NPL Site Narrative for South Valley

SOUTH VALLEY Albuquerque, New Mexico

Federal Register Notice: September 8, 1983

Conditions at listing (July 1982): The South Valley Site covers about 2 square miles south of Albuquerque, New Mexico. In 1979, wells in the San Jose well field became contaminated by organic compounds, forcing closing of one private well and two Albuquerque municipal wells. Numerous sources are suspected of contributing to the problem.

This is the top priority site in New Mexico.

Status (July 1983): The State, with a grant of \$80,200 made available through the Clean Water Act, is attempting to determine the extent of ground water pollution and possible specific sources of contaminants. In addition, EPA is evaluating methods of restoring the capacity of the Albuquerque wells lost due to contamination.

EPA is starting a remedial investigation/feasibility study to determine the type and extent of contamination at the site and identify alternatives for remedial action.

[The description of the site (release) is based on information available at the time the site was evaulated with the HRS. The description may change as additional information is gathered on the sources and extent of contamination. See <u>56 FR 5600</u>,

February 11, 1991, or subsequent FR notices.]