

RUSTON FOUNDRY SUPERFUND SITE

Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana



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Current Status

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) accepted the Kansas City Southern Railway Remedial Design and Remedial Action Work Plan on February 28, 2008. Mobilization to the site occurred on February 25, 2008, and under EPA and LDEQ oversight, the remedial action began. The site Remedial Project Manager, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, and the Potentially Responsible Parties (with contractors) conducted the pre-final inspection on May 14, 2008 and the final inspection on June 17, 2008.

The EPA signed the Preliminary Closeout Report on September 3, 2008, documenting construction completion of the remedy.

Kansas City Southern submitted the draft Remedial Action Report that documents all aspects and details of the activities performed during the remedial action. The Agencies reviewed the draft and submitted comments. The document is currently being revised.

On June 24, 2009, Kansas City Southern completed follow-up activities related to excavation of the southern boundary of the site including clearing and grubbing activities along the canal bank, the removal of contamination, and the collection of confirmation samples. Within the next few weeks, the excavation areas will be seeded and erosion matting placed along the canal bank.

Benefits

A Removal Action was completed in August 1999 and resulted in the removal and offsite disposal of drums containing 250 gallons of liquid waste and 3.22 cubic yards of solid waste. In addition, 4 tons of scrap metal and debris were also removed. This removal action eliminated unacceptable health risks associated with the liquid and solid waste stored in drums.

The major components of the remedy implemented during the Spring and Summer of 2008 are listed below. Final totals will be documented in the Remedial Action Report and the site Close Out Report.

1. Soil/sediment - Approximately 6,940 yd³ of lead and antimony contaminated soils and sediment were excavated and disposed offsite in a RCRA Subtitle D facility.
2. Excavation of hazardous slag waste - Approximately 743 cubic yards (yd³) of hazardous waste was excavated and shipped to a permitted hazardous waste landfill.
3. Asbestos Containing Material (ACM) – ACM was consolidated onsite, contained, and transported offsite to a disposal facility licensed to accept ACM. Methods to control airborne dispersion of asbestos were implemented during remediation. The final total volume of material is 25 yd³.
4. Underground Storage Tank (UST) - The UST was located and removed. Upon examination the UST was determined to be steel and able to contain 500 gallons of product; but was found full of soil, with

no staining evident. The UST was recycled.

5. Building debris and water supply well - All 5 onsite wells were plugged and abandoned in accordance with all federal, state, and local regulations. The Site was cleared (as necessary), and the existing buildings and foundations were demolished. All steel material was decontaminated and recycled. All concrete was decontaminated and donated to a concrete recycling center.

6. Air Monitoring - During remedial action, efforts were made to control dust and run-off to limit the amount of materials that may migrate to a potential receptor. Air monitoring was conducted during times of remediation to ensure that control measures worked to regulate Site emissions.

Reuse: The 6.26 acre site is available for unlimited use and unrestricted exposure.

Environmental Indicators: No ground water contamination was identified at the site, and long-term human health exposure has been controlled with the removal of contamination during the remedial action to levels that allow for unlimited use and unrestricted exposure.

National Priorities List

Proposal Date: January 19, 1999

Final Listing Date: May 10, 1999

Location: The 6.26 acre site is located at 1010 Bogan Street, Alexandria, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.

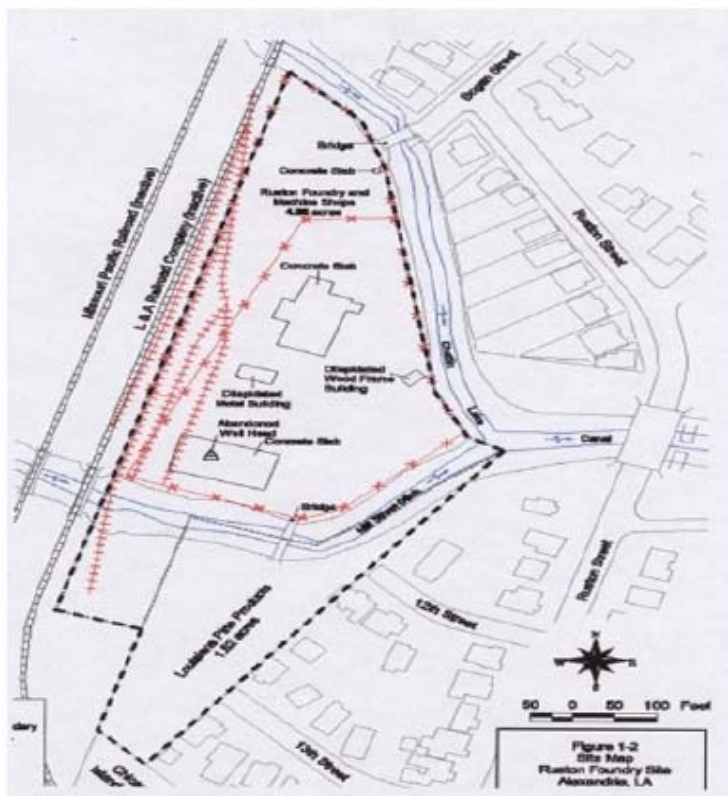
Population: There are more than 9,000 residents who live within one mile of the facility and more than 64,000 individuals who live within four miles of the facility. There is an elementary school located approximately .5 miles north and a recreational park located within .25 miles south of the facility.

Setting: The facility is an inactive and abandoned foundry that was in operation from 1908 to 1985. The facility engaged in foundry and machine shop activities and in the manufacturing, prefabrication and repair of articles of steel, iron and other metals.

