without prior notification or consent from the property owner.
- 5. The entity performing new construction projects should develop a contingency plan for cases where contamination is encountered during activities.
- 6. Follow BMPs for importing and exporting of materials below.



# 2.3 Importing of Materials

Importing of materials refers to the hauling or transporting of any material for use, placement or disposal within the boundary of OU8. Materials include, but are not limited to, soil, rock, mulch, organic or non-organic debris, or building materials.

- 1. The property owner or entity responsible for maintaining control of the site should have a system in place to ensure importation of any materials does not have the potential to increase risk of LA exposure to land users. This may be satisfied through the use of a site management plan.
- 2. Any entity importing materials shall notify the property owner when importing materials to the site either through written documentation or in person. Entity shall make available any documentation confirming importation of materials will not have the potential to increase the risk of LA exposure or impact any protective remedy in place on the site.
- 3. Review IC plan for the site to ensure any listed proprietary controls, government controls, enforcement tools, or informational devices have been adhered to prior to conducting work.



# 2.4 Exporting of Materials

Exporting of materials refers to the hauling or transporting of any material for use, placement or disposal from OU8 to another location. Materials include, but are not limited to, soil, rock, mulch, organic or non-organic debris, or building materials.

- 1. The property owner or entity responsible for maintaining control of the site should have a system in place to ensure exportation of any materials does not have the potential to increase risk of LA exposure to areas outside of OU8. This may be satisfied through the use of a site management plan. The BOH-ARP may be contacted for assistance in evaluating materials for the potential presence of LA.
- 2. Materials being exported should be disposed of at a location approved to accept materials contaminated with LA.
- 3. Any entity exporting materials should notify the property owner when exporting materials from the site either through written documentation or in person. Entities should make available any documentation confirming exportation of materials will not have the potential to increase the risk of LA exposure or impact any protective remedy in locations outside of OU8.
- 4. Review IC plan for the site to ensure any listed proprietary controls, government controls, enforcement tools, or informational devices have been adhered to prior to conducting work.
- 5. Check local, state and federal regulations regarding disposal or transportation of material.



# Section 3 Additional Information and Resources

The following resources are available to provide information to property owners, tenants, land users, or visitors while conducting activities within OU8.

# Record of Decision for Libby Asbestos Superfund Site (EPA 2015b)

This document discusses the final decision and explains the remediation plan at the end of the detailed investigation and evaluation of conditions at the Site.

# Site-Wide Human Health Risk Assessment - Libby Asbestos Superfund Site (EPA 2015a)

The purpose of this document is to quantify potential human health risks from exposures to LA at the Site under current and future conditions. Results of this risk assessment are intended to help Site managers determine if past removal actions have been sufficient to mitigate risk, if additional remedial actions are necessary to address risks, and if so, which exposure scenarios would need to be addressed in future remedial actions.

# Remedial Investigation Report - Operable Unit 8 (HDR 2013)

This document describes the nature and extent of LA at OU8, focused primarily on investigative measures taken on the site to characterize the level of contamination.

# Remedial Action Report - Operable Unit 8 (CDM Smith 2017a)

This document details the remedial actions and activities that have taken place at OU8.

# Institutional Control Implementation and Assurance Plan - Operable Unit 8 (CDM Smith 2017b)

This document identifies activities that are designed to implement, maintain, and enforce ICs at OU8, and the organizations responsible for conducting these activities.

### Operation and Maintenance Plan - Operable Unit 8 (CDM Smith 2017c)

This document presents the administrative, financial, and technical details and requirements for inspecting, operating, and maintaining at OU8.

Libby - EPA Information Center 108 E 9<sup>th</sup> St Libby, MT 59923 (406) 293-6194

## Asbestos Resource Program

418 Mineral Ave Libby, MT 59923 (406) 291-5335 www.LCARP.com

The EPA Libby Asbestos Superfund Site website

http://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/cursites/csitinfo.cfm?id=0801744



# Other guidance resources may be found at the following:

https://www.epa.gov/superfund/asbestos-superfund-sites

https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/asbestos/

http://deq.mt.gov/Public/asbestos



# Section 4 References

CDM Smith. 2017a. Final Remedial Action Report, Operable Unit 8 – Highways, Libby Asbestos Superfund Site, Lincoln County, Montana. September.

\_\_\_\_\_. 2017b. Highways, Operable Unit 8, Institutional Control Implementation and Assurance Plan, Libby Asbestos Superfund Site. Libby Montana. Revision 0, September.

\_\_\_\_\_. 2017c. Draft Operations and Maintenance Plan, Highways, Operable Unit 8, Libby Asbestos Superfund Site, Lincoln County, Montana, October.

EPA. 2015a. Final Site-wide Human Health Risk Assessment, Libby Asbestos Superfund Site, Libby, Montana. November.

\_\_\_\_\_. 2015b. Record of Decision for Libby Asbestos Superfund Site, Libby and Troy Residential and Commercial Properties, Parks and Schools, Transportation Corridors, Industrial Park. Operable Units 4-8, Lincoln County, Montana. December.

HDR. 2013. Final Remedial Investigation Report, Operable Unit 8, Libby Asbestos National Priorities List Site, Libby Montana. June.



# Attachment 1



# **Reducing Asbestos Exposure**

# **Libby Amphibole Asbestos**

Libby amphibole asbestos (LA) is a naturally occurring mineral but should be handled with extreme care. Exposure to LA can lead to serious asbestos-related diseases, such as asbestosis, lung cancer or mesothelioma.

