

PUBLIC NOTICE



U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, NY District, Releases Proposed Plan for FTMM-22

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers New York District and the U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville (USAESCH), has prepared a *Proposed Plan* for Site FTMM-22 at Fort Monmouth (FTMM) in Tinton Falls, Monmouth County, New Jersey. The U.S. Army is the lead agency for FTMM in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) and Executive Order 12580. New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) is the state support agency under the National Contingency Plan for FTMM.

The *Proposed Plan* describes the preferred alternative of source removal through direct excavation and off-site disposal of the remaining concrete lime pit structure. Any potential contaminated soils encountered beneath the structure will be removed and disposed off-site. Land use controls to control exposure to trichloroethene (TCE) in groundwater will be established in the form of a Classification Exception Area (CEA)/Well Restriction Area (WRA). The CEA/WRA would remain in place until NJDEP Ground Water Quality Standards (GWQSs) are achieved at the site. Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA) will be used to document the natural degradation of VOCs over time. The government may pilot test groundwater remedies at Site FTMM-22 if MNA proves to be ineffective over time.

Results of the FTMM-22 Remedial Investigation (RI), including a human health risk assessment, identified TCE as a constituent of concern in groundwater. Since there was a potential unacceptable risk and hazard to human health associated with direct contact with volatile organic compounds (specifically TCE in groundwater) a Feasibility Study (FS) was conducted.

The *Proposed Plan*, Final RI/FS Report (June 2017), and the full public record for the FTMM-22 Site, are available for review at the Monmouth County Library, Eastern Branch, 1001 Route 35, Shrewsbury NJ 07702. The *Proposed Plan* is also posted on the FTMM Environmental Restoration Program website (<http://www.pica.army.mil/ftmonmouth/>).

The New York District invites public comment on the *Proposed Plan*. Written comments will be accepted during a 30-day comment period starting 31 May 2018 and ending 29 June 2018. All comments must be postmarked by 29 June and mailed to the address below (or emailed by 29 June to william.r.colvin18.civ@mail.mil):

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A public meeting on the *Proposed Plan* will be held on 14 June 2018 at 7 p.m. at *West Long Branch Public Library, 95 Poplar Ave, West Long Branch, NJ 07764*. The public is invited to attend and provide oral comments on the *Proposed Plan* at that time.