

EPA PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Reviews Cleanup at General Motors (Central Foundry Division) Superfund Site

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is conducting its fourth five-year review of the **General Motors (Central Foundry Division) Superfund Site**, located in the town of Massena, St. Lawrence County, New York. This review seeks to confirm that the cleanup actions to date continue to be protective of public health and the environment.

The cleanup of the General Motors site is ongoing and has been addressed in several stages. Immediate actions included the installation of an interim cap on the Industrial Landfill at the site in the late 1980's to prevent migration of contaminants. Long-term actions focused on the cleanup of St. Lawrence and Raquette River system sediment and Turtle Cove; excavation and removal of contaminated on-site soil; removal of contaminated soil and sediment on St. Regis Mohawk Tribal properties; replacement of the Industrial Landfill cap and creation of a 150-foot waste-free buffer around the landfill; demolition of the manufacturing facility and removal of contaminated soil beneath the building; and extraction and treatment of contaminated groundwater. Future work, expected to take place in 2021, will include the remediation of a St. Regis Mohawk Tribal property.

A summary of cleanup activities completed, to date, and an evaluation of the protectiveness of the implemented remedy will be included in the five-year review report.

What is an EPA Five-Year Review?

The purpose of five-year reviews is to ensure that implemented remedies at Superfund sites function as intended and continue to be protective of human health and the environment. These regular reviews, which are required by federal law when contaminants remain at a site, include:

- Inspecting the site and cleanup technologies;
- Reviewing monitoring data, operating data, and maintenance records, and
- Determining if any new relevant regulatory requirements have been established since EPA's original cleanup decision was finalized.

When will EPA's Five-Year Review Report be available?

It is anticipated that the five-year review report will be available at the website noted below by early fall 2020.

For more information

There are several ways to review information on this site. The Administrative Record, which includes EPA decision documents used for selecting the cleanup remedy, is available for public review at the information repositories listed below. Project information is also available online at the website noted below.

St. Regis Mohawk Tribe Environment Division
449 Frogtown Rd.
Akwesasne, NY 13655

OR

Massena Public Library
41 Glen Street
Massena, NY 13662

You may also contact

If you have any questions or concerns about the site or the five-year review process, please contact:

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