The health risk from exposure to all asbestos depends greatly on the amount of asbestos in the material you are disturbing and length of time that exposure lasts; therefore, precautions should be exercised to limit asbestos exposures.

# Vermiculite

Vermiculite was mined in Libby, MT and was commonly used in and around homes in Lincoln County for a variety of reasons, including as a soil additive, construction aggregate and attic insulation. If vermiculite is present, it may contain LA.

If you encounter vermiculite on your property, it is possible that it is contaminated with asbestos. The disturbance of vermiculite that is contaminated with asbestos may cause the LA to become airborne.

Cover or wet the vermiculite and call the ARP Hotline. The ARP will help determine if the vermiculite is contaminated with LA.

You may come into contact with asbestos on your property even if the EPA has investigated the property or completed a removal.

High efficiency particulate air, **HEPA**, filter vacuums are effective for asbestos containing vermiculite insulation. Never vacuum vermiculite with a regular vacuum. Also, use a HEPA vacuum for household cleaning and to remove dust from inaccessible areas, such as under carpets, appliances or furniture.



# **ARP Hotline – 406-291-5335**

Call if you plan to remodel, demolish, excavate OR if you find vermiculite on your property. The Asbestos Resource Program (ARP) will send personnel out to inspect the situation, provide information, and make recommendations. The ARP may also serve as a liaison during those activities.

# You may come into contact with Libby amphibole asbestos during:

Renovating – removing old carpets or drywall, installing ceiling fans or removing wall outlets, taking down walls, putting in windows

Routine landscaping – gardening, rototilling or mowing

Extensive digging – septic systems, sprinklers or water lines

# Should I be worried about asbestos if the EPA has already been to my property?

Even though the EPA has visited your property, you could still come into contact with asbestos.

Call the ARP for more information on the investigation and removal activities completed by the EPA and for details about the asbestos that may remain on your property.

REMEMBER, regular dust masks are not effective in reducing exposure to LA.

# **Reducing Asbestos Exposure**



Vermiculite in soil



Processed vermiculite often seen as insulation.

# **Additional Resources**

### **Lincoln County Asbestos Resource Program**

418 Mineral Avenue Libby, MT 59923 406-283-2442 www.lcarp.org

# United States Environmental Protection Agency

Information Center 108 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St Libby, MT 59923 406-293-6194 www2.epa.gov/region8/libby-asbestos

### Montana

**Department of Environmental Quality** 

Asbestos Control Program 406-444-5300

# Steps to take while renovating or demolishing:

- Do contact the ARP Hotline before renovating or demolishing.
- Do check local, state and federal regulations regarding renovation and demolition of buildings.
- Do use point-of-cut ventilation techniques when pulling, cutting or accessing behind boards or wall coverings.
- Do use a HEPA vacuum at the point of access or disturbance to minimize dust migration and lessen potential exposure.

### **Demolition:**

- Do use water to moisten the area being demolished to minimize dust.
- Do rinse off any equipment within the work area.
- Do keep all debris wet and covered with a tarp during transportation.
- Do dispose of debris according to local, state and federal laws including landfill specific requirements.

# Steps to take while working outside of your home:

- Do water your lawn often, a healthy lawn reduces dust.
- Do rinse gardening tools outside within your work area after every use.
- Do wipe your feet and/or take your shoes off at the door and leave them outside, if possible. Try not to bring any contaminated clothing or material back inside.
- Do wash your hands outdoors after any yard work, if possible.
- Do not disturb areas where you can see vermiculite. If it is a place you intend to work in, cover the vermiculite and call the ARP Hotline.
- Do not dig, cultivate, mow, rake or rototill your yard or garden when it is dry and dusty.
- Do not bring dusty or dirty things inside.

CALL THE ARP HOTLINE IF YOU SEE ANY VERMICULITE ON YOUR PROPERTY, EVEN IF YOU ARE UNSURE.



# **Contractors & Tradesmen Working Indoors**

What To Do If You Find Vermiculite and Asbestos In A Home or Business

Lincoln County Asbestos Resource Program (ARP) - (406) 291-5335 EPA Information Center— 108 E. 9th Street, Libby, MT 59923— (406) 293-6194

Revised: January 2014



# **Vermiculite in Libby & Troy**

For several decades, vermiculite was commonly used in and around homes in Lincoln County for a variety of applications, including as a soil additive, construction aggregate, and attic insulation.

If vermiculite is present, it might contain Libby Amphibole (LA) asbestos which is toxic. Exposure to LA could lead to such serious diseases as asbestosis, lung cancer, or mesothelioma. It will take several years for EPA to complete its cleanup, and workers might encounter vermiculite during that time and even after EPA has finished its work. It is not possible for EPA to remove (or to even know about) all the vermiculite in the area. In some cases, vermiculite might be intentionally left in sealed walls, home foundations, and other relatively inaccessible areas. Remodeling, repair, electrical, or plumbing work might uncover vermiculite that was otherwise sealed in place. Always ask the homeowner if they know where

you might find vermiculite.

It is possible that you might unexpectedly find vermiculite after starting your work, perhaps by cutting into a wall (drill a pilot test hole first) or uncovering something that EPA or the homeowner did not know about. EPA strongly cautions you not to work with vermiculite or disturb it any way.

