



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
**ST. LOUIS DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS**  
**8945 LATTY AVENUE**  
**BERKELEY, MISSOURI 63134**

REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

**JUN 07 2001**

Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program

SUBJECT: FUSRAP-Related Contamination on Publicly Owned Properties in the North St. Louis County Area

Dear Landowner:

The Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP) is an environmental program, which was established in 1974 by the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) under the authority of the Atomic Energy Act. FUSRAP addresses radiological contamination generated by uranium processing operations conducted by the Manhattan Engineer District and Atomic Energy Commission during the development of atomic weapons in the 1940s and 50s. In 1966, wastes from the St. Louis Airport Site (SLAPS) were sold to a private contractor who transported the material along haul routes to a property on Latty Avenue. Storage, handling, and transportation of the material at that time resulted in spreading the contamination to properties along haul routes, including roadways. These properties later became known as the SLAPS Vicinity Properties (SLAPS VPs) and Latty Avenue Properties. Until 1997, the Department of Energy (DOE) was the lead agency responsible for the clean up of these sites. However, under the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act for 1998, Congress transferred the administration and execution of the program to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).

The cleanup of the St. Louis FUSRAP Sites is governed by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), which was passed by Congress in 1980. CERCLA, commonly known as Superfund, provides guidelines and procedures needed to respond to releases of hazardous substances released into the environment.


An initial assessment of contamination has been completed. The USACE has been working to develop cleanup alternatives for the North County area, which includes SLAPS, the Latty Avenue properties, and the SLAPS VPs. These alternatives are currently scheduled for release to the public for review and comment later this year. Once the final cleanup alternative is selected, the USACE can begin the design and cleanup of the properties contained within the site.

The USACE understands that owners and/or their tenants may wish to improve properties contaminated with FUSRAP material before the CERCLA process is completed. You have received this letter because roadways and/or properties owned by


your organization have been identified as having radiological contamination associated with the FUSRAP project. The USACE understands that prior to final cleanup (currently scheduled for 2002 - 2009) property owners may wish to make capital improvements to their property or sell their property. On such occasions, the USACE can provide an assessment of the radiological contamination. This information can be obtained by simply calling the FUSRAP Project Office early in your capital improvement planning/sales process.

If you have any further questions or wish to discuss specific aspects of your property, please contact Ms. Sharon Cotner or Ms. Jacqueline Mattingly of my staff at (314) 260-3905 or (314) 260-3924.

Sincerely,



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