# **Superfund Cleanup**

## Action: Continue to assure that the Army's agreement with EPA to clean up Superfund contamination is successfully completed to allow for future development of once contaminated lands.

DESCRIPTION OF ACTION	Continue to assist, monitor, and guide the Army's efforts to clean up Superfund contamination with the goal of sustainable reuse of contaminated sites.
CHAMPION	MassDevelopment

IMPLEMENTATION STEPS	PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS		
	Timeframe <sup>1</sup>	Key Partners	
Assist, as needed, in the long-term management of the identified Study Areas and Areas of Contamination	Ongoing	<ul> <li>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)</li> <li>U.S. Army</li> <li>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)</li> <li>MA Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP)</li> <li>Devens Enterprise Commission (DEC)</li> <li>People of Ayer Concerned about the Environment (PACE)</li> <li>Neighboring communities</li> <li>Base Realignment and Closure Clean-Up Team (BCT)</li> <li>Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)</li> <li>Other Local, State, and Federal Agencies</li> <li>Licensed Site Professionals (LSPs)</li> </ul>	
Monitor the status of sites with ongoing cleanup actions to ensure the selected remedy remains protective of human and environmental health	Ongoing		
Continue regular meetings with the Devens Base Realignment and Closure Clean Up Team to review and discuss the status of ongoing cleanup activities	Ongoing		
Continue forward looking planning for the sustainable reuse of successfully cleaned up and transferred land	Long		

1 Short = less than 1 year; Medium = 1-3 years; Long = 4-5years

### **FUNDING RESOURCES**

- U.S. Army under a Federal Facilities Agreement with U.S. EPA
- EPA Superfund Technical Assistance Grant
- Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act Grants

### LINKS TO OTHER PLANS & ACTIONS

# How does this action connect to other Devens goals?

- Environmental protection goals of the Reuse Plan (natural resource protection and water quality)
- Ensuring an effective, expeditious, and efficient cleanup of contaminated sites
- Relevant STAR Objectives: Infill & Redevelopment, Community Health, Natural Resources Protection
- Relevant LEED Credits: Natural Resources Conservation and Restoration, High-Priority Site, Water Access and Quality

### **MEASURING SUCCESS**

# How can we measure the progress and success of this action?

#### **Outputs**

- Sustainable reuse of previous Superfund sites **Outcomes** 
  - Acres of land remediated
  - Acres of remediated land redeveloped
  - · Improved air, soil, and water quality

#### **TECHNICAL RESOURCES**

- EPA Superfund Program
- United States Army Corps of Engineers
- Spill pollution, Prevention, Control and Countermeasure Plan
- Former Fort Devens Environmental Cleanup website
- MassDEP Contingency Plan
- EPA Information Repository at the Ayer Library
- EPA Superfund Records Center at the BRAC Office in Fort Devens

### **EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS**

# How can the community incorporate equity into the implementation of this action?

- Clean up sites to unrestricted standards to ensure reuse plans benefit the maximum number of residents and businesses
- Fulfill the requirements of EPA's Environmental Justice Program

### ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY

# How can we engage the populations that benefit from implementing this action?

- Updates in the Devens Weekly News
- Educational placards around successfully cleaned up areas
- Continue publicizing and keeping Remedial Action Board meetings open to the public