

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PLAN

**ANTIQUE CHROME SHOP SITE – FORMER HOYT MACHINE SHOP OU1
(REMOVAL)
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THE U. S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S (EPA)
SUPERFUND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM IS COMMITTED
TO PROMOTING COMMUNICATION BETWEEN CITIZENS AND THE AGENCY.

ACTIVE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IS CRUCIAL TO THE SUCCESS OF ANY PUBLIC PROJECT.

EPA'S COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES AT THE
ANTIQUE CHROME SHOP – FORMER HOYT MACHINE SHOP OU1 REMOVAL SITE
ARE DESIGNED TO:

INFORM THE PUBLIC OF THE NATURE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH THE SITE,
INVOLVE THE PUBLIC IN THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS THAT WILL AFFECT THEM,
INVOLVE THE PUBLIC IN THE RESPONSES UNDER CONSIDERATION TO REMEDY THESE ISSUES, AND
INFORM THE PUBLIC OF THE PROGRESS BEING MADE TO IMPLEMENT THE REMEDY.

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Section 1.0

Overview of the Community Involvement Plan

EPA developed this Community Involvement Plan to facilitate two-way communication between the community surrounding the Antique Chrome Shop - Former Hoyt Machine Shop OU1 Removal Site and EPA and to encourage community involvement in site activities. EPA will utilize the community involvement activities outlined in this plan to ensure that residents are continuously informed and provided opportunities to be involved.

This Community Involvement Plan addresses the site's relationship to the community and EPA (Section 2.0), provides a background of the community (Section 3.0), presents EPA's community involvement program (Section 4.0), and provides a listing of resources available (Appendices). EPA drew upon several information sources to develop this plan, including community interviews and site files. EPA Region 5 will oversee the implementation of the community involvement activities outlined in this Plan.

Section 2.0

Site Description

2.1 Site History

The Site was used for industrial purposes beginning in the mid to late 1920's by Charles D. Hoyt, then later Hoyt Machine, Universal Construction Co, Omni Technology Corporation, and various metal plating businesses. The Site was operated as a plating shop from 2003 until 2011. The plating shop had various names including Big R Plating & Polishing, Best Antique Polishing and Buffing, Antique Chrome Shop, and Antique Polishing and Buffing. EPA conducted an emergency response action at the Site in 2011 to dispose of abandoned drums and other containers of plating shop waste.

In December 2019, the City of Indianapolis referred the site to EPA for a time-critical removal action because of high concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOC) and metals in site soil and groundwater.

EPA conducted a site assessment in May 2020 and detected high concentrations of VOCs in soil and soil gas. On July 21, 2020, EPA signed an Action Memorandum to conduct a time-critical removal action (TCRA). The TCRA will include treating soil contaminated with VOCs in situ; conducting pre- and post-treatment sampling and monitoring; excavating soil above action levels that remains in the top two feet following treatment; sampling nearby residential properties for vapor intrusion; and installing vapor mitigation systems, as needed.

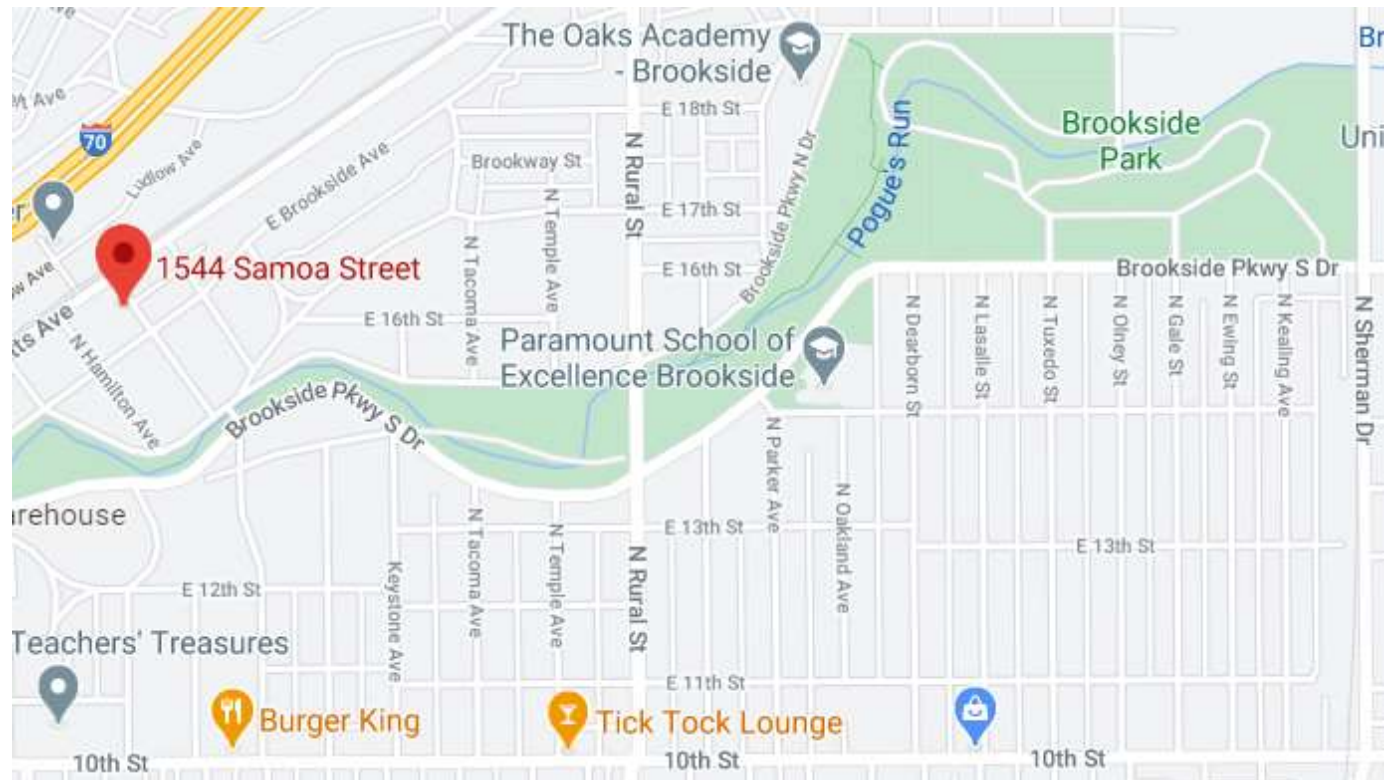
This Community Involvement Plan was developed throughout August to November 2020 and may be updated as needed.

