

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO TRANSFER FEDERAL PROPERTY

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) notifies the public of the availability of the Finding of Suitability for Early Transfer (FOSET) documents for a portion of the Bannister Federal Complex (BFC) in Kansas City, MO. The FOSET supports the DOE's proposal to transfer approximately 225 acres of the BFC, west of the railroad tracks, and a 2-acre antenna tower site located to the north of Bannister Road along Troost Ave, to Bannister Transformation & Development LLC for future industrial redevelopment. The FOSET is available for public review and comment from April 30, 2017, to June 14, 2017.

The proposed property transfer will be conducted according to Section 120 (h)(3) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), deferring the CERCLA covenant warranting that all remedial action necessary to protect human health and the environment has been taken. Following the 45-day public comment period, the DOE will respond to public comments, modify the FOSET or its proposal to transfer if appropriate, and prepare a Covenant Deferral Request Package for the property. This package will be submitted to the Governor of the State of Missouri, who may approve this request if the Governor determines the property is suitable for transfer. Once all necessary remedial actions have been taken on the property, the DOE will execute and deliver the CERCLA covenant to the property owner. The property proposed for early transfer and covenant deferral are described in the FOSET.

At the same time, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (department) is starting a 45-day public comment period on a proposed remedy and proposed hazardous waste permit modifications for the same approximately 225 acres of the 307-acre BFC located in the city limits of Kansas City, MO, about 12 miles south of downtown. The BFC is currently owned by the DOE and the General Services Administration (GSA). The department is holding a public meeting and public hearing about the proposed remedy and permit modifications on Wednesday, May 17, 2017, at Center High School, 8715 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO. The public meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the hearing to follow at 6:30 p.m. DOE staff will be in attendance to provide information on the FOSET during the public meeting.

A number of areas of the BFC property have been identified as having soil and groundwater contamination as a result of past activities. The 2012 modified Missouri Hazardous Waste Management Facility Part I Permit for the BFC property requires surface water, groundwater, surface soil and subsurface soil investigation at 45 solid waste management units. These units include former production areas, releases from a former underground tank farm, two former wastewater treatment lagoons and areas of prior leaks or spills of hazardous waste or hazardous waste constituents. The main contaminants include chlorinated solvents (e.g., trichloroethylene), polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and petroleum hydrocarbons. Remedies implemented to date include removing targeted contaminant source areas and pumping and treating contaminated groundwater. Additional sampling of site storm water and surface water is performed to assure compliance with State requirements and monitor for releases to surrounding streams. Additional information about these areas can be found in the FOSET.

Additional documents providing information on the environmental condition of the property are listed in the FOSET. These documents are available online at www.kcp.com, or may be viewed at the following locations:

Mid-Continent Public Library
Blue Ridge Branch
9253 Blue Ridge Blvd.
Kansas City, MO
Phone: 816-761-3382

Missouri Department of Natural Resources
1730 East Elm Street (lower level)
Jefferson City, MO
Phone: 573-751-3043
File reviews must be made through a sunshine request. Please visit dnr.mo.gov/sunshinerequests.htm.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7*
Information Resource Center
11201 Renner Blvd.
Lenexa, Ks
Phone: 913-551-7241
*Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Please submit written comments on the FOSET by email to kcpfosetcomments@kcp.com, or by mail to the following address:

U.S. Department of Energy
National Nuclear Security Administration
14520 Botts Road
Kansas City, MO 64147
Attention: FOSET Comments

Please include your name and mailing address or email address with your comments so a response to your comment can be sent to you.