

Community Involvement Activities Throughout the Superfund Remedial Process

Community Involvement Tools are bolded and in italics.

Required Activities

Discovery	PA/SI	Listing Process	RI/FS	ROD	RD/RA	O&M	NPL Deletion
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Recommended Activities

	<p><u>National Priorities List (NPL) Listing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public notice • Public comments • Responsiveness summary • Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) notification 	<p><u>Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct community interviews • Prepare Community Involvement Plan (CIP) • Establish information repository (IR) and administrative record • Public notice • TAG notification <p><u>RI/FS Completion & Proposed Plan</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public notice • Public meeting • Public comments • Responsiveness summary 	<p><u>Pre-Record of Decision (ROD) Significant Changes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public notice • Public comment • Public meeting • Responsiveness summary <p><u>ROD Issuance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public notice • Public comment • Review CIP & revise if necessary <p><u>Post-ROD Significant Changes/ROD Amendment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issuance of an explanation of significant differences • Public notice • Public comment • Public meeting • Responsiveness summary 	<p><u>Remedial Design/Remedial Action (RD/RA)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fact sheet on RD • Public meeting at RD completion prior to RA, if appropriate <p><u>Consent Decree</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal Register notice • Public comment • Responsiveness summary 	<p><u>Operations and Maintenance (O&M)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Five-year review • Five-year review results summary available in IR 	<p><u>NPL Deletion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal Register notice announcing intent to delete • Public notice • Public comment period • Responsiveness summary • Add deletion docket to IR
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<p><u>Preliminary Assessment/Site Inspection (PA/SI)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet with local officials & opinion leaders • Fact sheet • Risk communication • Designate a Community Involvement Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create website or social media page • Offer public meeting and webinar on Superfund process • Press release 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations to community • Informational public meetings before RI begins • Regular community visits • Community advisory groups • Media visits • Public availability/poster sessions • Speak to schools and civic groups • Offer workshop on Superfund process • Regular briefings for local officials • Technical assistance needs assessment • Offer community visioning for site reuse • Contact the Conflict Prevention and Resolution Center (CPRC) for alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations to community • Offer site tour or virtual site tour • Public meetings or conference calls to explain ROD • Workshops or webinars on cleanup technology • Fact sheet to explain process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public briefing prior to RA • Presentations to community • Post on website or social media page • Contact CPRC for ADR services • Focus groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review CIP • Issue press release • Post on website or social media page • Communication strategy • Public meeting • Public availability/poster session 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ceremony or special event to commemorate completion and recognize community members
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Community involvement and planning for a site's reuse and redevelopment are integral to the entire process