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Plume remediation facility takes shape

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A dusting of snow Tuesday covered the infield at Caroline Avenue Park in Port Jefferson. Meanwhile construction continued on the pump-and-treat facility designed by the federal Environmental Protection Agency to remediate the groundwater pol-

luted with volatile organic compounds from Lawrence Aviation Industries.

Vapor intrusion

Results from the latest round of vapor intrusion testing by the EPA have been negative.

The EPA last March and April

sampled air at 20 residences and the Port Jefferson High School for VOCs. None of the samples taken detected VOCs, EPA spokesman John Senn confirmed in an email yesterday.

Since February 2006, 70 separate residences, the high school and Village Hall have been tested for VOCs. Three vapor mitigation systems were installed at residences and one at the high

Above: The EPA builds a pump-and-treat facility in Caroline Avenue Park to remediate the Lawrence Aviation groundwater plume. The structure will rise about another 10 feet in height when complete. Inset: Interested members of the public may take a fact sheet from an 'Info Box' at the job site.

school, Senn said.

"Sampling results to date indicate that there have been no public health issues related to indoor air quality inside any of the buildings sampled within the plume area," Senn told The

Port Times Record yesterday.

Senn also said about 200 tons of lead-contaminated soil were removed Dec. 9 from the LAI site in Port Jefferson Station and hauled to a facility in York, Pa.



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