

Superfund Redevelopment Pilots

**Waste Disposal, Inc.
Santa Fe Springs, CA**

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 Santa Fe Springs, California, for a Superfund Redevelopment Pilot. Santa Fe Springs is home to the Waste Disposal, Inc., (WDI) Superfund site. The 40-acre site includes 22 parcels of land owned by 18 landowners. A 42-million gallon, concrete-lined reservoir, originally constructed for crude petroleum storage, is buried in the middle of the site. By the late 1920s, the reservoir was no longer used to store crude oil. Instead the reservoir and the area surrounding it were used until the mid-1960s for the disposal of a variety of hazardous substances, including solvents, sludges, petroleum-related chemicals, construction debris, drilling muds, and other liquid and solid waste materials, resulting in subsurface contamination. In July 1987, EPA added the site to its list of hazardous waste sites needing cleanup.

OBJECTIVES

Santa Fe Springs' overall goal is to create a plan for reusing the WDI site that will be acceptable to the community and beneficial to the existing property owners. The city believes the site is suitable for commercial development and will use Pilot funds to develop a reuse plan that is compatible with the cleanup. It will also hold community meetings to reach consensus on the reuse and ensure that the reuse benefits the community.

PILOT SNAPSHOT



Applicant Name: Santa Fe Springs, CA

Site Name: Waste Disposal, Inc.

Date of Selection: July 2000

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

Profile: The city will reach community consensus and create a plan to reuse the site, possibly as an industrial complex.

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