Fair Lawn Well Field Superfund Site

Weekly Update #1 (Week of February 26, 2024)

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is overseeing the construction of a groundwater treatment system at the Fair Lawn Well Field Groundwater Contamination Superfund site in the Borough of Fair Lawn, Bergen County, New Jersey. To better understand the roles of each organization working to protect your health and the environment, please refer to the chart below.

We at the EPA are committing to providing regular updates on construction activities, community involvement opportunities, and any other relevant information about the site. If you have ideas or feedback for future updates, please feel free to let us know.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	Responsible Parties (Ramboll Construction Contractor)	Fair Lawn Borough
Primary Point of Contact	Coordinate On-site Construction Activities (~10 months)	Building/Drinking Water Permitting
Oversee the Construction Activities (HDR Reps On-Site)	Construction Complete/Pre-Final Inspection (EPA/Ramboll/Borough)	Final Inspection/Acceptance (EPA/Ramboll/Borough)
Lead Community Involvement Efforts; Coordinate with Borough and Responsible Parties on Periodic Updates to the Community	Temporary Operation/Training Borough (~6 months)	Ownership, Operation and Maintenance
Review and Approve Updated Plans/System Inspection	System and Groundwater/Surface Water Long Term Performance Monitoring	

Last Week (Week of February 19)

- EPA approved the plan to perform the environmental clean-up (Remedial Action Work Plan) at the site.
- EPA, HDR (EPA oversight contractor), the Responsible Parties (RPs) for the clean-up, Ramboll (RPs construction contractor), and the Borough of Fair Lawn participated in a preconstruction meeting on Thursday, February 22 to discuss the field construction activities.
- Ramboll identified and marked where the utility lines run and which trees will need to be removed.

Next Two Weeks (Beginning the Week of February 26)

• Ramboll installed a temporary security fence along 11th Street and around the existing site near the edge of the sidewalk pavement.

- Ramboll also installed a silt fence, which is a temporary barrier made out of fabric that controls the soil from moving after it's placed in a pile during construction activities.
- Ramboll will install another silt fence along the edge of Little Diamond Brook and northeast of the borough's existing water tank.
- EPA anticipates the trailer that will be onsite for construction personnel will arrive on February 29.
- During the week of March 4, Ramboll will remove about a dozen trees that will impair the construction.
- Ramboll will install a sign ("Sidewalk this way") between 11th Street and Westmoreland Ave. that directs foot traffic.
- EPA and Ramboll will install additional signs identifying the site and including contact information for any questions/concerns.
- Ramboll received gravel stone for the new driveway entrance and will finish installing the driveway.

Ongoing

- Daily health and safety briefings.
- EPA and/or its contractor will oversee the field construction work.

Community Engagement and Outreach

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- EPA went door to door to promote the public information meeting and inform residents of the start of construction work at the site.
- EPA shared its recent community update fact sheet with the community via email, EPA's site's webpage, EPA's social media accounts, the borough's newsletter and website, and by going door to door.
- EPA held two public information meetings on February 28 at the Fair Lawn Senior Center. Ramboll, HDR, representatives from the borough, as well as residents attended.
- EPA regularly posts about work at the site on EPA Region 2's X and Facebook pages. Please check us out and share our posts!

EPA will continue to provide regular updates on the environmental cleanup related to the Fair Lawn Well Field Superfund site, located at the corner of 11th Street and Henderson Blvd. in Fair Lawn, New Jersey.

During the construction phase and with EPA oversight, Ramboll will build a groundwater treatment plant to remove <u>volatile organic compounds</u> (VOCs), <u>1,4 Dioxane</u>, and <u>perfluorooctanoic acid and perfluorooctane</u> <u>sulfonate</u> (PFOA/PFOS) from the groundwater. Please see the <u>site's website</u> to learn more about the site.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact:

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