

NPL Site Narrative for Ordot Landfill

ORDOT LANDFILL

Ordot, Guam

Conditions at listing (October 1981): The Ordot Landfill, in Ordot, Guam, has been in use over 40 years, mostly as an open dump. There are no accurate records of what was dumped. The current site occupies 47 acres, and plans call for possible expansion to a total of 74 acres. Surface water from the site drains into the Pago River, which discharges into Pago Bay. Direct human contact and contamination of marine life used for food are of concern.

This is the top priority site in Guam.

Status (July 1983): In July 1982, EPA approved \$75,000 for studies of four sites -- Ordot Landfill, PCB Wastes, PCB Warehouse, and Taputimu Farm -- located on islands of the Insular Territories. Another \$65,000 was added in November 1982. The funds are for two separate projects. One is to review and compile existing data for the Ordot Landfill, where ground water and surface water may be threatened by hazardous wastes mixed in with municipal wastes. The second is for the other three sites, where wastes are containerized. The funds are for a remedial investigation to determine the type and extent of contamination at each site and a feasibility study to identify alternatives for remedial action. The work is scheduled to be completed in the third quarter of 1983. The next step, if approved, would be to select the cost-effective remedy and begin design activities. In January 1983, EPA awarded \$10,000 to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for technical assistance to the project.

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.