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Environmental Sampling Set to Start Viburnum Trend, Viburnum, Missouri

INTRODUCTION

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 7 will perform sampling in the Viburnum Trend Lead Mining Area. The Viburnum Trend mining area is located in southeastern Missouri, primarily within Iron and Reynolds Counties. The contaminant of concern is lead from mining operations.

BACKGROUND

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) conducted sampling on the Viburnum Trend Haul Roads (VTNR) Site in 2003. The VTNR site includes homes and yards along sections of Missouri State Routes 21, 32, 49, 72, B, J, KK, N, and TT. The sampling revealed several contaminated yards. Additional sampling throughout the Viburnum Trend, including the City of Viburnum, is planned for Summer 2004.

EPA is in the process of finding and negotiating with responsible parties to conduct cleanup of contaminated yards. Future cleanup plans will involve excavating and disposing of lead-impacted residential soils. A lead health education program is currently being organized by the State and Local health departments.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

**EPA will host an informal meeting
Thursday, June 10, 2004
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Viburnum City Hall
#1 Missouri Avenue
Viburnum, Missouri**

You are encouraged to attend the meeting to receive information and get questions answered. EPA and MDNR staff members will be giving presentations from about 6p.m. to 7p.m. Following the presentations, staff will be available to answer questions one-on-one. You can attend the meeting at your convenience between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Questions regarding the status of residential properties or the mine waste cleanup will be answered, and general information will be provided. For more information, please call:

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NEXT STEPS

More residential properties still need to be sampled. EPA will hold an informal public availability meeting on **Thursday, June 10, 2004, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.** at the Viburnum City Hall, #1 Missouri Avenue, in Viburnum, Missouri.

The meeting is scheduled so the public can attend in the afternoon or early evening, after work, at their convenience. MDNR and EPA will give short presentations from 6p.m. to 7p.m.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Prior to cleanup, the Viburnum Trend Lead site Administrative Record will be available for public review. The Administrative Record contains relevant information concerning the Viburnum Trend site and will be available at the following locations during normal business hours:

Ozark Regional Library
#1 Missouri Ave.
Viburnum, Missouri
(573) 244-5986

EPA Region 7
Records Center
901 N. 5th Street
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If you have questions about this fact sheet, or the site, please contact:

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