



# Sites in Reuse

## Denver Radium Superfund Site

Various Locations, Adams and Denver Counties, Colorado 80204



*Commercial redevelopment at the site.*



*Ruby Hill Park.*



*Property available for redevelopment.*

**Supported Site Uses:** The site is in commercial, industrial, residential, public service and recreational reuse. The site supports retail businesses, industrial operations, multi-family residences, city and county roads, railroads and railroad right of ways, and a recreational park. Other portions of the site are available for reuse consistent with institutional controls.

**Restricted Use:** Institutional controls for the site restrict disturbance of the concrete cap and subsurface soil on a portion of the site, restrict groundwater use, regulate construction of new groundwater wells and require special zoning ordinances.

### Setting:

- The site includes over 65 disconnected properties in Adams and Denver Counties, Colorado.
- In the early 1900s, several ore-processing facilities operated in Denver, producing radium for commercial purposes. The site includes the properties where radioactive residues remained following the end of the radium industry in the 1920s.
- Most of the properties remain in continued use. New reuses have occurred at several of the properties following cleanup.
- On-site businesses support over 400 jobs.
- Residential, industrial, commercial, recreational and open space land uses surround the various properties at the site.
- Surrounding population: 0.5 mile, 2,889 people; 2.5 miles, 128,645 people; 4 miles, 316,399 people.
- Cleanup activities included removal and off-site disposal of contaminated soil, installation of ventilation systems and stabilization of contaminated materials.
- EPA implemented institutional controls at properties where waste remains in place.
- The City and County of Denver removed contamination beneath streets as part of ongoing routine street maintenance.
- Operation and maintenance activities and groundwater monitoring continue.

*Disclaimer:* EPA does not warrant that the property is suitable for any particular use. Any prospective purchaser must contact the property owner for sale potential.



### Remedial Status:

- EPA and the State divided the properties at the site into 11 geographically-separated portions to simplify the cleanup process.
- Cleanup activities began in 1985 and ended in 2006.

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