Improper work practices can contaminate the interior of the home or building where you are working! It is your responsibility to know the state and local laws and

regulations.



Raw and Popped Vermiculite Ore

# **Precautionary Steps to Take** So You Can Get On With Your Job

If you encounter vermiculite, it is likely that you will be exposed to Libby Amphibole asbestos. If you choose to continue working, take the following minimal steps:

- 1. Always notify the resident. If they haven't already told you about it, they might not know.
- 2. For very small quantities, such as a handful, or if you are unsure as to whether it's vermiculite or not, you can call the Asbestos Resource Program (ARP). If you do not want to call the ARP, as a tion, use a damp paper towel to scoop up the material into a sealable plastic bag or jar. Then use another damp towel to wipe down the area. Place the used paper towels in the container and throw everything away in a proper receptacle (a covered trash can is OK).
- 3. Never vacuum vermiculite with a regular vacuum. HEPA filter vacuums are effective on small quantities of vermiculite. Residents who have had a cleanup done should have a HEPA vacuum. If you do not have access to a HEPA vacuum, call the EPA Information Center.
- 4. For larger quantities, such as what you might find in a breached wall, or if you are unsure as to whether it's vermiculite or not, do not disturb the material. Do not vacuum large amounts of vermiculite - even with a HEPA vacuum. Isolate and cover the area and call the ARP immediately.
- 5. No matter the volume or location of known or suspected vermiculite, contact the ARP Please notify the ARP early to protect yourself and your workers and to ensure the most appropriate action is taken.

Libby Asbestos is toxic. It should be avoided or handled with extreme care. Exposure to Libby Amphibole asbestos has resulted in disease in workers and non-workers who have had contact with contaminated materials. Take care not to bring any contaminated clothing or material back to your home or business. Treat any asbestos containing material as regulated material and comply with all state and local regulations. The health risk from exposure to all asbestos depends greatly on the amount of asbestos in the material you are disturbing and how long the exposure lasts. There is no known threshold risk level for asbestos-related materials, and any exposure will increase the risk of asbestos-related disease. If you take the basic precautions outlined in this fact sheet, your risk from exposure will be less.

# Who Can I Contact With Questions About Asbestos?

Common dust or surgical masks are not effective against asbestos fibers! Wearing a respirator with a HEPA filter is the best way to avoid breathing asbestos fibers. However, they must be used properly or exposure may still occur. For information on respirator requirements, visit OSHA's website: <a href="https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/respiratoryprotection">www.osha.gov/SLTC/respiratoryprotection</a>.



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The EPA, the ARP, or DEQ might send personnel out to inspect a situation involving vermiculite or LA. That guidance might include advising the owner to allow EPA or a licensed asbestos contractor or inspector to take samples, conduct cleanup, or take other special measures to reduce the risk of asbestos exposure. A list of licensed contractors and inspectors can be found at the Information Centers.

# Montana Department of Environmental Quality—Asbestos Control Program (406) 444-5300

Montana law requires that employers hire a licensed inspector to determine if asbestos is present before doing any work. Asbestos that is not associated with the Libby vermiculite mine is still regulated by the Montana DEQ. If non-Libby asbestos is found, it should be dealt with according to Montana regulations. Explore Montana DEQ's Asbestos web site at:

www.deq.mt.gov/Asbestos

Please learn about the risks of asbestos exposure and basic precautions by reviewing the fact sheets available at the EPA **Information Center** or the website listed below:

- **HEPA Vacuum Cleaner Program** *Revised January*, 2014. Provides information on the effectiveness of HEPA vacuums and describes their role in Libby's cleanup.
- Lincoln County Do-It-Yourselfers Revised January, 2014.
- Contractors & Tradesmen Working Outdoors Revised January, 2014.
- **Demolition Activities** Revised *January*, 2014.
- Libby and Troy Residents: Vermiculite or Asbestos In or Around Your Home or Business Revised
- January, 2014
- Yard Work and Gardening Activities Revised July 2013

Explore the EPA web site and its links at: http://www2.epa.gov/region8/libby-asbestos



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Revised January 2014



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Always ask the homeowner if they know where buried vermiculite might be. EPA might have information on the property based on the investigation, design, and cleanup that has been completed. When calling EPA, you will need to provide the address, location of the work, and the likely depth of excavation.

It is possible that you might unexpectedly find vermiculite after starting your work, perhaps by uncovering it while doing any major outdoor project. EPA strongly cautions you not to disturb it in any way that might cause LA to become airborne.

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- Stop work to assess the volume of vermiculite. Cover or wet down the material, if possible.
- 3. For very small quantities of vermiculite, such as handful, EPA recommends you wet the area and contact the Asbestos Resource Program (ARP) for appropriate evaluation and possible removal. If possible, leave it alone. If the material is buried, leave it there. It's better to have it buried than at the surface.
- For larger quantities of vermiculite such as when it was used as fill around pipes, around other structures, or as bulk fill (you may have sparkling soil) do not to disturb the material – call the Asbestos Resource Program (ARP) immediately.
- No matter the volume or location of known or suspected vermiculite, contact the ARP. Lincoln County, and EPA are considering a formal notification requirement. Please notify us early to protect yourself and your workers and to ensure the most appropriate action is taken.

