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August 16, 2018

Directorate of Public Works

Dear Interested Party,

U.S. Army Garrison, Fort McCoy, is hereby giving notice that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will be accepting public comments regarding the EPA's proposal to modify the federal portion of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permit issued to U.S. Army Garrison, Fort McCoy.

The permit modification includes the determination that all necessary remedial actions at the 11 Fort McCoy areas listed in the permit have been completed, that these areas have met the requirements for closure, and that corrective actions may be terminated. The EPA has prepared a *Statement of Basis* explaining the draft determination that all necessary remedial and monitoring activities have been completed as required in the federal permit for Fort McCoy. The *Statement of Basis* describing the proposed permit modification is available for public inspection at the Sparta and Tomah Public Libraries in Wisconsin, and the EPA Region 5 offices in Chicago, Illinois.

The EPA encourages the public to review the proposed permit modification. A public comment period on this draft determination is being held from July 30, 2018, through September 27, 2018. Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Public Notice that appeared on July 30, 2018, in the Monroe County Herald and on August 3, 2018, in the Tomah Journal. A public information session will be held at the Sparta American Legion, on September 5, 2018, from 5-8 P.M. Representatives from the EPA, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and the U.S. Army Garrison, Fort McCoy, will be present at this session to answer questions and provide information.

For information or questions regarding the proposed permit modification, please contact EPA Project Manager, Colleen Olsberg, at (312) 353-4686 or olsberg.colleen@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James R. Hessil".

James R. Hessil
Chief, Environmental Division
Directorate of Public Works

Enclosure



PUBLIC NOTICE
EPA Proposes Permit Modification
For U.S. Army's Garrison-Fort McCoy Facility
Fort McCoy, Wisconsin

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency proposes to modify the federal portion of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permit issued to the U. S. Army Garrison – Fort McCoy facility and will be accepting public comments on the proposed modification.

The facility is located on Wisconsin State Highway 21 between Sparta and Tomah. A permit issued in 1988 required an environmental investigation of 11 areas at Fort McCoy. This investigation indicated the presence of contaminants in soil and groundwater at Fort McCoy and recommended corrective measures. The proposed modification includes the determination that all necessary remedial actions at Fort McCoy have been completed as part of the permit, that all areas have met the requirements for closure, and that corrective action conditions in the permit may be terminated.

Any person interested in submitting comments on the proposed permit modification must do so during the 60-day comment period, by September 27, 2018. All comments should be submitted in writing to:

U.S. EPA
Land and Chemicals Division (LU-16J)
ATTN: Colleen Olsberg
77 W. Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604-3590

A public hearing on the proposed permit modification will be held if a written notice of opposition to the permit modification, together with a request for the hearing, is received at the address above during the public comment period. The request must state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. An announcement will then be published in the legal section of a major or local newspaper, identifying the date, time and location of the hearing. Anyone may submit oral or written statements and data concerning the proposed permit modification at the hearing. The public comment period will be extended until at the least the close of the hearing. All relevant comments will be considered in making the final decision.

An information session will be held at the Sparta American Legion at 1116 Angelo Road, on September 5, 2018, from 5 - 8 p.m. Representatives of EPA, the Wisconsin

Department of Natural Resources and the U. S. Army will be available at this session to answer questions and provide information. The proposed permit modification and a document called the *Statement of Basis* explaining the modification are available for public inspection and copying at the Sparta Public Library, 124 W. Main St.; the Tomah Public Library, 716 Superior Ave.; and at the EPA Region 5 offices in Chicago. For information or questions about the proposed permit modification, contact EPA Project Manager Colleen Olsberg, 312-353-4686 or olsberg.colleen@epa.gov.