



Land Revitalization Program Breathing New Life into Old Waste Sites Spring 2005

Prime Property Ready in Booming Philadelphia Exurb A.I.W. Frank/Mid-County Mustang, Exton, Chester County, PA



The A.I.W. Frank/Mid-County Mustang Superfund site was contaminated by manufacturing and auto repair. The photo on the left was taken in the early 1990s before cleanup. The photo on the right is current, showing the pump and treat system which is cleaning the groundwater.

Location

The 16-acre A.I.W. Frank/Mid-County Mustang site is located in Exton, Chester County, a rapidly developing exurb on the outskirts of Philadelphia near Routes 30 and 100.

Current Status

The construction phase of the cleanup was completed at the site in 2000, including hookups to the public water supply for local residents and ongoing pumping and treating to clean contaminated groundwater. EPA will maintain the pump and treat system for 10 years.

Current Owner

The site is divided into two parts — one owned by an individual named Louis Frame and the other by CDS Investments, Inc.

Potential Future Uses

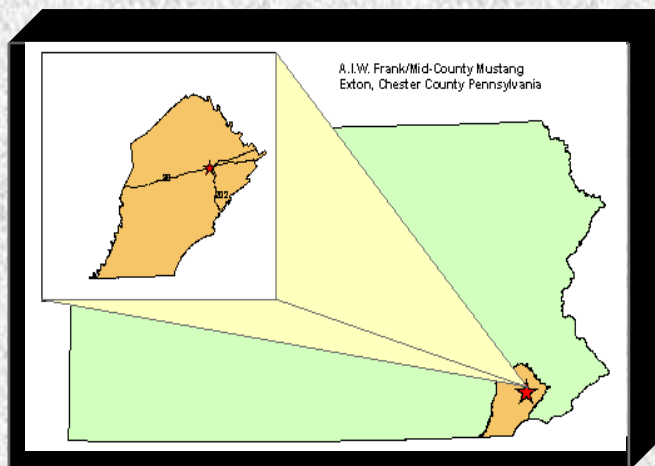
The township has zoned the site for commercial or office campus uses. The only caveat for developers would be that the groundwater pump and treat system must not be compromised, including a prohibition on drilling new wells.

Past Use

From 1962 to 1981 the site was used to produce Styrofoam cups and plates. In 1981, Continental Refrigerator Co. bought the site to produce refrigerators, freezers and warming cabinets. One acre of the property was leased to Mid-County Mustang from 1982 to 1984 for automobile repairs and body work.

Past Contamination

Solvents used to clean engines were dumped into floor drains and then flowed onto a stone drain field. Various contaminants were found in the drains, drain field and soil. Groundwater monitoring wells found that groundwater was contaminated mainly with trichloroethylene, a chemical component of solvents.



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