Photos: [Activities](#)

Principal Pollutants: Site Contamination includes soils and slag containing lead and antimony. In addition, approximately 25 cubic yards of asbestos containing material is present, as well as one identified underground storage tank.

Site Map



Human Health and Ecological Risk Assessment

The human health risk assessment identified lead and antimony as the chemicals of concern. Lead is the leading concern at this site because during early developmental stages, children are the most susceptible to health risks associated with this metal. Based on the assessment and future site reuse as industrial, the cleanup level for lead in soil is 1400 milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg) and the cleanup level for antimony in soil is 820 mg/kg.

During remedial action, all areas where lead exceeded 500 mg/kg and antimony exceeded 150 mg/kg were addressed. Cleanup to these levels and below have allowed the site to be unrestricted and therefore available for unlimited use.

Community Involvement

On May 27, 2009, the local community group was contacted and informed of the additional work that would be completed by KCS.

Record of Decision

The Record of Decision was signed on June 24, 2002.

The selected remedy is Stabilization and Offsite Disposal and the major components of the remedy are:

Stabilization - Approximately 1300 cubic yards (yd³) of hazardous waste will be excavated and stabilized. The material will be stabilized until sampling verifies that it no longer exceeds the Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) for lead. After verification, the waste will be disposed offsite at a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) regulated Subtitle D facility.

Asbestos Containing Material (ACM) - Materials will be consolidated onsite, contained, and transported offsite to a disposal facility licensed to accept ACM. Methods to control airborne dispersion of asbestos will be implemented during remediation. The estimated total volume of material is 22 yd³.

Underground Storage Tank (UST) - The UST, its contents, and the surrounding petroleum wastes will be characterized during the remedial design to determine whether the contents will be cleaned up under CERCLA or Oil Pollution Act (OPA) authority. The surrounding polychlorinated biphenol (PCB) contaminated soils will be removed and disposed offsite in accordance with all federal, state, and local regulations. Total volume of tank contents is estimated at 5,000 gallons. The volume of associated contaminated soil is included in the soil/sediment estimated volume of 15,000 yd³.

Building debris and water supply well - The onsite well will be plugged and abandoned in accordance with all federal, state, and local regulations. Portions of the Site will be cleared, where necessary, and the existing buildings and foundations will be demolished, removed and disposed offsite.

Soil/sediment - Approximately 15,000 yd³ of lead and antimony contaminated soils and sediment will be excavated and disposed offsite in a RCRA Subtitle D facility.

Air Monitoring - During remedial action, efforts will be made to control dust and run-off to limit the amount of materials that may migrate to a potential receptor. Air monitoring will be conducted during times of remediation to ensure that control measures are working to regulate Site emissions.

Short-term monitoring - Monitoring of the surface water and ground water during remedial action may be necessary to ensure that runoff control measures are working.

Explanation of Significant Differences

Soil: The Explanation of Significant Differences was signed on September 28, 2004.

The selected remedy is Stabilization and Offsite Disposal with a Contingency of Excavation and Offsite Disposal for the Hazardous Waste.

The major components of the ESD that have changed since the 2002 ROD are listed below. All other components of the 2002 ROD remain unchanged.

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Soil/sediment - The soil volume estimated in the 2002 ROD was based on the 150 mg/kg antimony and 500 mg/kg lead cleanup levels (CLs) as well as the exceedances of the synthetic precipitation leachate procedure (SPLP) screening values. The volume of soil exceeding both SPLP and the CLs was estimated to be 15,000 yd³. With a change in CLs and SPLP cleanup values, there is a change in the estimated soil volume. The estimated volume of soil exceeding the 820 mg/kg antimony and 1400 mg/kg lead CLs is 1,766 yd³.

Contingency Remedy - The contingency remedy is Excavation and Offsite disposal, which was presented in the 2002 Proposed Plan as Alternative 5. This differs from the stabilization process in that the wastes will not be treated prior to transportation and disposal and will not be disposed of in a solid waste landfill. Should it be determined through the treatability evaluation that excavation and offsite disposal proves to be the more appropriate method of addressing the hazardous waste, and then stabilization will no longer be required. Implementation of the contingency remedy will be documented through a second ESD.

Operation and Maintenance - Because waste will be left onsite above levels that allow for unlimited use and unrestricted exposure, future O&M activities, Five-year Reviews, and Institutional Controls (ICs) will become part of the revised remedy. Annual O&M activities will include, but are not limited to, Site inspection and maintenance, IC inspection and enforcement, and Site reports. Reviews of the remedy will be conducted no less than every five years to ensure that the remedy is functioning as designed, and remains protective of human health and the environment. The purpose of the IC is to ensure that the property remains zoned industrial and is only used for that purpose.

Explanation of Significant Differences

Soil: The Explanation of Significant Differences was signed on January 2, 2008.

The selected remedy identified in the September 2004 ESD was Stabilization and Offsite Disposal with a Contingency of Excavation and Offsite Disposal for the Hazardous Waste.

The January 2008 ESD invoked the contingency of Excavation and Offsite Disposal for the Hazardous Waste. All other components of the 2002 ROD and 2004 ESD remain unchanged.

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Explanation of Significant Differences

The Explanation of Significant Differences is currently being drafted and is expected to be completed in March 2010.

The selected remedy identified in the January 2008 ESD was Excavation and Offsite Disposal of contaminated soil and Hazardous Waste.

Because all waste has been removed and the cleanup levels for unlimited use and unrestricted exposure have been met, the requirements for operation and maintenance activities and five year reviews as specified in the January 2008 ESD are no longer necessary. Therefore, a third ESD will be issued to document that these components of the remedy are no longer necessary and that the site is available for unlimited use and unrestricted exposure.

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