



The Maywood Project Site

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Final Cleanup Plan Approved for the Maywood Site

The final cleanup plan for contaminated soil and buildings on the FUSRAP Maywood Superfund Site was released on October 1. Announcement of the plan came at a September 29 news conference held at the site by Rep. Steven R. Rothman (NJ - District 9). The plan, known as the Record of Decision (ROD), is the official documentation of how various cleanup options were considered and why the final remedy (excavation and offsite disposal) was selected. It was developed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in consultation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2 and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, and formally approved by EPA, the lead regulatory agency for the Maywood Site. Copies of the ROD are available for review at the FUSRAP Public Information Center (see page 4), at the Lodi, Maywood and Rochelle Park public libraries, and online at www.fusrapmaywood.com.

The site properties addressed by the ROD are shown on page 2. Major components of the cleanup plan include:

- Excavation and removal of contaminated soils and buried bulk wastes that exceed cleanup goals established for the site. Bulk wastes include buried drums, building materials, and miscellaneous debris.
- Physical separation of soil requiring offsite disposal as radioactive waste from other materials requiring less costly offsite disposal
- 17 site properties cleaned up to unrestricted future use standards



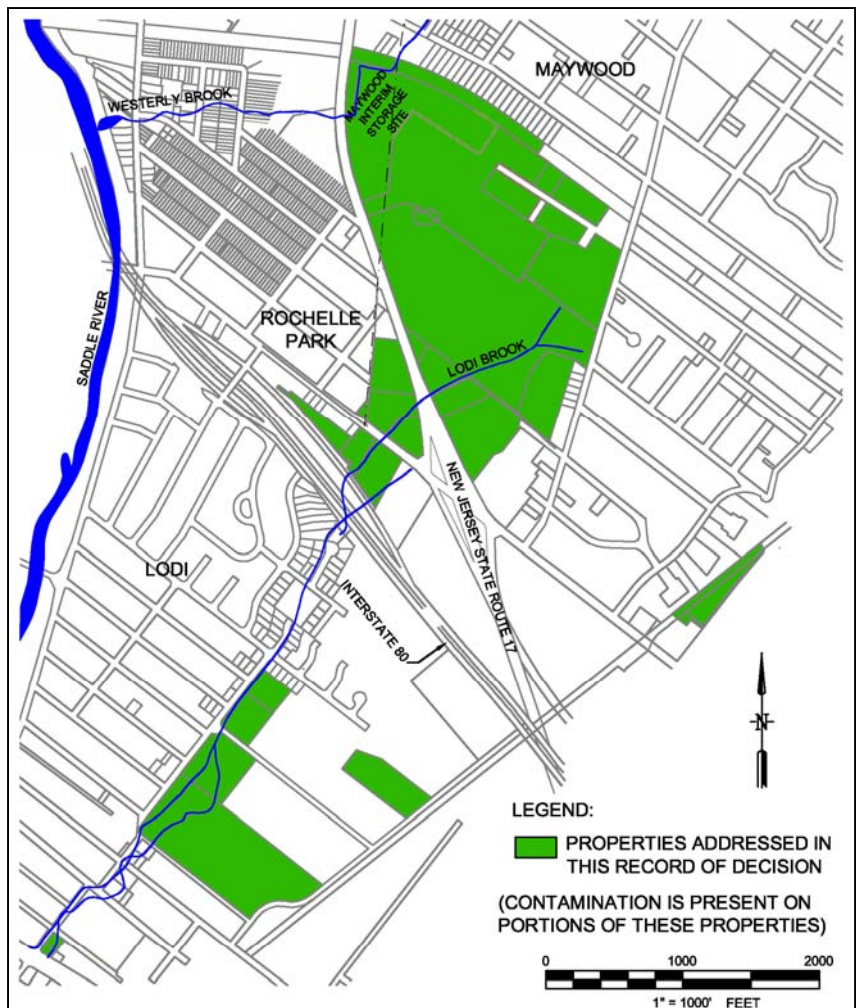
Rep. Steve Rothman announcing Maywood Site cleanup plan. (from left: Tim Eustace, Maywood Council; John Frisco, EPA; Rep. Rothman; Angela Carpenter, EPA; Stuart Piken, Army Corps; Tom Richards, Maywood Council; James Petrie, Maywood Council; Allen Roos, Army Corps)

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- Institutional measures including regular inspections and land use controls at select properties where contaminants will remain in place after cleanup at standards above those established for unrestricted future use. These properties include the Maywood Interim Storage Site (currently owned by the federal government), industrial/commercial properties at 100 West Hunter Avenue and 149-151 Maywood Avenue in Maywood, and active transportation corridors including I-80, NJ Route 17 and two railway lines. Institutional measures at these locations will allow for safe commercial and industrial use in the future. This is consistent with past and current uses, local zoning codes, and reasonably anticipated future use. These measures will also prohibit excavations in designated areas.
- Decontamination and demolition of buildings on two site properties
- Offsite disposal at authorized facilities of all waste materials removed
- Environmental monitoring to ensure the effectiveness of the cleanup

Inaccessible soils currently under buildings and roadways would be excavated and disposed of as they are made accessible by renovation or demolition work undertaken by property owners.

The estimated cost of the cleanup plan is \$254 million, and the cleanup will take at least five years to complete. The Army Corps is currently finalizing detailed engineering designs for cleanups at each site property, all of which house active commercial businesses or public agencies. At the same time, coordination with individual property owners and/or tenants is well underway to address logistical considerations such as construction safety, parking and traffic. Resolution of these issues will allow businesses to operate with a minimum of disturbance throughout the cleanup, while the Corps completes its mission of environmental restoration.



Cleanup Continues at Several Other Properties

As the final touches to the ROD were made over the summer, work progressed at four site properties under a 2001 authorization that allowed for early cleanups. Two commercial properties on Essex Street (one each in Lodi and Maywood) were restored following the successful removal of contaminated materials, while cleanups got started on two other Maywood properties on NJ Route 17. Three of these properties are active commercial businesses that remained in full operation while the cleanups went on. These actions will continue as final engineering designs for the properties covered by the ROD are completed. This will allow the overall Maywood Site cleanup schedule to move forward without interruption.

Excavation underway at a Route 17 property in Maywood. A subsurface layer of contaminated material is found below the clean soil above



Site restoration at the same property after contaminated material has been successfully removed.

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- FUSRAP Public Information Center, 75A West Pleasant Avenue, Maywood, NJ
Monday & Wednesday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. • Friday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. • Tel. 201-843-7466 • Fax 201-843-7560
- Online at www.fusrapmaywood.com (the Record of Decision for the Maywood Site is available at both of these locations)



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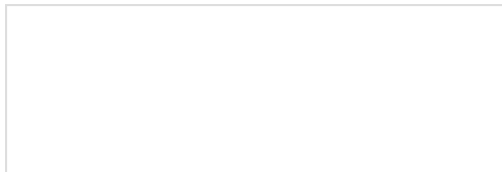
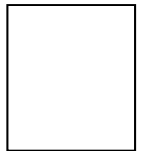
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