Garland Creosoting Company
Longview, Texas

Site Description
Garland Creosoting is an abandoned creosote wood treating facility located on 12 acres in Longview, Gregg County, TX. The site is bounded by an industrial facility to the north, Garland Road to the east, a stream to the south, and State Highway 149 and an undeveloped property to the west. The facility began manufacturing creosote-treated wood products in 1960 and continued operations until declaring bankruptcy in February 1997. Prior to 1985, wood-preserving wastewater created by the facility was treated and discharged to five surface impoundments for evaporation. Soil at the site is contaminated with polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and ground water is contaminated by volatile organic compounds and PAHs.

Current Site Status and Cleanup Actions to Date
• A time-critical short-term action was started in 1999 to: 1) dispose of the contents of all onsite above-ground storage tanks; 2) remove tanks, vertical structures and buildings; and 3) dispose of creosote-contaminated soil from waste impoundments and the creosoting process area.
• In 2003, two interceptor collection trenches (ICTs) were installed to prevent movement of creosote-contaminated ground water and dense non-aqueous phase liquid into a stream.
• EPA selected the final long-term cleanup action in 2006.
• The cleanup design is under review by EPA.
• Under current conditions, potential or actual human exposures are under control.

Current Funding Status
• Cleanup activities addressing creosote-contaminated soil and ground water were not funded in Fiscal Year 2008.
• To date, EPA has obligated approximately $7.5 million for cleanup activities at this site.

For more information on the projects at this site, please read the Garland Creosoting Fact Sheet (PDF) (4 pp, 61K) on the Region 6 Superfund Web site.