



Baghurst Drive Superfund Site

Community Update

Upper Salford Township, Pennsylvania

November 2021

Site Update:

The contract to establish a waterline to the residences affected by the volatile organic compound (VOC) contamination is awarded. Starting from Bavington Road in Lower Frederick Township, the waterline will run across the Perkiomen Creek and along Perkiomen Trail before continuing onto Salford Street, and finally going up Old Church Road to Hendricks and Baghurst Drive. In addition to the waterline extension, there will be construction of a pump house, chlorination system, and storage tank that will be located at the baseball field side of Rahmer Park. EPA is working closely with Upper Salford Township and the Schwenksville Water Authority to finalize this project and will coordinate throughout the construction, which is scheduled to begin winter 2021. The anticipated completion date is early summer 2022. Affected residences will continue to receive water deliveries and treatment system maintenance until they are connected to the waterline.

Site Background:

The site consists of a groundwater plume contaminated with VOCs. The plume affects a small community of single family homes, a sizable number of which draw their water from a community well. The source of the VOCs is under investigation.

Next Steps:

EPA will work with residents to determine the exact point of waterline entry into their homes, in addition to helping residents get proper account paperwork submitted for the water service account. EPA will fund the installation and hookup of the waterline, and each resident will be responsible for the water bill. After connecting to the waterline, EPA will also remove the treatment system and properly close out each residential well, as required to connect to public water.

Resources:

To learn more about the Baghurst Superfund Site, visit:
epa.gov/superfund/baghurst

To learn more about the waterline effort being handled under EPA's response program, visit:
response.epa.gov/baghurst

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