Oklahoma Source Water Protection Program Superfund Sites



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What Is Superfund?

Superfund, officially named the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), is a federally funded cleanup program that addresses sites that have been contaminated by hazardous waste. Congress established CERCLA in 1980 as a response to national attention surrounding these contaminated areas in the late 1970s.



What Does Superfund do?

- Protect human health and the environment by cleaning up contaminated sites
- Make responsible parties pay for cleanup work
- Involve communities in the Superfund process
- Return Superfund sites to productive use

Superfund allows EPA to enforce and implement the cleaning of contaminated sites. It requires that the parties responsible for contaminating the area to either perform the cleanup themselves or reimburse the government for cleanup work. When there is no viable responsible party, EPA utilizes CERCLA funds and authority to clean the sites. CERCLA funds are built up through a specific tax on the chemical and petroleum industries.



Superfund in Oklahoma

Several superfund sites exist across the state of Oklahoma. Each site has its own unique set of characteristics, so it is important to become familiar with each of these sites on an individual basis. The Oklahoma DEQ Land Protection Division maintains information regarding these sites on their website including summaries about each area and the remediation efforts and progress that have occurred so far.

Oklahoma DEQ Website Search:

Superfund https://tinyurl.com/mrxuymx2

Superfund Sites

Current Oklahoma Superfund Sites

Site Name	County
Compass Industries Landfill	Tulsa
Double Eagle Refinery	Oklahoma
Eagle Industries	Oklahoma
Fansteel Metals/FMRI	Muskogee
Fourth Street Refinery	Oklahoma
Hardage/Criner	McClain
Henryetta Iron and Metal	Okmulgee
Hudson Refinery	Payne
Imperial Refinery	Carter
Mosely Road	Oklahoma
National Zinc	Washington
Oklahoma Refining Company	Caddo
Sand Springs Petrochemical	Tulsa
Tar Creek	Ottawa
Tenth Street Junk Yard	Oklahoma
Tinker Air Force Base	Oklahoma
Tulsa Fuel	Tulsa
Wilcox Oil	Creek

Due to their uniqueness, risk factors associated with each of these sites varies. To identify what contaminants have the potential to infiltrate the Source Water Protection Area (SWPA), it is important to research each site on an individual basis to identify what potential contaminants may or may have already infiltrated the soils, waters, and air within a SWPA. After the risks are identified, proper SWP projects and best management practices should be implemented to better protect our drinking water sources.



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You can also visit the DEQ website for more info, helpful resources, and to sign up for the program. https://tinyurl.com/44hsyfut



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