2.2 Location

The Former Hoyt Manufacturing Shop Site, also known as the Antique Chrome Shop, is located at 1544 Samoa Street in Indianapolis, Indiana, 46201. The Site is located at the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Samoa Street, approximately two miles northeast of downtown Indianapolis. The Site contains two dilapidated buildings, including a garage/warehouse and a residence, located along the southeastern property boundary. The site previously contained a 3,280-square foot building and 1,794-square foot building that were demolished in 2012.

The Site is near a neighborhood of Indianapolis referred to as “Spades Park,” bounded by Brookside Park to the north, North Sherman Drive to the east, 10th Street to the south, and North Rural Street to the west. The neighborhood was formerly called the “Brookside Bunch.”

Below is a map showing location of neighborhood:



Below is a map showing location of Site:



2.3 Site Inspections and Cleanup Activities

EPA found that an environmental problem known as “vapor intrusion” may be occurring. Vapor intrusion takes place when chemicals in soil and groundwater give off gases that can rise through the soil and seep into buildings through foundations, to potentially be inhaled.

Trichloroethylene, or TCE, quickly evaporates from surface water, so it is commonly found as a vapor in the air. It is also a common groundwater contaminant. TCE dissolves in water, but it can remain in groundwater for a long time. It is usually when TCE volatilizes from groundwater that vapors can then impact indoor air, which may be happening here.

TCE is a colorless, volatile liquid. Liquid TCE evaporates quickly into the air. It is nonflammable and has a sweet odor. The two major uses of TCE are as a solvent to remove grease from metal parts and as a chemical that is used to make other chemicals, especially refrigerants. TCE has also been used as an extraction solvent for greases, oils, fats, waxes, and tars; by the textile processing industry to scour cotton, wool, and other fabrics; in dry cleaning operations; and as a component of adhesives, lubricants, paints, varnishes, paint strippers, pesticides, and cold metal cleaners. The health effects of TCE depend on how much you are exposed to and the length of that exposure.

Section 3.0

Community Background

3.1 Community Profile

The Site is located within the City of Indianapolis, in a neighborhood often referred to as “Spades Park.” This specific area of Spades Park is a half-mile in radius with a population of approximately 2,500. EPA’s online EJScreen tool (available for public use at <https://ejscreen.epa.gov/mapper/>) shows the following statistics regarding these residents:

- 1,367 housing units (69% occupied, 31% vacant)
- 1,228 housing units built before 1950
- 53% owner-occupied, 47% rentals
- \$13,877 per-capita income (considered a low-income population)
- 47% male, 53% female
- 71% of residents are over the age of 18
- Considered 55% minority population; 63% Caucasian, 26% African American, 1% Pacific Islander (remainder report two or more races)
- 20% identify as Hispanic (13% of residents are native Spanish speakers)
- 117 households are considered linguistically isolated (translations of all documents necessary)
- 84% with a high school diploma or higher
- 67% currently in labor force (although 10% are unemployed)
- 99th percentile in both State and nation for lead-paint indicators
- 94-96th percentile in State and nation for wastewater discharge indicators

3.3 Key Community Concerns

As of November 2020, EPA has interviewed three residents in the Spades Park neighborhood. EPA sampled these three residents' properties.

