



Notice of Public Comment Period and Public Meeting

The Memphis Depot

Proposed Cleanup Plan for the Main Installation

The Memphis Depot Caretaker will hold a 30-day public comment period and public comment meeting to allow citizens the opportunity to provide comments on proposed cleanup alternatives for the Main Installation of the former Memphis Depot.

The Main Installation Proposed Plan presents cleanup alternatives for soil at the Main Installation and for groundwater in the shallow water-bearing layer (fluvial aquifer) under the Main Installation. Since the *Memphis Depot Redevelopment Plan* indicates the property will continue to be used as an industrial facility, the cleanup will meet industrial standards for future use. Two exceptions to this are the Housing and Recreational Areas, which will continue to be used for temporary housing and recreation purposes.

The preferred cleanup alternative for soil:

Excavating small areas of affected soil and using Institutional Controls, such as:

- prohibiting the construction of homes;
- allowing only industrial activities across most of the Main Installation, and
- allowing only recreational use of the Golf Course and Southeast Recreational Area

The Excavation alternative also includes:

Transporting all removed soil for disposal in a permitted landfill. Areas where soil is removed will be filled with clean soil, and the area will be landscaped to restore the area to its original condition. The cleanup of soil should be completed one year from the start of this preferred alternative.

The preferred cleanup alternative for groundwater is Enhanced Bioremediation:

This alternative uses the addition of nutrients to enhance the natural breakdown of compounds found in the groundwater. This alternative calls for continued sampling of groundwater to monitor changes in levels of the compounds. Officials will be alerted if affected groundwater begins to move off the Main Installation or if a more aggressive treatment becomes necessary.

This alternative also includes Institutional Controls to prohibit the installation of production wells to use this shallow groundwater for drinking water. The Environmental Protection Agency and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation will review the effectiveness of this alternative at five-year intervals. The 30-day comment period begins August 14, 2000 and ends September 13, 2000. Copies of the Main Installation Proposed Plan will be available for public review at our four Information Repositories at the Memphis Depot, Cherokee Branch Library, Memphis/Shelby County Health Department, and the Hillview Neighborhood Network Center on Alcy Road beginning August 14, 2000. Written and oral comments on the Proposed Plan will be accepted until September 13, 2000. Written comments can be submitted to:

Defense Logistics Agency
Memphis Depot Caretaker Division
2163 Airways Blvd., Bldg. 144
ATTN: BRAC Environmental Coordinator
Memphis, TN 38114-5210

Oral comments can be made on the Depot's Environmental Information Line by calling (901) 544-0618.

What: Availability Session and Public Comment Meeting:

Proposed Cleanup Plan for the Main Installation

When: Thursday, August 24, 2000

5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Community Availability Session

Ask agency representatives questions at your leisure

6:00 - 8:30 p.m. Public Comment Meeting

Hear a briefing about cleanup alternatives and provide comments

Where: The Memphis Depot, 2163 Airways Blvd., Memphis, TN

"J" Street Cafe

Enter at Memphis Depot Parkway and follow the signs.

Please note that public comments will not be responded to during the public comment meeting. Written responses to oral and written comments relative to this cleanup project will be available to the public at the Information Repositories after the public comment period.

If you have any questions or comments, please call Alma Black Moore, Community Relations Specialist, at (901) 544-0613.

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