



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**
New Orleans District

Project Fact Sheet

Official Project Name

E.P.A. Superfund Project: Popile, Inc.

Location

The Popile, Inc. Superfund Project is on the east side of Southfield Road, approximately one-quarter of a mile south of where it intersects U.S. Highway 82, just south of El Dorado, Union County, Arkansas. The property is bordered by the CRI&P Railroad on the east and Bayou de Loutre, perennial creek, on the north. Located upgradient and south of the site is a woodland area.

Purpose

The purpose of this project is to cleanup the Contaminants-of-Concern (C.O.C.s) from this land and monitor their movements over a given 5-year period through the use of groundwater monitoring wells.

Background

In 1947, El Dorado Creosote Company, the parent company of Popile, Inc., began treating wood at the 40-acre property using pentachlorophenol (PCP) and creosote. El Dorado Pole and Pile Company, Incorporated purchased the property in 1958. Starting in 1976, three surface impoundments were used as part of the waste treatment process. Wood-treatment operations stopped in July 1982. In September 1982, Popile bought approximately 7.5 acres of the property, including the surface impoundments and a large open area known as the salt flat. In October 1984, Popile closed the three impoundments as one unit.

Authority

This work is being performed under the E.P.A. Superfund Project authority through the Corps of Engineers, Interagency and International Support Program.

Scope

The Project consists of the Remediation of the contaminated soil areas and the placement and encapsulation of this soil in on-site containment cells with 5-year Groundwater Monitoring and Site Maintenance Programs.

Progress to Date

The Remediation Phase of the Project has been completed. The 5-year Groundwater Monitoring and Site Engineering Maintenance Phases are currently in progress with the first year of groundwater monitoring and site maintenance having been completed and the second year of monitoring and maintenance already begun.

Partners/Sponsors

US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

EPA is the 100% financier (Sponsor) of the Popile, Inc. Superfund Project