- Resident 1: Has lived in their home for 25 years; has no concerns other than wanting results and wanting them quickly.
- Resident 2: Has lived in their home for 16 years; concerns with past liquids in alley near the Site. The resident described these liquids as resembling antifreeze, with a greasy coating. Resident also requested in-depth information on the sub-slab/indoor air sampling process.
- Resident 3: Has lived in their home for 10 years, although the property has been in the family for 40 years. Concerns include greenish liquid in the alley; reports seeing this as recently as two years ago. Resident also has concerns with debris that is produced by drilling of monitoring wells throughout the neighborhood.

Section 4.0

EPA's Community Involvement Program

The overall goal of EPA's community involvement program is to promote two-way communication between citizens and the EPA and to provide opportunities for meaningful and active involvement by the community in the cleanup process. EPA will implement the community involvement activities described below. The following plan is based on the results of the community interviews described earlier; it addresses each issue that was identified as being important to the community.

4.1 The Plan

Issue 1: Keeping the public informed and up to date.

Activity 1A: Designate an EPA Community Involvement Coordinator (CIC).

- Objective: To provide a primary liaison between the community and the EPA, and to ensure prompt, accurate, and consistent responses and information dissemination about the site. In those instances where EPA's CIC may be unable to provide adequate information (such as on technical issues), inquiries will be directed to the appropriate EPA contact.
- Method: EPA will designate an EPA CIC to handle site inquiries and serve as a point of contact for community members. The CIC is appointed by the Region 5 headquarters. Kirstin Safakas is the EPA CIC assigned to the site. She will work closely with Shelly Lam, EPA's On-Scene Coordinator for the site.

- Timing: The CIC was designated in July 2020.

Activity 1B: Prepare and distribute site fact sheets and technical summaries.

- Objective: To provide citizens with current, accurate, easy-to-read, easy-to-understand information about the investigation and cleanup of the Antique Chrome Shop/Former Hoyt Machine Shop.
- Method: Fact sheets will be mailed to all parties on the site mailing list. In addition, copies will be available at the EPA regional Records Center and in various cooperating locations in the community.
- Timing: EPA will prepare and distribute fact sheets as needed (see fact sheet dated September 2020).

Activity 1C: Maintain a mailing list for the Site.

- Objective: To facilitate the distribution of site-specific information to everyone who needs or wants to be kept informed about the site.
- Method: EPA will create a mailing list that includes all residences adjacent to the site, in known or suspected paths of migration, or those otherwise affected by the site. EPA will also solicit interested parties via fact sheets, newspaper articles, public meetings, public availabilities, etc.
- Timing: EPA will begin working on this mailing list immediately and will review/revise it periodically to keep it current.

Activity 1D: Establish and maintain the Administrative Record.

- Objective: To provide a convenient location where residents can go to read and copy official documents and other pertinent information about the site and EPA activities.
- Method: The Administrative Record is a reference collection of site information containing site-specific information, the Community Involvement Plan, and the general Superfund process. Due to COVID-19, all documents are hosted virtually at <http://response.epa.gov/formerhoytmachine>.
- Timing: EPA established the Administrative Record in May 2020 and will add new documents as they become available.

Issue 2: Provide adequate and meaningful opportunities for community involvement.

Activity 2A: Hold public meetings.

- Objective: To update the community on site developments and address community questions, concerns, ideas and comments.
- Method: EPA will schedule, prepare for, and attend all announced meetings. EPA will provide at least two weeks' notice of the scheduled meeting. The On-Scene Coordinator, Community Involvement Coordinator, and other appropriate EPA staff will attend.
- Timing: A virtual public meeting was held on September 3, 2020 regarding the residential air sampling event. EPA will hold other public meetings as appropriate, although due to COVID-19 all meetings are currently being held online.

Activity 2B: Make informal visits to community.

Objective: To help keep community members informed about the site, while providing EPA with feedback about site activities and the community's opinions.

- Method: EPA will establish a presence in the community through informal visits to talk spontaneously with residents. Shelly Lam, the On-Scene Coordinator, will be on-site with EPA contractors.
- Timing: Throughout the entire Superfund process.

Activity 2C: Revise the Community Involvement Plan (CIP).

- Objective: To identify and address community needs, issues, or concerns regarding the site or the cleanup remedy that are not currently addressed in this CIP.
- Method: The Revised CIP will update the information presented in the previous version of the CIP.
- Timing: EPA will revise the CIP as community concern warrants.

4.2 Time Frame Summary for Community Involvement Activities

ACTIVITY	TIME FRAME
Designate an EPA Community Involvement Coordinator (CIC)	Completed
Prepare and distribute site fact sheets and technical summaries	Ongoing
Maintain a mailing list for the Site	Ongoing
Provide Site information online	Currently available; update as needed
Establish and maintain the Administrative Record	Established, update as needed
Hold public meetings	As needed
Make informal visits to community	As needed
Revise the Community Involvement Plan (CIP)	As needed

Appendix A

EPA Regional Contacts

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Appendix E

Repository Location

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