

# EPA WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU ABOUT THE AEROJET GENERAL CORPORATION SUPERFUND CLEANUP

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has started the second Five-Year Review of the cleanup plans for the Aerojet General Corporation Superfund site. The site is in Rancho Cordova, California. The Review will evaluate if the cleanup is working as EPA intended and if it continues to protect public health and the environment.

Federal law requires EPA to review its Superfund cleanup plans every five years if:

- a cleanup takes more than five years to complete; or
- hazardous waste is still on-site.

EPA completed the last Five-Year Review for this site on September 16, 2016.

### What is Included in the Review?

- an inspection of the site and the cleanup technologies being used,
- a review of site data and maintenance records, and
- a review of any new laws or requirements that could affect the cleanup.

When helpful, EPA breaks up its large cleanup sites into parts, referred to as operable units (OUs). This site has 10 such units and, for this review, EPA will look at three of them:

- Western Groundwater (OU-3): Includes contaminated groundwater that has moved off Aerojet property.
- Perimeter Groundwater (OU-5): Includes contaminated groundwater that has moved off Aerojet property and contaminated soils being treated on Aerojet property.
- Boundary Soil (OU-6): Includes contaminated soils being treated on Aerojet property as well as structures that present indoor air issues.

#### **EPA Would Like to Hear from You!**

We would like to interview community members about how you think the site cleanup is going. If you would like to learn more about the site and/or be interviewed, please contact the site's Community Involvement Coordinator **before May 31, 2021**:

 Jackie Lane, EPA Community Involvement Coordinator at (415) 972-3236 or <a href="mailto:lane.jackie@epa.gov">lane.jackie@epa.gov</a>

#### Where Can I Learn More?

Visit EPA's webpage at <a href="www.epa.gov/superfund/aerojet">www.epa.gov/superfund/aerojet</a> for more information. EPA has set up information repositories with the site's Administrative Record (key documents and reports used in the cleanup), the 2016 Five-Year Review report, and other documents about the site investigation and cleanup at:

Sacramento Central Library 828 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814 (916) 264-2700

CA State University, Sacramento, University Library 2000 State University Drive Sacramento, CA 95819-6039 (916) 278-5679

EPA will complete the Five-Year Review no later than September 30, 2021. EPA will post a copy of the report on its site webpage and send a copy to the information repositories listed above.

## **Background**

The Aerojet General Corporation Superfund site is in Rancho Cordova, California, about a half-mile from the American River. The site covers 5,900 acres. Aerojet made rocket engines for military and commercial use on the site. The Cordova Chemical Company also ran chemical manufacturing facilities on the site. Both companies got rid of unknown amounts of hazardous waste chemicals on the property, which contaminated the soil and groundwater on and near the site.