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- Contractors & Tradesmen Working Indoors Revised January 2014
- **Demolition Activities** January 2014
- Libby and Troy Residents: Vermiculite or Asbestos In or Around Your Home or Business Revised January 2014
- Yard Work and Gardening Activities January 2014

Explore the EPA web site and its links at: http://www2.epa.gov/region8/libby-asbestos



# **Demolition Activities**

# What To Do If You Are Tearing Down Structures That Contain Vermiculite or Asbestos

Lincoln County Asbestos Resource Program (ARP); Libby and Surrounding Area – (406) 291-5335 EPA Information Center - 108 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St.; Libby, MT 59923 - (406) 293-6194

Revised: January 2014

# **Vermiculite In Libby & Troy**



For several decades, vermiculite was commonly used in and around homes in Lincoln County for a variety of applications, including as a soil additive,

Raw and Popped Ore

construction aggregate, and attic insulation.

If vermiculite is present, it might contain Libby Amphibole asbestos (LA). Exposure to LA could lead to serious diseases such as asbestosis, lung cancer, and mesothelioma. It will take several more years for EPA to complete the cleanup, and workers might encounter vermiculite during that time or even after EPA has finished its work. It is not possible for EPA to remove (or to even know about) all the vermiculite in the area. In some cases, vermiculite might be intentionally left in sealed walls, home foundations, and other relatively inaccessible areas. Demolition of any existing structure in the Libby/Troy area might uncover vermiculite either before or after EPA has completed its work.



It is possible that you might unexpectedly find vermiculite after starting your demolition project. EPA strongly cautions you not to disturb it in any way that might cause LA to become airborne.

# Precautionary Steps To Take So You Can Get On With Your Job

## **Before Demolition:**

- 1. Contact the Asbestos Resource Program (ARP) for a free assessment of the situation.
- 2. Check <u>local</u>, <u>state and federal regulations</u> regarding demolition of buildings.
- 3. Check with the local landfill to learn if inspection of your debris is required.

# **During Demolition:**

- Use water to moisten the area being demolished to minimize dust generation.
   There should be no offsite migration of dust during demolition activities.
- 2. <u>Stop work to assess the volume</u> of vermiculite. Call the ERS immediately if something unusual is encountered.
- 3. <u>Utilize point-of-cut ventilation techniques</u> when pulling, cutting, or accessing behind boards or wall coverings, use a HEPA vacuum at the point of access or disturbance to minimize dust migration to lessen potential exposure.
- 4. <u>For a small quantity</u> of vermiculite, such as a very isolated area or a few random flakes, EPA recommends you wet and place it in a sealable plastic bag (remember to rinse any tools used to transfer vermiculite) and put the bag in the trash.

### **After Demolition:**

- 1. <u>Keep larger quantities of vermiculite wet</u> vermiculite that was used as fill around pipes, in walls, as bulk fill, etc.
- 2. Keep all debris wet and covered with a tarp during transportation.
- 3. Dispose of debris according to local, state, and federal laws.



Libby Amphibole asbestos (LA) should be avoided or handled with extreme care. Exposure to LA has resulted in disease in workers and non-workers who have had contact with contaminated materials. Take care not to bring any contaminated clothing or material back to your home or business. Treat any asbestos containing material as regulated material and comply with all state and local regulations. There is no known threshold risk level for asbestos-related materials, and any exposure will increase the risk of asbestos-related disease. The health risk from exposure to all asbestos depends greatly on the amount of asbestos in the material you are disturbing and how long the exposure lasts. If you take the basic precautions outlined in this fact sheet, your project will be completed with minimal exposure to LA.

Common dust or surgical masks are not effective against asbestos fibers! Wearing a respirator with a HEPA filter is the best way to avoid breathing asbestos fibers. However, they must be used properly or exposure may still occur. For information on respirator requirements, visit OSHA's website: www.osha.gov/SLTC/respiratoryprotection.



# Who Can I Contact With Questions About Asbestos?

EPA Information Center - (406) 293-6194 ARP for the Libby area – (406) 291-5335

EPA, the ARP, or DEQ may send personnel out to inspect a situation involving vermiculite or LA. They might advise the owner to allow EPA or a licensed asbestos contractor or inspector to take samples, conduct cleanup, or take other special measures to reduce the risk of asbestos exposure. A list of licensed inspectors and contractors can be found at the Information Centers.

Montana Department of Environmental Quality - Asbestos Control Program (406) 444-5300

Montana law requires that employers hire a licensed inspector to determine if asbestos is present before doing any work. Asbestos that is not associated with the Libby vermiculite mine is still regulated by Montana DEQ. If non-Libby asbestos is found, it should be dealt with according to Montana regulations. Visit Montana DEQ's Asbestos web site at: <a href="https://www.deq.mt.gov/Asbestos">www.deq.mt.gov/Asbestos</a>

Please learn about the risks of asbestos exposure and basic precautions by reviewing the fact sheets available at the **Information Centers** or the website listed below:

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# **Libby and Troy Residents**

# Vermiculite or Asbestos In or Around Your Home or Business

EPA Information Center • 108 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Libby, MT 59923 • 406-293-6194 Lincoln County Asbestos Resource Program (ARP) • 406-291-5335

Revised: January 2014



# Vermiculite in Libby & Troy

Vermiculite was used in a variety of forms for decades in and around Libby homes as a soil additive, a lightweight aggregate for concrete,

and attic insulation, among other things.

