Bay City, MI
RACER Site 11000

Site Description

Located adjacent to GM’s Powertrain Bay City Plant and the Saginaw River, the Property is comprised of approximately 10.11 acres. Approximately one-third of the Property was formerly a slip connected to the Saginaw River, and the remainder was used as an equipment storage area for GM’s Powertrain Bay City Plant. The Property is zoned industrial.

Remediation activities are performed by RACER Trust, with the approval and oversight of the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE). The Settlement Agreement that established RACER Trust set aside $3.5 million for work at this Property.

Environmental History

The Property has a history of PCB contamination in soil and sediments. After a series of investigations in the late 1990s, EGLE approved a remedial action plan for the Property.

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Per the approved remedial action plan, a containment system was installed around and over almost the entire Property to prevent exposure to or migration of PCBs. The containment system components include a multi-layer cap (a bedding layer, high-density polyethylene [HDPE], geonet drainage layer, sand, topsoil and vegetation); sheet pile and bentonite slurry walls; and a groundwater extraction, treatment and discharge system. The groundwater extraction, treatment and discharge system is operated and maintained, and the containment system is monitored regularly to ensure the area remains in compliance with EGLE requirements to prevent groundwater from migrating off-Property.

Deed restrictions are also a part of the approved remedial action plan and are currently in place. Restrictions prohibit disturbance or damage to the containment system, limit future use to nonresidential, prohibit the use of groundwater for any purpose, limit excavation, and require proper soil management.

In 2022, activities were implemented to improve storm water management at the Property.

**Next Steps**

Operation, maintenance and monitoring of the groundwater extraction, treatment and discharge system, monitoring of on-Property wells, and inspection and maintenance of the cap will continue.

The storm water management improvements are expected to be completed in 2024.

The current deed restrictions are expected to be updated to better reflect Property conditions after completion of the storm water management improvements.

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*More detailed information on the site can be viewed at the RACER website at www.racertrust.org.*

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**For More Information**

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