Air Force Civil Engineer Center



Cannon AFB PFAS Public Update

15 September 2021



Agenda



- Introductions
- Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis Pilot Study
- Remedial Investigation
- PFAS Response Spending to Date
- Restoration Advisory Board
- Going Forward
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Introductions



- Community Members
- Clovis, NM Representatives
- Environmental Protection Agency
- New Mexico Environmental Department
- Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry
- Air Force Installation and Mission Support Center
- Air Force Civil Engineer Center
- Cannon Air Force Base



Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis – Pilot Study

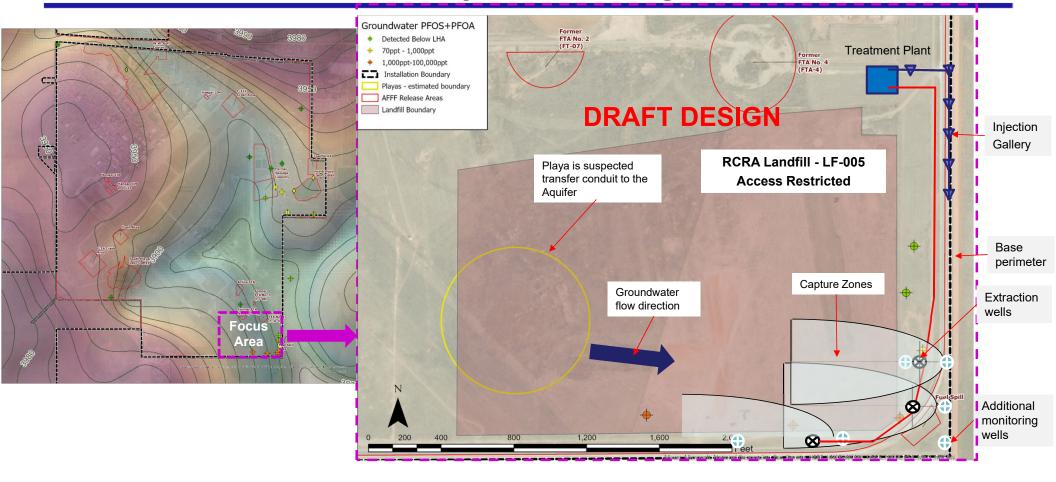


- Air Force awarded \$16.6M contract on 27 May 2021 for an Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) – Pilot Study
- In accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) framework, an EE/CA is required to satisfy environmental review requirements for interim responses
 - EE/CA identifies objectives of potential interim responses and evaluates effectiveness, feasibility and cost of various alternatives
- The Pilot Study treatment system is entirely on base
- The design allows for flexibility
 - Can be expanded to incorporate additional treatment options resulting from future investigations



Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis – Pilot Study Draft Design







Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis – Pilot Study Draft Timeline



- Award completed 27 May 2021
- Initial Site Visit completed 2 Jun 2021
- Kick-Off Meeting completed 8 Jun 2021
- Sampling Event completed 14 Jun 2021
- Aquifer Test in progress Sep 2021
- Treatability Study in progress Sep 2021
- Design/Work Plan Jan 2022
 - (30-day NMED/EPA comment period)
- Construction Start Mar 2022
- Operation Start Apr 2023
- EE/CA Final Jan 2024
 - (30 day NMED/EPA comment period)



Remedial Investigation



- Remedial Investigation (RI) Status (Awarded 28 Aug 2020)
 - RI goal: define the nature and extent of impact in environmental media on and off base
 - New groundwater monitoring wells
 - Soil borings
 - Surface soil samples
 - Suction lysimeters installed at source locations
 - Work Plan completed 1 Sep 2021
 - Field work to commence, contractors currently mobilizing
 - First field work to collect off base well samples and soil samples
 - Landowners must give permission before samples can be collected



PFAS Response Spending to Date



- Expenditures to date \$31,337,869
 - Preliminary Assessment (PA): \$38,754
 - Site Inspection (SI): \$2,024,231
 - Expanded Site Inspection (ESI): \$505,000
 - Remedial Investigation (RI): \$10,377,619
 - United States Geological Survey (USGS) work to understand groundwater flow: \$735,000 in FY20, \$1,065,000 in FY21
 - Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) Pilot System:
 \$16,592,265



Restoration Advisory Board



- 17 Feb 2021 Cannon AFB published a Public Notice for Solicitation of Interest in the establishment of a Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)
- RAB covers all environmental restoration activities at the base
- Interest received was specific to the PFAS investigation
- Determination made to not establish a RAB at this time
- Ongoing Quarterly Public Updates focused on PFAS provide the community opportunity for involvement, and participation in the investigation/cleanup process
- Quarterly Public Updates are publicly accountable and made available at the address below
- Signed RAB Memorandum for Record can be found at <u>https://www.cannon.af.mil/Environmental/</u>



Going Forward



- EE/CA Pilot Study
 - Aquifer Test
 - Treatability Study
- Remedial Investigation
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- Next Public Quarterly Update
 - Tentatively planned 15 Dec 2021



Additional Information



Admin Record Links to Cannon Air Force Base reports:

– Admin Record https://ar.afcec-cloud.af.mil/

– PA: AR# 1941

- SI: AR# 1938

Off base SI: AR# 1940

- RRSE: AR# 2063

Treatability Work Plan: AR# 2072

RI Work Plan: AR# 2074 to be uploaded once any PII removed

Aquifer Test Work Plan: AR# 2075

DAF Response

https://www.afcec.af.mil/WhatWeDo/Environment/Perfluorinated-Compounds/



Common Acronyms



- Administrative Record (AR)
- Aqueous Film Forming Foam (AFFF)
- Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)
- Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA)
- Department of the Air Force (DAF)
- Department of Defense (DoD)
- Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis(EE/CA)
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- Lifetime Health Advisory (LHA)



Common Acronyms



- National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA)
- Parts Per Trillion (ppt)
- Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)
- Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)
- Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)
- Preliminary Assessment (PA)
- Remedial Investigation (RI)
- Relative Risk Site Evaluation (RRSE)
- Site Inspection (SI)
- United States Geological Survey (USGS)



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