

NPL Site Narrative for Sullivan's Ledge

SULLIVAN'S LEDGE

New Bedford, Massachusetts

Conditions at listing (September 1983): Sullivan's Ledge is an abandoned granite quarry about 10 acres in size located in New Bedford, Massachusetts. The site, owned and operated by the city, was used for decades as an industrial dump.

In 1982, EPA detected high levels of PCBs in ambient air and soil. Additional EPA investigations in the spring of 1983 found significant levels of PCBs, vinyl chloride, and chlorinated industrial solvents in soil and ground water. Run-off from the site drains into nearby Appanogansett Swamp.

Status (June 1984): EPA is considering various alternatives for the site.

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