

NPL Site Narrative for Monroe Township Landfill

MONROE TOWNSHIP LANDFILL Monroe Township, New Jersey

Conditions at listing (December 1982): The Monroe Township Landfill covers 86 acres in Monroe Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey. The landfill operated from 1955 to June 1978, when the State closed it because a colored leachate was seeping from the site. The seepage forced the abandonment of a nearby housing construction project. Hydrochloric acid is known to have been disposed of at the site. In 1979, the State obtained a court order against the landfill owners to correct the seepage. A 900-foot cut-off wall and leachate collection system, which recycled leachate to the landfill, were installed as an interim measure in 1980.

Status (July 1983): A site closure plan is nearing completion. It includes the installation of a 7,000-foot leachate cut-off wall around the perimeter of the landfill, leachate collectors, and intercepting sewers to convey leachate to the Middlesex County Sewage Authority's Old Bridge Sewage Treatment Plant.

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