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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Reviews Cleanup at Ramapo Landfill Superfund Site Superfund Site

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is conducting its sixth five-year review of the cleanup for the Ramapo Landfill Superfund site, located in Rockland County, Town of Ramapo, New York. This review seeks to confirm that the implemented cleanup plan is protective of people's health and the environment.

The Town of Ramapo, under New York State Department of Environmental Conservation oversight, constructed a leachate collection system in the 1980s. The leachate was sent to a wastewater treatment pond and discharged to the Ramapo River.

In March 1992, the EPA finalized a cleanup plan that included installing a cap on the top of the landfill using a multimedia system, including layers of fill material, a gas-venting system, and an impermeable membrane on the top of the landfill; installing groundwater extraction wells to supplement the existing leachate collection system; installing a perimeter drain around the sections of the cap containing the impermeable membrane to collect and divert surface water runoff; collecting and diverting leachate seeps to the existing leachate collection system; implementing institutional controls to prevent installing drinking water wells at the site and activities which could affect the integrity of the cap; and developing a long-term monitoring program.

The EPA will include a summary of these cleanup activities and evaluation of the protectiveness of the plan in the upcoming five-year review report, which is scheduled to be completed by early **February 2025**.

What is an EPA Five-Year Review?

The EPA inspects Superfund sites every five years to ensure that cleanups conducted remain fully protective of people's health and the environment. These regular reviews, which are required by federal law when contaminants remain at a site, include:

- Inspecting the site and cleanup technologies;
- Reviewing monitoring data, operating data, and maintenance records; and
- Determining if any new regulatory requirements have been established since EPA's original cleanup decision was finalized.

For more information

The Administrative Record, which includes the EPA documents used for selecting the cleanup plan, is available for public review at:

EPA Region 2, Superfund Records Center
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New York, NY 10007-1866
Phone: (212) 637-4308 (Call for an appointment)

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