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MOSS-AMERICAN SUPERFUND SITE MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN SPRING - 1988

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INTRODUCTION

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in cooperation with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR), will be conducting detailed investigations of the Moss-American Superfund Site.

The site is located in the northwestern part of the City of Milwaukee. The 88-acre site is bounded by the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad (C&NWRR) and Brown Deer Road to the north and the Wisconsin and Southern Railroad to the south. The Little Menomonee River also flows through the site (see map).

SITE HISTORY

This Superfund site is the former location of a plant where wood products were treated with creosote and then stored. Creosote wastes were directly discharged into the Little Menomonee River from 1921 to 1971. The plant, which operated for 55 years, has been divided into two separate properties. The C&NWRR uses the western 23 acres for automobile storage and loading. The Milwaukee Park Commission has designated the remaining 65 acres as a public parkway. The area owned by C&NWRR is fenced on all sides. The area owned by the county is not fenced, but does have warning signs that indicate the possible presence of hazardous materials.

UPCOMING INVESTIGATION

EPA's investigations are scheduled to begin in May. Contractors will then be setting up field offices and equipment. On-site work will include drilling wells; digging trenches; and sampling soil and river sediment. This work is necessary to determine the amount of creosote present in the soil and in the river.

WARNING

Since a large area of the site is unfenced, the EPA is seeking the cooperation of area residents in restricting their use of the Little Menomonee River Parkway. There will be construction equipment on site which may appeal to young children. We ask that you discuss with your children the dangers of "playing" on and near this equipment.

There is also creosote present on the premises and in the Little Menomonee River bottom. Creosote is a strong irritant and may cause burning, itching, eye injuries, skin inflammation and discoloration. If creosote is ingested in large quantities, it may have toxic effects such as skin cancer and gene defects. So please, discourage children from playing in the area and in the Little Menomonee River south of the site.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION

Information on the Moss American site may be obtained by reviewing documents that have been prepared for the project. Copies of applicable laws, community relations plan, technical work plan and other site-related documents are available to the public in U.S. EPA's information repository at:

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6431 North 76th St.
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(414) 278-3088

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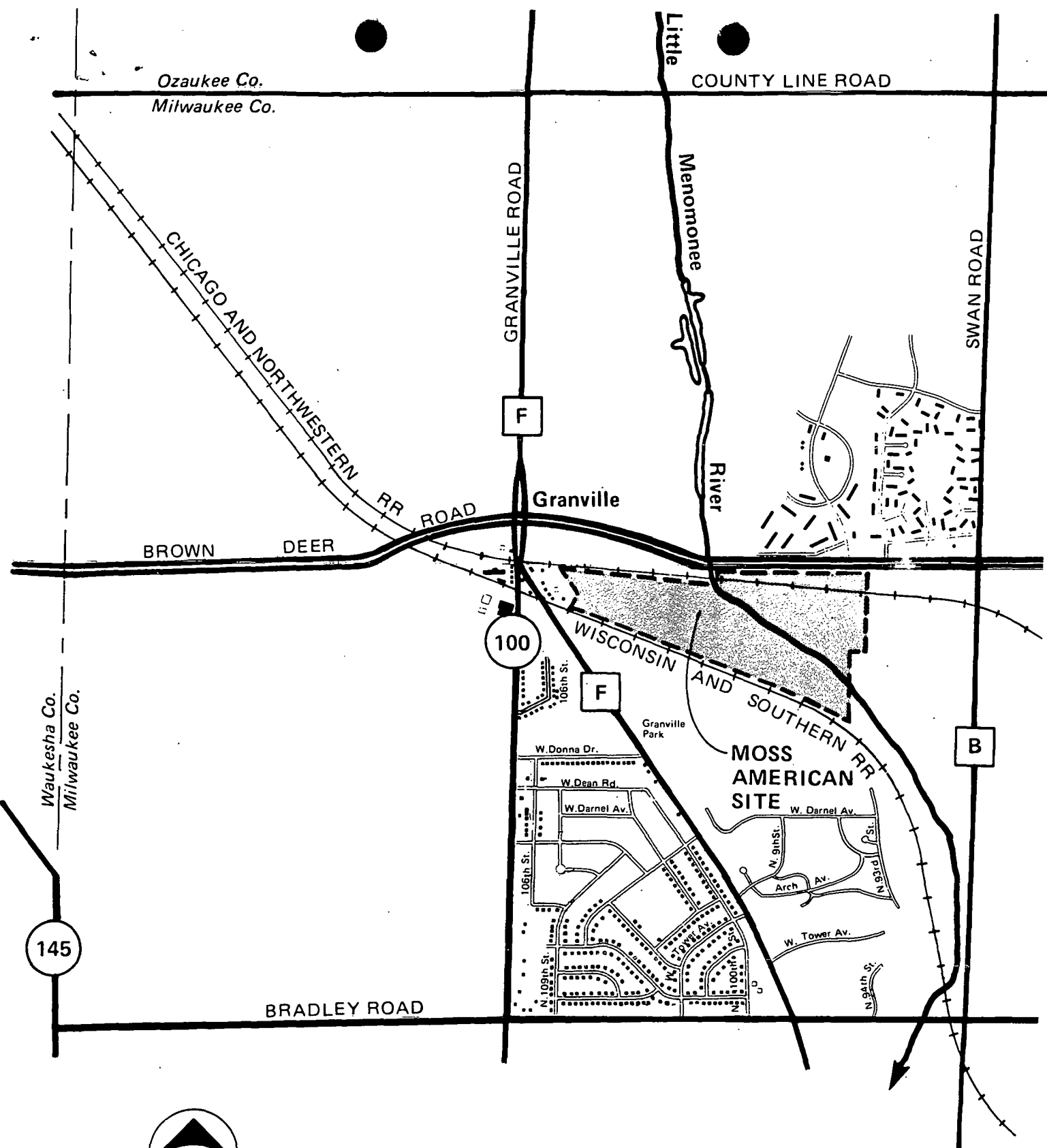
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NOTE: Residential units and other buildings shown only for the major subdivisions adjacent to site.

SOURCE: Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin
USGS Quadrangle Map

FIGURE 1
LOCATION MAP
MOSS AMERICAN