# U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT Warrenton Fire - Removal Polrep Initial Removal Polrep



# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Region IV

Subject: POLREP #1

Initial POLREP Warrenton Fire

Warrenton, NC

Latitude: 36.3979010 Longitude: -78.1575000

To:

From: Subash Patel, OSC

Date: 2/3/2011

Reporting Period: February 3, 2011

#### 1. Introduction

#### 1.1 Background

Site Number: B4F3 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: 2/3/2011 Start Date: 2/3/2011

Demob Date: Completion Date:

CERCLIS ID: RCRIS ID:

ERNS No.: State Notification:

FPN#: Reimbursable Account #:

## 1.1.1 Incident Category

**Emergency Response** 

#### 1.1.2 Site Description

Fertilizer facility in a residential area on fire.

#### 1.1.2.1 Location

216 West Franklin Street Warrenton, NC 27589

#### 1.1.2.2 Description of Threat

The fire at Southern States Farm and Garden's facility in Warrenton, NC began at 1745 on February 2, 2011. The facility was reported to contain fertilizers and pesticides within the building. The local fire department based on recommendations from a regional Haz Mat team instituted a 6 block mandatory evacuation. A school is in the vicinity upwind of the facility and has not been evacuated at this time. Phone Duty deployed OSC Jordan Garrard and Tetra-Tech. OSC Wagner (Region 3) was asked to assist due to her close proximity to the facility. OSC Wagner and OSC Garrard arrived onsite, the fire was still burning and under control.

# 1.1.3 Preliminary Removal Assessment/Removal Site Inspection Results

Residents and business in the vicinity have been evacuated. A school is in the vicinity upwind of the facility and has not been evacuated at this time. By 1800 on February 3, 2011 the mandatory evacuation was changed to a voluntary evacuation.

# 2. Current Activities

#### 2.1.1 Narrative

The fire at Southern States Farm and Garden's facility in Warrenton, NC began at 1745 on February 2, 2011. The facility was reported to contain fertilizers and pesticides within the building. The local fire department based on recommendations from a regional Haz Mat team instituted a 6 block mandatory evacuation. Phone Duty deployed OSC Jordan Garrard and Tetra-Tech. OSC Wagner (Region 3) was asked to assist due to her close proximity to the facility. OSC Wagner and OSC Garrard arrived onsite, the fire was still burning and under control. The Raleigh Haz Mat Team conducted air monitoring throughout the day. Local officials changed the mandatory evacuation to a voluntary evacuation by 18:00 on February 3, 2011.

#### 2.1.2 Response Actions to Date

OSC Jordan Garrard and OSC Chris Wagner from Region 3 have been deployed. Tetra Tech has also been deployed.

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

Southern States Farm and Garden appear to be the PRP.

## 2.1.4 Progress Metrics

Waste Stream	Medium	Quantity	Manifest #	Treatment	Disposal

#### 2.2 Planning Section

#### 2.2.1 Anticipated Activities

OSC Garrard and Tetra Tech EMI will continue to conduct air monitoring. Air monitoring and sampling of water runoff may be needed.

#### 2.2.1.1 Planned Response Activities

Air monitoring/sampling and sampling of water runoff may be needed.

#### **2.2.2 Issues**

Residents in the surrounding area have been evacuated. A school upwind of the facility has not been evacuated at this time.

# 2.3 Logistics Section

No information available at this time.

#### 2.4 Finance Section

No information available at this time.

# 2.5 Other Command Staff

No information available at this time.

#### 3. Participating Entities

# 3.1 Unified Command

# 3.2 Cooperating Agencies

NCDENR Warrenton Fire Department EPA

# 4. Personnel On Site

EPA OSC Wagner EPA OSC Garrard START TTEMI (2)

# 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.