NPL Site Narrative for Old City of York Landfill

OLD CITY OF YORK LANDFILL Seven Valleys, Pennsylvania

Conditions at listing (December 1982): Old City of York Landfill covers 176 acres just outside Seven Valleys, York County, Pennsylvania. The City of York owned and operated the landfill from 1961 to 1975. In December 1981, EPA and State investigators found that the landfill was contaminating ground water in the area with volatile organic compounds. The State then advised nearby residents with contaminated wells to obtain alternate sources of drinking water or to treat their well water before drinking. The investigations also found that leachate was flowing from the landfill into the nearby Codorus Creek, which is used for fishing and other recreational activities.

In fall 1982, the State ordered the City of York to study the site in order to take remedial action. The city appealed the order.

Status (July 1983): The State and city are now negotiating an agreement for cleanup.

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.