NPL Site Narrative for Clothier Disposal

CLOTHIER DISPOSALTown of Granby, New York

Conditions at proposal (October 15, 1984): The Clothier Disposal Site covers about 10 acres in the Town of Granby, Oswego County, New York. The site is bounded on the north by a dirt road and on the south by Ox Creek. Generally, it consists of wooded areas and wetlands.

Until 1974, the site owner accepted between 500 and 1,500 barrels of waste from Pollution Abatement Services (which was placed on the NPL in September 1983) in nearby Oswego. Inspections conducted by the State indicated that many barrels were in poor condition and leaking; solvent odors were noted. PCBs are present in soil samples, according to analyses conducted by the State. The contamination threatens ground water and surface water. Nearby residents use private or municipal wells. The site drains into a marsh area that drains north into Ox Creek and then to the Oswego River, which is used for recreational activities.

The State brought suit against the owner in November 1976 for operating without a permit. As a result, the State granted the owner a temporary permit and a period of 1 year to clean up the site. In 1977, the materials dumped on the site were covered; in the process, barrels were broken open and drained. However, the case was dismissed in January 1978.

Status (June 10, 1986): EPA is conducting a remedial investigation/feasibility study to determine the type and extent of contamination at the site and identify alternatives for remedial action.

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.