

## U. S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region 4 Proposed Cleanup Plan & Public Comment Period Cabot Carbon/Koppers Superfund Site Gainesville, Florida

Public Meeting Information
Day/Date: Thursday, August 5, 2010
Location: Stephen Foster Elementary School
Time: 6:00 – 8:00 pm

**Purpose/Objective:** As part of public participation requirements under Section 117(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA or "Superfund") EPA announces the Proposed Plan for the former Koppers Facility and surrounding areas for cleanup of soils, sediments, groundwater, and surface water.

Site Background: The former Koppers Site is located at 200 NW 23rd Avenue in the City of Gainesville, Alachua County, Florida, and is bordered to the northeast by commercial property, to the west and north are single-family and multi-family residences, to the north/northwest by a Gainesville Public Works facility, small businesses, and a mobile home community. The Koppers Site operated from 1916 until 2009 manufacturing wood products treated with creosote, pentachlorophenol, and chromated copper arsenic.

**Proposed Cleanup Approach:** The proposed action will reduce risks to human health and the environment through media treatment. EPA's preferred alternative requires treatment in each groundwater aquifer, on and off-Site soils, on and off-Site sediments, and surface water.

**Proposed Plan Schedule:** EPA is conducting a 30-day public comment period, from **July 15, 2010** to **August 15, 2010** to provide an opportunity for public involvement in selecting the final cleanup method for this Site. Public input on all alternatives, and on the information that supports the alternatives, is an important contribution to the remedy selection process. During this comment period, EPA will hold a public meeting on August 5, 2010 at the Stephen Foster Elementary School, at 3800 NW 6th Street, Gainesville, Florida 32609, from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. EPA will present the latest understanding of Site contamination and describe the preferred alternative listed in the Proposed Plan and answer questions. The Proposed Plan Fact Sheet will provide a summary description of the cleanup alternatives being considered; therefore, the public is encouraged to consult the Information Repository for a more detailed history and explanation.

During this 30-day comment period, the public is invited to review all site-related documents housed at the local Information Repository located in the reference section at the Alachua County Library, 401 E. University Avenue, Gainesville, Florida 32601. Also, the public is invited to offer comments to EPA during this time period. The actual remedial action could be different from the proposed alternative, depending upon new information or comments EPA may receive from the public. If you prefer to submit written comments, please mail them postmarked no later than midnight August 15, 2010, to Scott Miller or L'Tonya Spencer at the mailing address identified below.

All comments will be reviewed and a response prepared in making the final determination of the most appropriate alternative for cleanup/treatment of the Site. EPA's final choice of a remedy will be issued in a Record of Decision (ROD). A document called a Responsiveness Summary summarizing EPA's response to public comments is issued with the ROD. Once the ROD is signed by the Superfund Division Director, or designee, it will become part of the Administrative Record (located at the Information Repository), which contains all documents used by EPA in making a final determination of the best cleanup/treatment for the Site. Once the ROD has been signed, work will begin on the design of the selected remedy.

Contact Information: If you have any questions, comments and/or concerns on the proposed cleanup plan, please contact:

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