NPL Site Narrative for Lone Star Army Ammunition Plant

LONE STAR ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT Texarkana, Texas

Conditions at proposal (October 15, 1984): Lone Star Army Ammunition Plant, located in Texarkana, Bowie County, Texas, produces a variety of explosives and munitions. During World War II, explosives were disposed of by detonation above- and below-ground in an area covering about 5 acres. Tests conducted by the Army indicate that heavy metals (lead and chromium) contaminate monitoring wells south of the disposal site along the border of the facility.

About 1,200 people use private wells within 3 miles of the site as a source of drinking water.

The plant is participating in the Installation Restoration Program, established in 1978. Under this program, the Department of Defense seeks to identify, investigate, and clean up contamination from hazardous materials. The Army has completed Phase I (records search). Phase II (preliminary survey) is underway.

Status (July 22, 1987): Phase II activities continue.

Within the boundaries of this Federal facility, there are areas subject to the Subtitle C corrective action authorities of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). However, no such areas were included in scoring this specific site. Therefore, this Federal facility site is being placed on the Federal section of the NPL under the NPL/RCRA policy announced on September 8, 1983 (48 FR 40662).

For more information about the hazardous substances identified in this narrative summary, including general information regarding the effects of exposure to these substances on human health, please see the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) ToxFAQs. ATSDR ToxFAQs can be found on the Internet at ATSDR - ToxFAQs (http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaqs/index.asp) or by telephone at 1-888-42-ATSDR or 1-888-422-8737.