If vermiculite is present, it may contain Libby asbestos. It will take several years to complete the cleanup and people may encounter vermiculite during that time. Vermiculite will continue to be discovered from time to time long into the future and even after cleanup by the EPA. It is not possible for EPA to remove all the contaminated vermiculite. Vermiculite may be left in sealed walls, home foundations, and other relatively inaccessible areas.

Some encounters with vermiculite will be small and may include:

- minor renovations removing old carpets, installing ceiling fans, or removing wall outlets
- minor landscaping replacing bedding for plants and mowing

There will be times when a large pocket of vermiculite is discovered. Such situations may include:

- **intrusive digging** septic systems, sprinklers, and water lines.
- major renovations taking walls down, putting in windows, etc.
- **fires** fire-fighting and subsequent cleanup.

# **Protect Yourself**

Hiring a licensed asbestos contractor to clean up vermiculite spilled while doing home

improvements is recommended to minimize your exposure.

# Take Steps to Avoid Exposure

- For a small quantity, such as a handful of vermiculite, wet wipe it and throw it away. For a small quantity of vermiculite in surface soil, such as a very isolated area or a few random flakes, we recommend you wet it and have it removed by contacting the Asbestos
   Resource Program (ARP). If possible, leave it alone. If the material is buried, keep it that way it's better buried than at the surface.
- 2. HEPA filter vacuums are effective on small quantities of vermiculite indoors. Never vacuum vermiculite with a regular vacuum. HEPA vacuums and wet wiping can be used periodically to remove any small amounts of asbestos containing dust that is introduced into your home or to vacuum dust from previously inaccessible locations such as under recently removed carpets, appliances, and furniture.
- 3. For larger quantities of vermiculite, such as what you may find in a breached wall, do not disturb the material. Do not vacuum large amounts of vermiculite even with a HEPA vacuum.
- 4. Dry mowing or rototilling in yards and gardens, where vermiculite is found may cause asbestos to become airborne. If possible, sprinkle your yard or garden with water before mowing or tilling.
- 5. If you encounter a large amount of vermiculite in soil that cannot be avoided, such as when it was used around pipes, around other structures, or as bulk fill you may have

# sparkling soil – **do not disturb the material.**Contact ERS for appropriate evaluation and removal.

- 6. If you are planning on remodeling your home, find out if there is vermiculite in the attic or walls, or any of the materials that will be taken out, disturbed, or are likely to create dust. You can call the EPA Information Center at 293-6194, if you are unsure. You should also be aware of specific regulations regarding
- remodeling, demolition, and disposal that may impact your work, especially big projects.
- 7. Renters You have a right to know about any adverse conditions at your rental. Ask your landlord about the presence of vermiculite. If you do not receive the information you request, contact the EPA Information Center or Lincoln County Sanitarian.

Libby asbestos is toxic. It should be avoided or handled with extreme care. The health risk from exposure to all asbestos depends greatly on the amount of asbestos in the material you are disturbing and how long the exposure lasts. Frequent exposures to high levels of asbestos for lengthy periods of time pose a significant risk. Little disturbance of small amounts of vermiculite insulation or other products containing a low level of asbestos poses a smaller risk, especially if you take basic precautions.

# Who Can I Contact With Questions About Asbestos?

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# Yard Work and Gardening Activities



What To Do If You Are Working In Your Yard and Come Across Soil That Contains Vermiculite or Asbestos

Revised: January 2014

# **Vermiculite In Libby & Troy**

For several decades, vermiculite was commonly used in and around homes in Lincoln County for a variety of applications, including as a soil additive, construction aggregate, and attic insulation. If vermiculite is present, it might contain Libby Amphibole asbestos (LA).

Exposure to LA could lead to serious diseases such as asbestosis, lung cancer, and mesothelioma. It will take several more years for EPA to complete the cleanup, and property owners might encounter vermiculite during that time or even after EPA has finished its work. It is not possible for EPA to remove (or to even know about) *all* the vermiculite in the area.

It is possible that you might unexpectedly find vermiculite after starting your yard work or gardening activities. If you do, EPA strongly cautions you not to disturb it further and cause LA to become airborne.

# Precautionary Steps To Take While Working In Your Yard

# The Do's:

- 1. **Do** water often. A healthy lawn reduces dust and contact with bare soil.
- 2. **Do** mow your lawn or roto-till your garden when it's damp—not when it's dry or dusty.
- 3. **Do** rinse off any rental equipment within your work area before returning the equipment.



- 4. **Do** rinse off gardening tools outside within your work area after every use.
- 5. **Do** wipe your feet and/or take your shoes off at the door and leave them outside, if possible.
- 6. **Do** wash your hands outdoors after any yard work, if possible.
- 7. **Do** call the **Lincoln County Asbestos Resource Program (ARP)** at no cost to you if you see ANY vermiculite on your property, even if you are unsure. While waiting for ARP to arrive, take precautions to not disturb the area.

# The Don'ts:

- Don't disturb areas where you can see vermiculite. If it's a place you intend to work in, cover the vermiculite and call ARP
- 2. **Don't** dig, cultivate, mow, rake or roto-till your yard or garden when it's dry and dusty.
- 3. **Don't** bring dusty or dirty things inside.

The photo on the immediate right is an example of raw vermiculite in soils. When heated, vermiculite exfoliates (or pops), forming a lightweight material ideal for packing, insulation, and as a soil additive as shown in the far right photo.



