

NPL Site Narrative for Pepe Field

PEPE FIELD

Boonton, New Jersey

Conditions at listing (December 1982): Pepe Field is a 3.5-acre municipal athletic field in a residential area of Boonton, Morris County, New Jersey. The site, formerly a swamp, is suspected of having been a hazardous waste dump. The nearby Rockaway River, which receives subsurface drainage from the site, empties into the Boonton Reservoir, the source of Jersey City's water. Hazardous substances have been detected in a below-ground drain that releases directly into the Rockaway River. Hydrogen sulfide and other chemical odors are noticeable.

Status (July 1983): The Town of Boonton is treating the odor problem at Pepe Field with hydrogen peroxide, but with limited success. EPA is preparing a Remedial Action Master Plan outlining the investigations needed to determine the full extent of cleanup required at the site. It will guide further actions at the site.

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) (<http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaqs/index.asp>) or by telephone at 1-888-42-ATSDR or 1-888-422-8737.