



TAV Holdings, Inc.

Atlanta, Georgia

RCRA Section 7003 Order

March 2022

Fact Sheet 2

EPA TO HOST VIRTUAL MEETING

Please join us **Tuesday, March 15th at 6 p.m.** for a virtual public meeting to discuss the EPA Emergency Order issued to TAV Holdings, Inc., and to provide details on the off-site investigation.

Representatives from EPA and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) will be presenting and Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GA EPD), and the Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH) will also be available to answer questions or address concerns.

Visit this link to register for the meeting:

https://usepa.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_F6-SLtrqQlivPcyuY7KsKQ

To view a copy of the Order and Administrative Record, please visit:

<https://semspub.epa.gov/src/collection/04/AR67067>

private institutions, other federal agencies, and our state partners, leveraging expertise to ensure a comprehensive solution is provided for this community.

Highlights of initial work required under the EPA's RCRA 7003 Order:

- Cease operations that may result in releases of solid and/or hazardous waste to the environment;
- Provide security at the Facility, including fencing, site signage, and controlled access; and
- Submit work plans for site stabilization, material management, and waste characterization and disposal.

Current Status

Since EPA issued its January 10, 2022, RCRA 7003 Administrative Order, it has been closely monitoring TAV's progress on implementing the requirements of the Order, including conducting weekly meetings with TAV representatives and visiting the site to observe first-hand the progress that is being made. In addition, the EPA continues to coordinate with numerous stakeholders, including public and



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Off-Site Investigation

As part of the EPA’s off-site investigation, on January 17, 2022, EPA sampled soils at Crawford W. Long Middle School and sediments within the creek (an unnamed tributary of the South River), which runs along the southern boundary of the school and to the north of the TAV Facility, to determine if any contaminants have migrated off-site from the TAV Facility. The sample locations are identified on the map below. The data confirms that contamination is migrating from the TAV Facility into the creek, but **no contamination was detected in the soils at the middle school**. In order to determine the extent of contamination, EPA plans to continue the off-site investigation by collecting soil samples from additional properties downstream from the TAV Facility. EPA is also developing work plans to conduct air sampling within the community around the TAV Facility.

