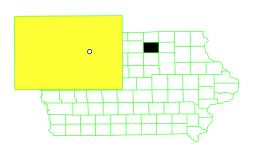
LABOUNTY SITE

IOWA EPA ID# IAD980631063



EPA Region 7
City: Charles City
County: Floyd County

Other Names:

04/08/2009

SITE DESCRIPTION

The Labounty Site covers 8 acres on the Cedar River flood plain. From 1953 to 1977, Salsbury Laboratories, a manufacturer of veterinary pharmaceuticals, disposed of over 6 million cubic feet of sludges containing various compounds and metals on the site. This resulted in the contamination of a shallow ground water aquifer that connects to the Cedar River. Investigations by EPA and the Iowa Department of Environmental Quality in 1977 and 1978, revealed that major waste components leached from the site via ground water to the Cedar River. The State of Iowa ordered the site closed in 1977. That same year, Salsbury constructed a 24-well ground water monitoring system. Approximately 10,000 people live within 3 miles of the site, and the nearest residence is 1,000 feet from the site. Residents in the area use ground water in the adjacent aquifer for drinking water supplies.

Site Responsibility:

This site was addressed through Federal, State, and potentially responsible parties' actions.

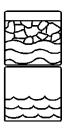
NPL LISTING HISTORY

Proposed Date: 12/30/82

Final Date: 09/08/83

Deleted Date: 10/06/93

THREATS AND CONTAMINANTS



Volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and arsenic leached into the ground water and surface water from the disposal site. Drinking contaminated surface water and ground water or inhaling volatilized contaminants from the site were potential threats to individuals prior to cleanup.

CLEANUP APPROACH

Response Action Status

The State of Iowa issued an Administrative Order in 1977 that required the owner, Salsbury Laboratories, to prevent runoff, cease operations, and submit a plan for the removal of wastes. The parties potentially responsible for the site contamination installed a ground water monitoring system in 1979, and a clay cap in 1980. The capping has effectively reduced the leaching of wastes located above the water table. However, capping was not effective in reducing pollutant leaching where wastes were placed below the water table. Therefore, in 1985, EPA and Salsbury entered into an Administrative Order on Consent for the construction of the upgradient diversion wall and monitoring system in the upper and lower Cedar Valley aquifers. Between 1985 and 1986, under EPA oversight, the potentially responsible parties installed an upgradient ground water diversion wall. The wall diverts ground water around the fill material into the Cedar River. EPA has conducted five-year reviews of the site in 1992, 2000, and 2005, and found that the site remedy remains protective of human health and the environment. The operation and maintenance activities are ongoing. The PRP, Wyeth, conducts ground water monitoring and surface water monitoring of the Cedar River and performs site inspections.

Site Facts:			

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRESS

All cleanup activities have been completed at the Labounty Site. The responsible party, Wyeth, continues ground water monitoring and surface water monitoring to test the effectiveness of the completed cleanup actions. The next five-year review is scheduled for 2010. The site was deleted from the National Priorities List (NPL) in 1993.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

8/00 - Fact Sheet announcing proposed plan and public meeting 9/14/00. Display ad notification in the *Charles City Press*.

1/01 - Fact Sheet announcing EPA plan to take no additional action to address ground water at the site and Display ad notification in the *Charles City Press* .

3/05 - Fact Sheet announcing start of third 5-year review and display ad notification in the *Charles City Press*.

11/05 - Fact Sheet announcing completion of third 5-year review and display ad notification in the *Charles City Press*.

SITE REPOSITORY



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CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: 04

EPA ORGANIZATION: SFD-MOKS/SUPR

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