

NPL Site Narrative for Cortese Landfill

CORTESE LANDFILL

Village of Narrowsburg, New York

Conditions at proposal (October 15, 1984): The Cortese Landfill covers approximately 17 acres in the Delaware River floodplain in the Village of Narrowsburg, Town of Tusten, Sullivan County, New York. The former operator of the landfill is the John Cortese Construction Corp. The company owns a portion of the property. The town owns the rest.

The landfill received municipal wastes from the Town of Tusten at a rate of 3,000 cubic yards per year from 1972 to 1982. In addition, significant quantities of industrial wastes were buried at the landfill.

The State has documented the release of organic chemicals and metals to surface water and ground water at or near the site. The nearest known water supply (800 feet to the northwest) is the auxiliary well for the Narrowsburg water supply. To date, no significant impacts on water supplies have been detected.

The State initiated a lawsuit under CERCLA against several parties in Federal District Court in August 1983.

Status (June 10, 1986): In April 1985, the State signed a Consent Order with SCA Services, Inc., which had transported wastes to the site. The Consent Order requires SCA to undertake a remedial investigation/feasibility study (RI/FS) to determine the type and extent of contamination at the site and identify alternatives for remedial action. The work began in the summer of 1985. The RI is scheduled to be completed in September 1986.

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.