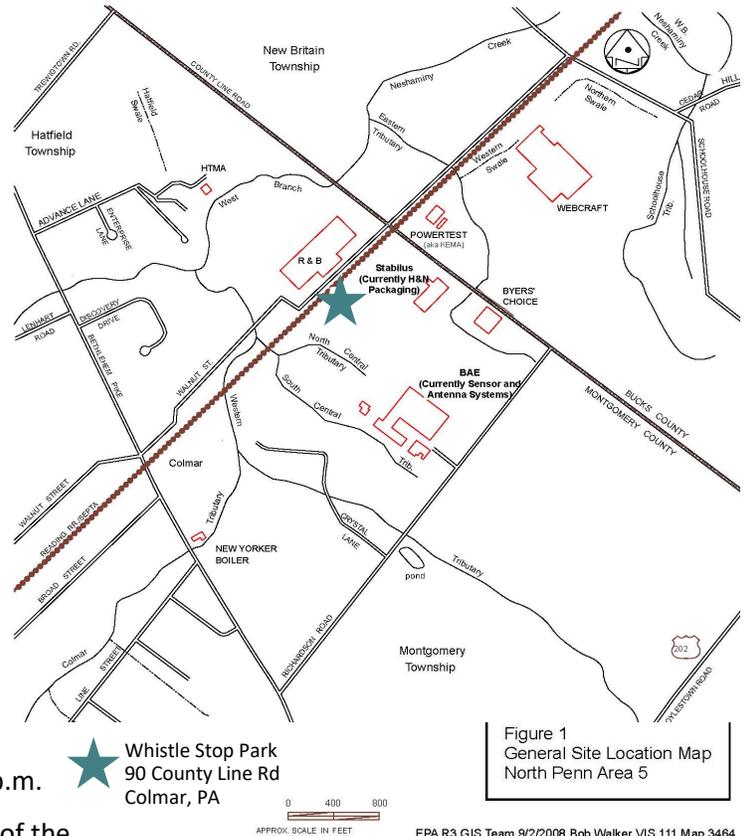


Upcoming EPA work in Whistle Stop Park

As part of the investigation of the North Penn Area 5 Superfund Site, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) contractors will be working in the area of Montgomery Township's Whistle Stop Park. The work is scheduled to begin the week of May 11. Please refer to Montgomery Township for current park operating status.

More details on the activities

- Eight groundwater monitoring wells will be installed in four locations - near the baseball fields, next to the tennis courts, and near the park entrance. Monitoring wells installed at the park decades ago could not be located by EPA. Therefore, new wells will be installed to continue monitoring the North Penn Area 5 site.
- The newly installed wells and other wells in the area will be sampled later this summer.
- Workers on site will follow CDC guidance and local orders related to COVID-19.*
- Work will take place Mondays - Fridays between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- There may be some loud noise associated with the installation of the wells which may last a few days.
- A small area of the parking lot will be temporarily fenced off to allow for equipment storage.
- The wells will remain on site, but will be level with the ground surface and will not cause disruption to park activities.



Site Background

The North Penn Area 5 site is comprised of three areas of groundwater contaminated with volatile organic compounds (VOCs). The contamination is from previous production and manufacturing processes in the area. The goal of this current phase of investigation is to further define the areas and sources of groundwater contamination associated with a portion of the site known as Operable Unit 2.

Please note that most of the homes near the site use municipal drinking water and are not at risk from contaminated groundwater.

*As we continue to adjust to the evolving COVID-19 situation, EPA is taking the necessary steps to ensure that decisions about ongoing cleanup activities at Superfund sites are made with the health and safety of communities, EPA staff, state partners, and contractors as the priority. The decision to move forward with this work was made in consultation with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP). PADEP reviewed and concurred that the well installation activities are essential Waste and Remediation Services, and therefore EPA and the workers at the site are exempt from the Governor's stay-home order. All work will abide by Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidance to reduce the spread of COVID-19. More info on this stay-at-home order can be found at: <https://www.pa.gov/guides/responding-to-covid-19/#StayatHomeOrder>

For more information
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