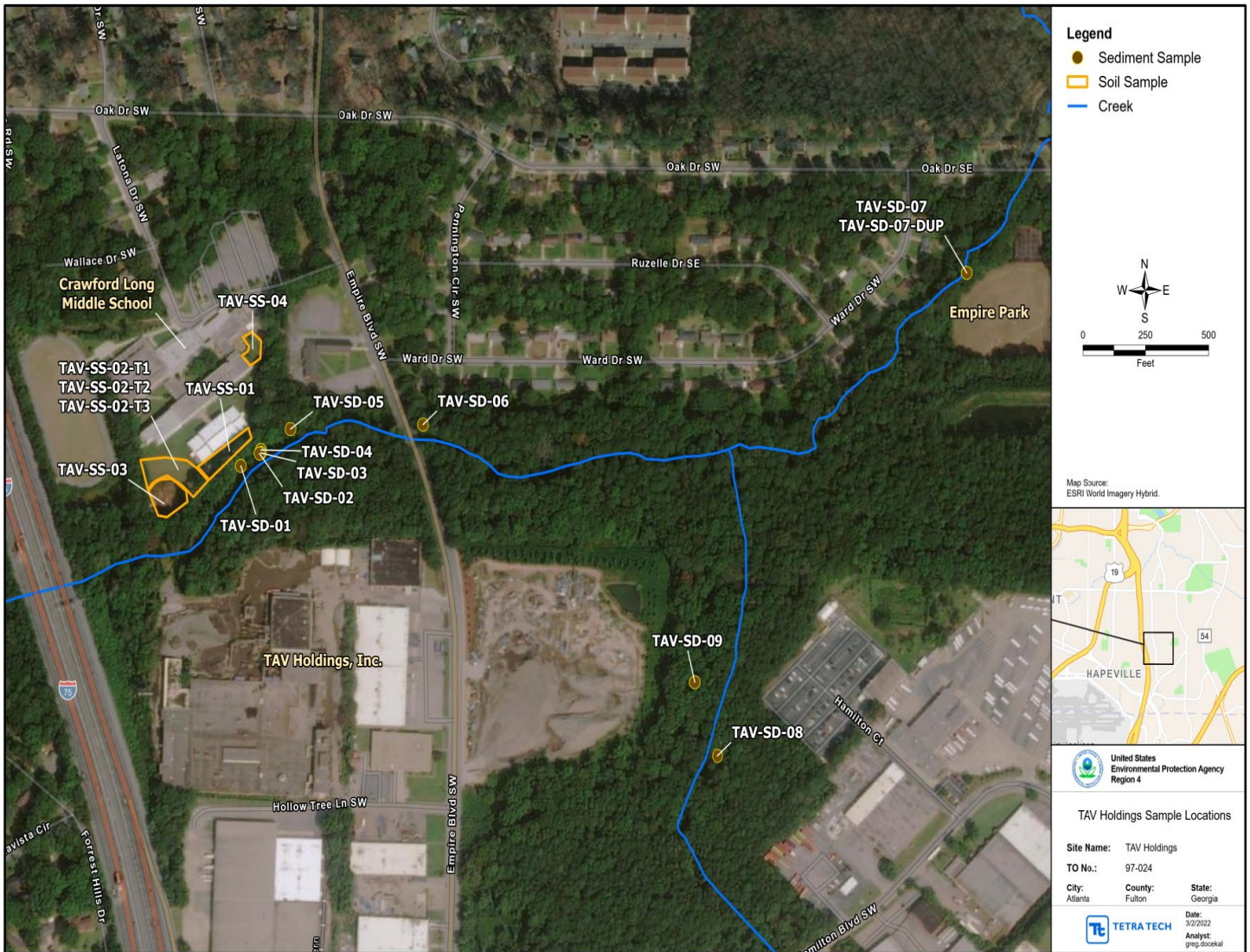
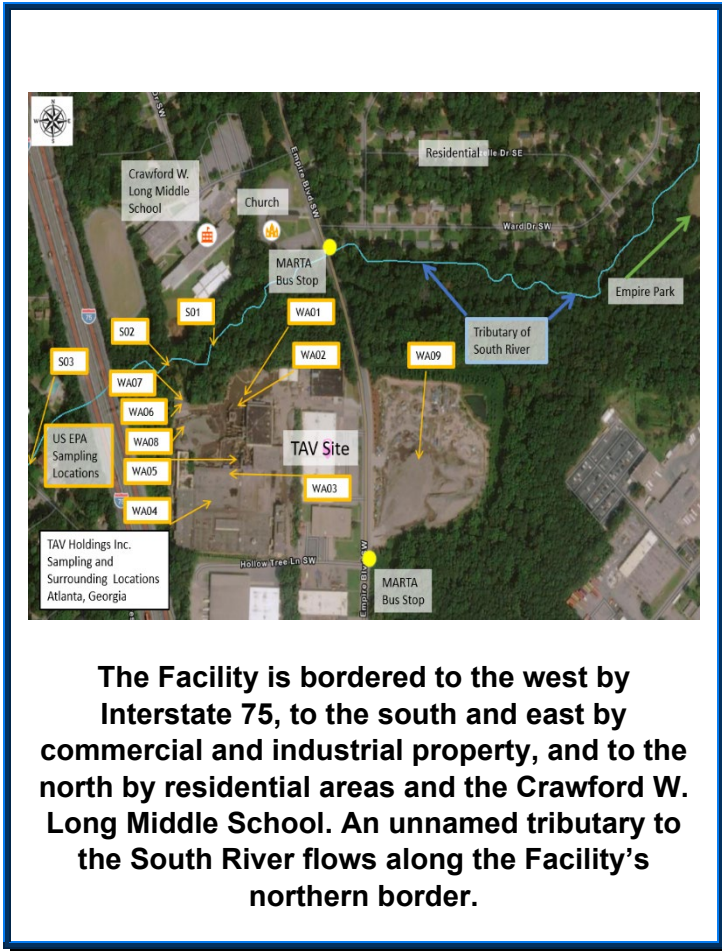


Figure 1 - TAV Sample Locations

Background

Since 2015, TAV has received and processed various solid wastes, such as automobile shredder residue, aluminum shredder residue, and waste electrical equipment. At its Facility, TAV attempts to recover metals, such as copper, from such materials. The Facility operates on approximately 37 acres and is in an area with potential environmental justice concerns.



Previous Inspections and Site Visits

During inspections and site visits, EPA and GA EPD observed significant concerns related to TAV's operations, including its management of waste, wastewater, and stormwater. Inspectors observed evidence that wastewater had run off site into the creek. The inspectors observed

large waste piles at the Facility, all of which lacked containment and/or other measures to prevent releases of waste directly to the environment.

EPA collected waste samples from various locations at the Facility, as well as sediment and surface water samples from the creek. The sampling results indicated that the lead concentrations detected in five (5) waste samples, and two (2) sediment samples from the creek, exceeded the Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) regulatory limit for lead (5 milligrams per liter or mg/L). Waste exceeding the regulatory limit for lead is a RCRA-regulated hazardous waste.

EPA determined that the Facility's operation and management of waste has resulted in releases of solid and hazardous waste into the environment which may present an imminent and substantial endangerment to human health and the environment.

Community Engagement

EPA will continue to update the community through fact sheets, email notifications, or public meetings as necessary. If you or someone you know would like to be added to our EPA distribution list to receive updates, please email your request to miller.angela@epa.gov.

Site-related documents and recorded public meetings can be found at: www.epa.gov.ga/tav-holdings-inc-rcra-order-ga.