



The RACER Trust: Empowering America's Auto Communities



Toledo, OH

RACER Site 10990

Toledo Industrial Land
1455 West Alexis Road
Toledo, OH 43612

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Site Description

This 34.12-acre site was associated with the GM Powertrain Toledo plant, which was built in 1941 by the U.S. Government.

The site today is covered with trees and vegetation, with Silver Creek passing directly through the property. It also includes a former stormwater pond and a former five-acre disposal area used in the 1950s and 1960s.

Cleanup activities are performed by the RACER Trust, with the approval and oversight of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA.) The Settlement Agreement that established the RACER Trust set aside \$2.7 million for cleanup work.



Environmental History

Extensive studies of environmental conditions on the property have been performed.

In the vicinity of the former disposal area, which is bounded by railroad tracks to the north and east and by Silver Creek to the south, the presence of PCBs (or polychlorinated biphenyls) was detected in soil and groundwater. GM placed an engineered soil cover over the area and an adjacent storm water pond. Piping was placed beneath the edge of these areas along Silver Creek to collect potential leachate.

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A site investigation also was performed of the site property south of Silver Creek, a large undeveloped portion of the property bounded by Silver Creek to the north and west, the site boundary to the south and the site boundary/railway tracks to the east. Samples of soil and groundwater were analyzed for a number of constituents, including PCBs. The study determined that one test pit area should be addressed due to the presence of PCBs. This area was excavated and disposed of off-site in an appropriate disposal facility during Fall 2013.

Sediment and surface water samples have been collected from Silver Creek and its tributary ditches. No need for remedial action was identified.

Next Steps

No significant environmental investigations of the property are anticipated in the future.

Operation, maintenance and monitoring activities include:

- Maintaining the landfill and cap;
- Monitoring the cap to ensure erosion has not occurred; and
- Monitoring groundwater conditions in coordination with the shutdown of the wet wells associated with the FDA and FSP as part of leachate evaluation under U.S. EPA oversight.

Information on the site can be viewed at the RACER website at www.racertrust.org.