



Superfund Redevelopment Pilots

Mountain Pine Pressure Treatment Plainview, AR

EPA's Superfund Redevelopment Initiative (SRI) is a nationally coordinated effort to facilitate the return of Superfund sites to productive use by selecting response actions consistent with anticipated use. The SRI Pilots are intended to help local governments enhance their involvement in the Superfund decision-making process by assisting EPA in predicting future land uses for Superfund sites. Under the Pilot Program, EPA will provide up to \$100,000 in financial assistance and/or services to local governments for specified activities. Applicants are offered several types of program assistance, including funding through a cooperative agreement, access to facilitation services, and/or the availability of personnel under the Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA).

BACKGROUND

EPA selected the City of Plainview, Arkansas, for a Superfund Redevelopment Pilot. Plainview is home to the Mountain Pine Pressure Treatment Superfund site. Two wood pressure treating facilities operated on the property from 1962 until 1986, leaving contaminated water and sludges. Homes border the site with many small children who could come in contact with the contamination. The site is also bordered by forests and grasslands, and drainage from the site flows into Porter Creek, a tributary of Nimrod Lake, which provides water for Plainview. EPA added the site to its list of hazardous waste sites needing cleanup in February 2000.

OBJECTIVES

Plainview plans to use Pilot funds to form an advisory council, which will include representatives from the community, and to create a plan to reuse the site. The council will conduct training, workshops, and public meetings to identify reuse options for the site. The council will hold a meeting to specifically address the community's safety and ecological concerns for nearby wetlands. After receiving comments from the community and examining all options, the council will rank the potential uses and develop a reuse plan to be presented to the city council for discussion and endorsement.

PILOT SNAPSHOT



Applicant Name: Plainview, AR

Site Name: Mountain Pine Pressure Treatment

Date of Selection: July 2000

Anticipated Award: Cooperative Agreement and Facilitation Services (\$100,000)

Profile: The city will form an advisory council to reach consensus and to create a plan for reusing the site.

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