



# Apco Mossberg Site

## Community Update

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection are working closely with the City of Attleboro to address environmental contamination at the Apco Mossberg Company, Inc. Site. Below is the first in a series of updates on the project.

### Cleanup Activities to Begin Next Week

EPA is working closely with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MADEP) and the City of Attleboro to address contamination at the Apco Mossberg Company, Inc. Site at 100-101 Lamb Street in Attleboro, Massachusetts. The 11-acre property was a former manufacturing facility.

Previous investigations by EPA revealed that contaminants, mainly lead, barium, and cadmium, are present in soils and debris piles on the property. In addition, PCB-contaminated capacitors, compressed gas cylinders and aerosol canisters have been identified on-site. The available data indicates that these hazardous materials are linked to former manufacturing activities conducted on the property between 1900 and 1987.

EPA will begin work next week to stabilize the site. As part of the cleanup, EPA will:

- repair or install additional fencing and warning signs around the perimeter of the site;
- collect and analyze samples from the soil and waste piles to further characterize the extent of contamination; and
- remove gas cylinders, aerosol canisters, and capacitor parts from the site.

Additional actions that EPA will conduct in the spring include:

- excavating and consolidating contaminated debris piles and surface soils;
- disposing of waste materials off-site at EPA-approved facilities; and
- backfilling the excavated areas with clean fill materials.

### What to Expect During EPA's Removal Action

Air monitoring and dust suppression measures will be conducted to ensure that cleanup activities do not impact the air quality of residents and pedestrians in the vicinity of the work area.

On-site workers will be wearing personal protective gear while conducting cleanup activities, including impermeable white suits and respirators. This level of protection is mandated by federal laws.

Access to the work area will be restricted and measures will be taken to ensure that contaminated materials are not tracked or allowed to migrate beyond the work area.

### For More Information Please Call

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Additional information is available at  
[www.epaosc.net/ApcoMossberg](http://www.epaosc.net/ApcoMossberg)

## Please do Your Part to Help Out During the Cleanup

Please obey the warning signs and remind children not to enter the work area.

Please call the site contacts if you have any questions or concerns about the project.