Un-exfoliated



**Exfoliated** 

# **Cautions regarding Libby Amphibole:**

- LA should be avoided or handled with extreme care.
- Exposure to Libby Amphibole asbestos has resulted in disease in workers and nonworkers who have had contact with contaminated materials. Take care not to bring any contaminated clothing or material back to your home or business.
- Treat any asbestos containing material as regulated material and comply with all state and local regulations.

There is no known threshold risk level for asbestos-containing materials, and any exposure will increase the risk of asbestos-related disease. The health risk from exposure to **all** asbestos depends greatly on the amount of asbestos in the material you are disturbing and how long the exposure lasts. If you take the basic precautions outlined in this fact sheet, your project will be completed with minimal exposure to LA.

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# **Indoors:**



**DO** wipe your feet and/ or take your shoes off at the door and leave them outside, if possible.



**DO** wash your hands after gardening, playing outdoors, or doing other messy things.



**DO** vacuum frequently, and only use a HEPA\* vacuum.

\*High Efficiency Particulate Air - learn more about these vacuums at the EPA Info Center



**DO** call the Lincoln County Asbestos Resource Program (ARP) if you see ANY vermiculite on your property (406) 291-5335.

If you are unsure about material you are bringing onto your property, call the **ARP** to have it sampled first.



**DON'T** bring dusty or dirty things inside.



**DO** keep your pets clean.



**DO** use a HEPA vacuum to remove dust from clothing, furniture, drapes, etc.



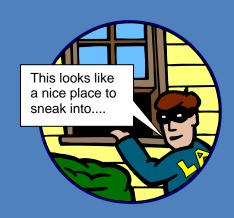
Photo of raw (left) and processed (right) vermiculite. View samples at the EPA Info Center.



Libby Asbestos Superfund Site EPA Information Center 108 E. 9<sup>th</sup> ST., Libby, MT 59923 (406) 293-6194

# Don't

let an unwanted visitor into your home!!



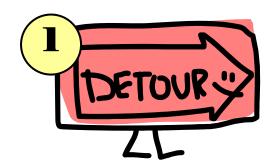
13 simple steps to protect yourself and your loved ones from Libby Amphibole Asbestos (LA)

Reducing contact with disturbed, contaminated soil is important in reducing your exposure to LA. LA poses the greatest threat when it is airborne.

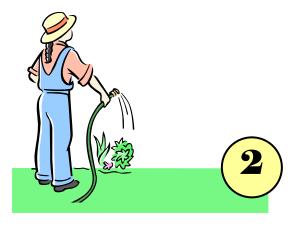
For a lower risk of exposure, focus on keeping contaminated soil from being disturbed in your yard and trapped in your home.

This flyer gives some common sense tips on avoiding exposure to LA on your property.

# **Outdoors:**



**DON'T** disturb areas where you can see vermiculite (see picture on back). Find other places to play or garden.



**DO** water often. A healthy lawn reduces dust and contact with bare soil.



**DO** mow your lawn when it's damp – not when it's dry and dusty.



**DON'T** dig, cultivate, or roto-till your garden soil when it is dry and dusty, and do suppress any dust with water.



**DO** rinse off gardening tools outside.



**DON'T** buy or accept free topsoil or fill from an unknown source. If you are unsure, call the EPA Info Center.

# Appendix F

**O&M Cost Estimate** 

### **TABLE PV-OU8 O&M**

# PRESENT VALUE ANALYSIS

### **Opinion of Probable Cost**

# O&M Cost Estimate

Site: OU8

Location: Lincoln County

Phase: O&M Base Year: 2018

Year <sup>1</sup>	Annual Site Maintenance and Monitoring Costs	Periodic Costs (Major Breach Repair)	Total Annual Expenditure <sup>2</sup>	Discount Factor (7.0%)	Present Value <sup>3</sup>
2017	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0000	\$0
2018	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.9346	\$13,178
2019	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.8734	\$12,315
2020	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.8163	\$11,510
2021	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.7629	\$10,757
2022	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.7130	\$10,053
2023	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.6663	\$9,395
2024	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.6227	\$8,780
2025	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.5820	\$8,206
2026	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.5439	\$7,669
2027	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.5083	\$7,167
2028	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.4751	\$6,699
2029	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.4440	\$6,260
2030	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.4150	\$5,852
2031	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.3878	\$5,468
2032	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.3624	\$5,110
2033	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.3387	\$4,776
2034	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.3166	\$4,464
2035	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.2959	\$4,172
2036	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.2765	\$3,899
2037	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.2584	\$3,643
2038	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.2415	\$3,405
2039	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.2257	\$3,182
2040	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.2109	\$2,974
2041	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.1971	\$2,779
2042	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.1842	\$2,597
2043	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.1722	\$2,428
2044	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.1609	\$2,269
2045	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.1504	\$2,121
2046	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.1406	\$1,982
2047	\$14,100	\$0	\$14,100	0.1314	\$1,853
TOTALS:	\$423,000	\$0	\$423,000		\$174,963
	TOTAL PRES	SENT VALUE OF OU	8 O&M COST		\$170,000

### Notes:

For cost estimating purposes, O&M costs are presented for a 30-year period after determination of O&F.

Costs presented are expected to have an accuracy between -30% to +50% of actual costs, based on the scope presented and methodology used for estimating.

This cost accuracy range is consistent with EPA's Remedial Design/Remedial Action Handbook (EPA 1995) for preliminary development of O&M activities and responsibilities.

