

Introducing www.epa.gov/arweb
ARWeb

EPA Region 3's
Administrative Records
on the Internet



What is it?

ARWeb is an internet-based tool that searches the Administrative Records (AR) of EPA Region 3 Superfund Sites.

How can I get there?

Point your browser to <http://www.epa.gov/arweb> OR you can access ARWeb from the Administrative Record (AR) link on the sidebar of the Region 3 Hazardous Site Cleanup Division Homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/reg3hwmd>.

What is an Administrative Record?

An AR is a collection of key documents which EPA uses in determining the response action at a particular Superfund site. This collection is an official record of EPA's decision-making process.

Examples of documents in the AR include:

- Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Reports
- Proposed Remedial Action Plans
- Proposed Plans
- Records of Decision
- Action Memorandums
- Correspondence and comments from the public
- Pollution Reports
- Court Orders

Why should I use ARWeb?

ARWeb allows you to search for documents for a specific site or for documents in a particular state from your own computer!

- Search for records using a specific word.
- View the documents and read them online.

Additionally, ARWeb is a useful tool for classroom instruction and a great resource for those interested in environmental sciences and issues.

How do I use ARWeb?

ARWeb allows you to search for documents several ways.

- Perform a Basic Search by entering a state or a site name.
- Perform an Advanced Search by entering more specific information such as document type and document description.
- Perform a Full Text Search on a specific word or words in the document.

If you need help at any point, the ARWeb's online Help will step you through the process of creating searches and browsing through your search results.

Do I need any special software to use ARWeb?

The only pre-requisite to using ARWeb is that you have a web browser. In order to view the documents found within ARWeb, you will need the Adobe Acrobat Reader product, available as a link from the ARWeb homepage, or for free from <http://www.adobe.com>.

Who do I contact with questions or comments about ARWeb?

You can use the Comments link at the bottom of each page within ARWeb to send comments or questions to the owners of the ARWeb application. You also can contact Anna Butch, US EPA Region 3, at 215-814-3157, or at butch.anna@epa.gov.