

NPL Site Narrative for Ramapo Landfill

RAMAPO LANDFILL Ramapo, New York

Conditions at listing (December 1982): The Ramapo Landfill covers 45 acres in Ramapo, Rockland County, New York. It opened in 1972. In 1978, the State denied the operators a permit because of an incomplete permit application and violations of State codes. The facility received sludge from a cosmetic company, and midnight dumping may have occurred. In 1980, about 50 drums containing an unknown waste were observed on the site. Leachate from the site is contaminating Torne Brook, a tributary to the Ramapo River. Monitoring wells around the facility have detected various pollutants, including toluene, xylene, and methylene chloride. Wells providing water for the Spring Valley Water Co. are close to the site.

Status (July 1983): The State has entered into a Consent Agreement with the Town of Ramapo, the site owner, to clean up the site. EPA will evaluate the provisions of the Consent Agreement by conducting a Remedial Action Master Plan, which will outline the investigations needed to determine the full extent of cleanup required 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/toxfaq/index.asp) (<http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaq/index.asp>) or by telephone at 1-888-42-ATSDR or 1-888-422-8737.