Duration is assumed to be 30 years for present value analysis.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 2}\,$  Total annual expenditure is the total cost per year with no discounting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Present value is the total cost per year including a 7.0% discount factor for that year. See Table PV-ADRFT for details.

<sup>4</sup> Total present value is rounded to the nearest \$10,000. Inflation and depreciation are excluded from the present value cost.

		T	ABLE CS-OU8	O&M	
Opinion of Probable Cost  O&M Cost Estimate	•		•		COST ESTIMATE SUMMARY
O&M Cost Estimate					
Site:         OUB           Location:         Lincoln County           Phase:         0&M           Base Year:         2018           Date:         April 28, 2018           ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (Years 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (YEARS 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (YEARS 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (YEARS 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (YEARS 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (YEARS 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (YEARS 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (YEARS 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (YEARS 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (YEARS 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (YEARS 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING (YEARS 1 through ANNUAL COST - SITE MAINTENANCE AND MO	h 20)				
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DESCRIPTION 1	QTY	UNIT(S)	UNIT COST	TOTAL	NOTES
Observe Site Conditions' Inspect the Integrity of Physical Remedies Inspect the Integrity of Engineered Controls Routine Reporting Physical Remedy Maintenance Activities <sup>2</sup>	1 1 1	LS LS LS	\$1,866 \$995 \$3,414	\$1,866 \$995 \$3,414	Assumed 2.5 days/year Unit costs, quantities, and calculations in Cost Worksheets Report Assumed 1 days/year Unit costs, quantities, and calculations in Cost Worksheets Report Unit costs, quantities, and calculations in Cost Worksheets Report
Repair of a minor breach <sup>3</sup> of soil physical remedies	1	LS	\$0	\$0	Unit costs, quantities, and calculations in Cost Worksheets Report
Future Encounters with Contaminated Material Permitting Review/Approval SUBTOTAL	1 1	YR LS	\$2,176 \$0	\$2,176 \$0 \$8,451	
Contingency (Scope and Bid) SUBTOTAL	20%			\$1,690 \$10,141	10% Scope, 10% Bid (Low end of the recommended range in EPA 540-R-00-002).
Project Management <sup>6</sup> Technical Support <sup>7</sup> TOTAL	10% 20%			\$1,014 \$2,028 \$13,183	Middle value of the recommended range in EPA 540-R-00-002 was used. Upper value of the recommended range in EPA 540-R-00-002 was used.
Monitor Institutional Controls <sup>5</sup> TOTAL	1	EA	\$880	\$880 \$880	Unit costs, quantities, and calculations in Cost Worksheets Report
TOTAL ANNUAL O&M COST				\$14,100	Total capital cost is rounded to the nearest \$1,000.
PERIODIC COST - REPAIR OF MAJOR* BREACHES (Years 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, Repair of a major breach of soil physical remedies	18, 21, 24, 27, a 1	nd 30) LS	\$0	\$0	Unit costs, quantities, and calculations in Cost Worksheets Report
SUBTOTAL				\$0	
Contingency (Scope and Bid) SUBTOTAL	25%			\$0 \$0	15% Scope, 10% Bid (Low end of the recommended range in EPA 540-R-00-002).
Project Management Technical Support TOTAL	10% 20%			\$0 \$0 \$0	Middle value of the recommended range in EPA 540-R-00-002 was used. Upper value of the recommended range in EPA 540-R-00-002 was used.
TOTAL PERIODIC COST				\$0	Total capital cost is rounded to the nearest \$1,000.

Percentages used for contingency and professional/technical services costs are based on guidance from Section 5.0 of "A Guide to Developing and Documenting Cost Estimates During the Feasibility Study", EPA 2000. Costs presented are expected to have an accuracy between -30% to +50% of actual costs, based on the scope presented and methodology used for estimating.

3A General wear and tear or erosion may result in a minor breach of the physical remedy or engineered control. General wear and tear may include rutting and cracking on ground surfaces from heavy equipment such as snow plows, damage to the grass due to vehicle or foot traffic, or minor erosion due to general weather.

Fach LS Lump Sum PR Per property QTY Quantity

<sup>1</sup>Non-intrusive visual site inspections will be conducted to ensure integrity of the physical remedy or engineered control remains intact and assumed to be performed at least annually

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Physical remedy and engineering control maintenance activities - for agency discussion

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>A major breach of the physical remedy or engineered control will result in significant exposure from contaminated soil. Contaminated soil exposed by a major breach will be excavated/remediated and disposed of at an approved facility. For soil breaches, sampling and analysis may be conducted to confirm that contamination did not migrate outside of the breached area.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> ICs evaluation will be conducted to assess whether the selected IC instrument remains in place and whether the ICs are enforced such that they meet the stated objectives and performance goals and provide protection required by the response.

<sup>6</sup> Project management includes, but is not limited to, planning and reporting, community relations support, contract administration, permitting (if needed), and legal services outside of ICs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Technical support includes, but is not limited to, oversight of O&M activities and progress reporting.

