

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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### **U.S. ARMY AT PICATINNY ARSENAL ANNOUNCES NOTICE OF FIVE-YEAR REVIEW & RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

The U.S. Army at Picatinny Arsenal, New Jersey completed its fifth Five-Year Review (FYR). The FYR process includes team members from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Picatinny Arsenal, and the U.S. Army Environmental Command. The FYR was reviewed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 2 and New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP). This FYR was conducted as a statutory review to meet the requirements of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980. The FYR process is required because hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants remain at the site above levels that allow for unlimited use and unrestricted exposure. This FYR included 19 sites or groups of sites that have signed Records of Decision (RODs) and reviewed the five-year period from 2011 through 2016. The purpose of the FYR is to evaluate the performance of the remedy, determine whether the remedy remains protective of human health and the environment and is functioning as intended based on the decision documents, and assesses whether the remedy will continue to be protective in the future.

The following 19 sites were included in this FYR: Site 23 (PICA-065) - Post Farm Landfill, Site 20/24 (PICA-066) - Pyrotechnic Testing Range/Sanitary Landfill, Site 25/26 (PICA-067) – Former Sanitary Landfill/Dredge Pile, Area D (PICA-076) Groundwater, Area E (PICA-077) Groundwater, Site 180 (PICA-093) – Former Waste Burial Area, Green Pond Brook and Bear Swamp Brook (PICA-193), Group of 11 Sites (PICA-020), Site 61/104 (PICA-102) - Former Waste Dumps and Chemical Laboratories, Area B (PICA-205) Groundwater, Site 31/101 (PICA-072) - Former DRMO Yard, Area C (PICA-206) Groundwater, Group 3 Sites (PICA-008) Groundwater, and Group 1 Sites (PICA-079), Site 34 (PICA-002) - Former Lower Burning Grounds, Site 78 (PICA-013) Groundwater and Surface Water, Mid-Valley (PICA-204) Groundwater, 25 Site Group, and 21 Site Group.

The USEPA concurred with the protectiveness determinations made in the 5YR in a letter dated August 24<sup>th</sup>. Both the USEPA and NJDEP approved the report in correspondence dated August 24<sup>th</sup> and August 12, 2016, respectively. In accordance with CERCLA, remedies will continue to be evaluated for effectiveness and protectiveness every five years until the cleanups are complete.

Copies of the FYR Report are available to the public at:

**Picatinny Arsenal Environmental Restoration Web page:**  
<http://www.pica.army.mil/envrestore/FiveYearReview.aspx>

**Picatinny Installation Restoration Library**  
Building 319, Picatinny, NJ 07806-5000, (973) 724-6748  
(Arrangements are needed for admittance to Picatinny; call Mr. Ted Gabel for an appointment.)

**Rockaway Township Library**  
61 Mount Hope Road, Rockaway Township, NJ 07866, (973) 627-2344  
Hours: 9am - 9pm M-F; 9am - 5pm Sat; 1pm – 4pm Sun

**Morris County Library**  
30 East Hanover Avenue, Whippany, NJ 07981, (973) 285-6930  
Hours: 9am - 9pm M-Th; 9 am - 5 pm F-Sat; 1pm – 5pm Sun

The Administrative Record file for Picatinny Arsenal that formed the basis for the findings of the report, is available to the public at the Picatinny Installation Restoration Library.

**PUBLIC INVITED TO RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

The next Environmental Restoration Advisory Board meeting will be on Thursday, October 6, 6:45 p.m. at the Cannon Gate Conference Center on Picatinny Arsenal. Advance notice to Ted Gabel is required to obtain a visitor's pass.

**For more information or to obtain a visitor's pass for the meeting, please contact during normal business hours:**

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