

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT
Dawson Forest Drums - Removal Polrep



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
Region IV

Subject: POLREP #2
Response Action Initiated
Dawson Forest Drums
B4C7
Dawsonville, GA
Latitude: 34.4298683 Longitude: -84.1641110

To: Matt Taylor, USEPA R4 ERRB

From: Alyssa Hughes

Date: 11/2/2010

Reporting Period: 11/2/10 0800 - 1800

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

Site Number:	B4C7	Contract Number:	
D.O. Number:		Action Memo Date:	
Response Authority:	CERCLA	Response Type:	Emergency
Response Lead:	EPA	Incident Category:	Removal Action
NPL Status:	Non NPL	Operable Unit:	
Mobilization Date:	11/2/2010	Start Date:	11/2/2010
Demob Date:		Completion Date:	
CERCLIS ID:		RCRIS ID:	
ERNS No.:		State Notification:	
FPN#:		Reimbursable Account #:	

1.1.1 Incident Category

CERCLA Emergency Response

1.1.2 Site Description

About 40, 55-gallon drums are abandoned in a state park. Dawson County Fire Department and Forsyth County HAZMAT responded to two leaking drums at the site. Roads leading to drums have been closed to the public. It is unknown what the drums contain.

1.1.2.1 Location

Dawson Forest Wildlife Management Area, Mablehill, Dawson County, Georgia.

1.1.2.2 Description of Threat

Drums containing unknown wastes are abandoned and were accessible to the public. Two creeks are in the vicinity of the drums. Two drums appear to be leaking content.

1.1.3 Preliminary Removal Assessment/Removal Site Inspection Results

On November 1st, Telephone Duty Officer received a report of approximately 40 drums that were illegally dumped on October 29th in an area of Dawson Forest. A hunter reportedly witnessed a box truck in the vicinity of the dumping and reported it to authorities. Georgia Department of Natural Resources reported the presence of 55-gallon drums to the National Response Center.

2. Current Activities

2.1 Operations Section

2.1.1 Narrative

2.1.2 Response Actions to Date

On November 2nd, EPA OSC Alyssa Hughes, START Contractor OTIE and ERRS Contractor ER met on-

scene with Ga DNR personnel. Thirty-eight drums were located at the scene of the dump. Photographs and video were taken prior to any response actions. Background readings were taken with the Ludlum 19 and TVA 1000. The drums were then uprighted and numbered. An inventory of the drums was developed including: number, photograph, description of contents, percent full, and PID/FID reading just above the open top. This information will be compiled into a spreadsheet (see Documents Section). A sample was pulled from each of the drums and field hazard categorization analysis was performed. Based on the results of the field hazcatting, waste stream samples will be sent to the laboratory for analysis.

The hazcatting results indicated the following classifications:

Neutral - 16
Acids - 3
Bases - 6
Flammables - 9

Three of the drums contained solid material and were unable to be sampled, and one drum contained trash.

Samples of each potential waste stream were collected based on the classifications. The samples were sent to the laboratory for analysis.

2.1.3 Enforcement Activities, Identity of Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs)

An investigation is in place to determine the responsible party.

2.1.4 Progress Metrics

<i>Waste Stream</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Manifest #</i>	<i>Treatment</i>	<i>Disposal</i>

2.2 Planning Section

2.2.1 Anticipated Activities

2.2.1.1 Planned Response Activities

Pending the results of the laboratory analyses, waste profiles will be sent to disposal facilities for bidding. Once the appropriate waste disposal facilities are identified, the drums will be transported and disposed of according to all applicable regulations.

2.2.1.2 Next Steps

Attain results of laboratory analysis.

2.2.2 Issues

None.

2.3 Logistics Section

Not applicable

2.4 Finance Section

2.4.1 Narrative

A \$250,000 Emergency Action Memo will be authorized for this response. Of that ceiling, \$50,000 is estimated for ERRS and \$10,000 is estimated for START at this time. Any changes in the cost allocation will be documented in a memo to the file.

Estimated Costs *

	Budgeted	Total To Date	Remaining	% Remaining
Extramural Costs				
ERRS - Cleanup Contractor	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	100.00%
TAT/START	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	100.00%
Intramural Costs				

Total Site Costs	\$60,000.00	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	100.00%

* The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The OSC does not necessarily receive specific figures on final payments made to any contractor(s). Other financial data which the OSC must rely upon may not be entirely up-to-date. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

2.5 Other Command Staff

2.5.1 Safety Officer

START contractor drafted a HASP for this response. It can be viewed in the documents section.

2.6 Liaison Officer

Not applicable.

2.7 Information Officer

2.7.1 Public Information Officer

Not applicable.

2.7.2 Community Involvement Coordinator

Not applicable.

3. Participating Entities

3.1 Unified Command

Ga DNR

EPA

3.2 Cooperating Agencies

Not applicable

4. Personnel On Site

EPA (1)

START (2)

ERRS (1)

5. Definition of Terms

No information available at this time.

6. Additional sources of information

No information available at this time.

7. Situational Reference Materials

No information available at this time.