# **TABLE PV-ADRFT**

# PRESENT VALUE ANALYSIS

# **Annual Discount Rate Factors Table**

Site: OU8

Location: Lincoln County

Phase: O&M Base Year: 2018

Discount Ra	ite (Percent):	7.0	
Year	Discount Factor <sup>1,2</sup>	Year	Discount Factor <sup>1,2</sup>
0	1.0000	26	0.1722
1	0.9346	27	0.1609
2	0.8734	28	0.1504
3	0.8163	29	0.1406
4	0.7629	30	0.1314
5	0.7130		
6	0.6663		
7	0.6227		
8	0.5820		
9	0.5439		
10	0.5083		
11	0.4751		
12	0.4440		
13	0.4150		
14	0.3878		
15	0.3624		
16	0.3387		
17	0.3166		
18	0.2959		
19	0.2765		
20	0.2584		
21	0.2415		
22	0.2257		
23	0.2109		
24	0.1971		
25	0.1842		

# Notes:

Annual discount factors were calculated using the formulas and guidance presented in Section 4.0 of "A Guide to Developing and Documenting Cost Estimates During the Feasibility Study", EPA 2000.

The real discount rate of 7.0% was obtained from "A Guide to Developing and Documenting Cost Estimates During the Feasibility Study", EPA 2000, Page 4-5.

# TABLE PV-OU8 5\_YEAR REVIEW

# PRESENT VALUE ANALYSIS

### Opinion of Probable Cost

### O&M Cost Estimate

Site: OU8

Location: Lincoln County

Phase: O&M Base Year: 2018

Year <sup>1</sup>	Annual Site Maintenance and Monitoring Costs	Periodic Costs (Major Breach Repair)	Periodic Costs (Five-Year Site Reviews)	Total Annual Expenditure <sup>2</sup>	Discount Factor (7.0%)	Present Value <sup>3</sup>
2017	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	1.0000	\$0
2018	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.9346	\$0
2019	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.8734	\$0
2020	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.8163	\$0
2021	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.7629	\$0
2022	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$40,000	0.7130	\$28,520
2023	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.6663	\$0
2024	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.6227	\$0
2025	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.5820	\$0
2026	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.5439	\$0
2027	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$40,000	0.5083	\$20,332
2028	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.4751	\$0
2029	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.4440	\$0
2030	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.4150	\$0
2031	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.3878	\$0
2032	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$40,000	0.3624	\$14,496
2033	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.3387	\$0
2034	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.3166	\$0
2035	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.2959	\$0
2036	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.2765	\$0
2037	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$40,000	0.2584	\$10,336
2038	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.2415	\$0
2039	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.2257	\$0
2040	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.2109	\$0
2041	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.1971	\$0
2042	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$40,000	0.1842	\$7,368
2043	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.1722	\$0
2044	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.1609	\$0
2045	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.1504	\$0
2046	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.1406	\$0
2047	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$40,000	0.1314	\$5,256
TOTALS:	\$0	\$0	\$240,000	\$240,000		\$86,308
	TOTAL PI	RESENT VALUE OF	OU8 5-YEAR REVIE	W COSTS		\$90,000

### Notes:

For cost estimating purposes, O&M costs are presented for a 30-year period after determination of O&F. The first 5-year review is assumed to occur in 2022.

Costs presented are expected to have an accuracy between -30% to +50% of actual costs, based on the scope presented and methodology used for estimating.

This cost accuracy range is consistent with EPA's Remedial Design/Remedial Action Handbook (EPA 1995) for preliminary development of O&M activities and responsibilities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Duration is assumed to be 30 years for present value analysis.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 2}\,$  Total annual expenditure is the total cost per year with no discounting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Present value is the total cost per year including a 7.0% discount factor for that year. See Table PV-ADRFT for details.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Total present value is rounded to the nearest \$10,000. Inflation and depreciation are excluded from the present value cost.

# TABLE CS-OU8 5-YEAR REVIEW COST ESTIMATE SUMMARY

Site: OU8

Opinion of Probable Cost

O&M Cost Estimate

Location: Lincoln County
Phase: O&M
Base Year: 2018

Date: April 28, 2018

### 5-YEAR SITE REVIEW PERIODIC COSTS (Years 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30)

D	Visual Site Inspection	<b>QTY</b> 1	UNIT(S) LS	<b>UNIT COST</b> \$3,534	<b>TOTAL</b> \$3,534	NOTES Unit costs, quantities, and calculations in Cost Worksheets Report Assumed 3 samples per event. Unit costs, quantities, and calculations in Cost Worksheets
	Ambient Air Sampling	1	LS	\$7,351	\$7,351	Report .
s	5-Year Site Review Report	1	LS	\$14,520	\$14,520 \$25,405	Unit costs, quantities, and calculations in Cost Worksheets Report
	Contingency (Scope and Bid) SUBTOTAL	20%			\$5,081 \$30,486	10% Scope, 10% Bid (Low end of the recommended range in EPA 540-R-00-002).
Т	roject Management echnical Support OTAL	10% 20%			\$3,049 \$6,097 \$39,632	Middle value of the recommended range in EPA 540-R-00-002 was used. Upper value of the recommended range in EPA 540-R-00-002 was used.
т	OTAL PERIODIC COST				\$40,000	Total capital cost is rounded to the nearest \$1,000.

### Notes

Percentages used for contingency and professional/technical services costs are based on guidance from Section 5.0 of "A Guide to Developing and Documenting Cost Estimates During the Feasibility Study", EPA 2000.

Costs presented are expected to have an accuracy between -30% to +50% of actual costs, based on the scope presented and methodology used for estimating.

### Abbreviations:

LS Lump Sum QTY Quantity