

We Want To Hear From You

The U.S. Army recently completed the 30 Percent Design document for the Basin F/Basin F Exterior Remediation Project, Part 2 Basin F Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA)-Equivalent Cover. This is one of 31 projects that make up the Record of Decision (ROD). The ROD, which was signed by the Army, the State of Colorado, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on June 11, 1996, provides a detailed description of the cleanup approach selected for Rocky Mountain Arsenal (RMA).

The Part 2 design addresses the closure or protection of monitoring wells; placement, grading, and consolidation of low-level contaminated soil and clean gradefill within the Basin F boundary in the northern portion of RMA; and the RCRA-equivalent cover to be constructed over the entire Basin F area, including the site of the former wastepile. The RCRA-equivalent cover is an innovative-type cover, consisting of a vegetated soil layer placed over a burrowing animal barrier, which takes advantage of Denver's dry climate. Recently, this alternative cover successfully passed a one-year test demonstrating that it performs as good as a standard RCRA cap.

This document, along with the Administrative Record and documents supporting the cleanup, are available at the RMA Joint Administrative Record and Document Facility (JARDF), 303-289-0362, open M, W, F 12-4:30 p.m.; TU&TH 5-9 p.m.; and SAT 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and at the EPA Superfund Records Center, 303-312-7287, open M-F 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Comments on this 30 Percent Design are requested by August 2, 2002. Written questions/concerns should be directed to: Ms. Ruth Mecham, Remediation Venture Public Relations Office, RMA, Building 111, Commerce City, CO 80022-1748; 303-289-0337.