

Overview of the First Quarter 2021 Surveillance and Maintenance Report for the Rocky Flats Site, Colorado

January – March 2021

Quarterly Monitoring and Reporting

- Quarterly reports required under the Rocky Flats Legacy Management Agreement (RFLMA) to document that Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980 remedy continues to provide effective protection
- Rocky Flats Site remedy components include:
 - Maintain 2 landfill covers
 - Maintain 3 groundwater treatment systems
 - Monitor surface water and groundwater
 - Maintain physical controls
 - Signage
 - Access restriction



Quarterly Monitoring and Reporting

- Rocky Flats Site remedy components include (continued):
 - Enforce institutional controls
 - No occupied building construction
 - Excavation and soil-disturbance restrictions
 - No surface water consumption or agricultural use
 - No groundwater wells, except for monitoring
 - Landfill covers and engineered remedy components protection





First Quarter 2021



Selected RFLMA Surface Water Monitoring Locations





Original Landfill Performance Monitoring

- Original Landfill (OLF) location GS59
 - Routine surface water sampling in Woman Creek, downstream of the OLF (GS59), during the first quarter of 2021 showed mean concentrations for all analytes below applicable RFLMA water quality standards





Present Landfill Performance Monitoring

- Present Landfill Treatment System (PLFTS) location PLFSYSEFF
 - During the first quarter of 2021 at the system effluent, concentrations for all analytes were below applicable RFLMA standards





Point of Evaluation Monitoring

 No Point of Evaluation (POE) analyte concentrations were reportable during the first quarter of 2021





Point of Compliance Monitoring

 No RFLMA Point of Compliance (POC) analyte concentrations were reportable during the first quarter of 2021



Questions?







First Quarter 2021

Groundwater Monitoring and Operations

RFLMA Groundwater Monitoring Overview

- RFLMA monitoring network
 - 10 Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) wells (sampled quarterly)
 - Evaluate potential impacts from OLF and PLF
 - 9 Area of Concern (AOC) wells and one Surface Water Support location (sampled semiannually)
 - Located in drainages downstream of contaminant plumes
 - Evaluate for plumes discharging to surface water
 - 27 Sentinel wells (sampled semiannually)
 - Downgradient of treatment systems, edges of plumes, and in drainages
 - Look for plumes migrating to surface water and treatment system problems
 - 42 Evaluation wells (sampled biennially)
 - Within plumes, near source areas, and interior of Central Operable Unit (COU)
 - Evaluate whether monitoring of an area or plume can cease
 - 9 treatment system locations (seven sampled semiannually, two quarterly)





Groundwater treatment system locations omitted for clarity

RFLMA Monitoring During First Quarter 2021

- Sampled the 10 RCRA wells
 - PLF _____
 - OLF_____
- Results were generally consistent with previous data
 - Data will be evaluated as part of the 2021 annual report



Treatment System Activities

- Mound Site Plume Collection System (MSPCS), East Trenches Plume Treatment System (ETPTS), Solar Ponds Plume Treatment System (SPPTS), and PLFTS
 - Routine maintenance at all systems
- MSPCS
 - Performed transfer line repairs in March 2021
 - Replaced all 9 cleanouts and cleanout covers to address manufacturing defects and protect from future elk traffic
 - Paused water transfer during this work
 - Water continued to be collected in trench
 - Transferred accumulated water to ETPTS for treatment after repaired line was ready for use



Treatment System Activities

ETPTS

- Parts exposed within a vault froze during period of extreme cold in February 2021
- Paused water transfer from MSPCS until frozen parts thawed and confirmed to be undamaged



Treatment System Activities

- SPPTS
 - Replaced a sump pump in one of the vaults
 - Continued seasonal adjustments to dosing, residence time
 - Continued evaluating groundwater conditions west of existing collection trench



Questions?







First Quarter 2021 Site Operations



Quarterly Sign Inspections

- RFLMA physical control
- Signs inspected on February 11, 2021
 - All signs in good condition and legible





Original Landfill

- Monthly inspections
 - January 22, February 24, and March 26, 2021
 - Coconut erosion matting displaced from high winds and elk migration throughout quarter
 - Re-staked, replaced, or wood straw spread as alternative
 - March 26 inspection combined with weather-related inspection following rapid melt of 10 inches of snow
 - Rills outside of waste footprint above Berms 5 and 6
 - Deposited 1 to 3 inches of sediment into Berm 5 and 6 channels
 - Rills removed using hand tools



Original Landfill

- Surveyed settlement monuments on March 1, 2021
 - Vertical settling was within design limits
 - Areas of stabilization activities remain stable and in good condition



Present Landfill

- Quarterly inspection performed on March 1, 2021
- Present Landfill is in good condition



Former Building Areas 371, 771, 881, and 991

- Quarterly inspection of Former Building Areas 371, 771, 881, and 991 was completed on February 3, 2021
 - The depression located near the southeast corner of former building area 881 (December 2019) was backfilled on February 3, 2021



North Walnut Creek Slump

- Continued data collection from inclinometers and piezometers where possible
- Slump monitoring points were surveyed on January 4, February 1 and March 1, 2021
 - No substantial change
 - Total vertical movement since baseline (September 5, 2017) was approximately 3.6 feet



Questions?



