

Fair Lawn Well Field Superfund Site

Weekly Update #15 (Week of June 3, 2024)

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is overseeing the construction of a groundwater treatment system at the Fair Lawn Well Field Groundwater Contamination Superfund Site in the Borough of Fair Lawn, Bergen County, New Jersey. Please refer to the chart below to better understand each organization’s role in protecting people’s health and the environment.

We at the EPA are committed to providing regular updates on construction activities, community involvement opportunities, and other relevant information about the site. Please let us know if you have ideas or feedback for future updates.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	Responsible Parties (Ramboll Construction Contractor)	Fair Lawn Borough
Primary Point of Contact	Coordinate/Perform On-site Construction Activities (~10 months)	Building/Drinking Water Permitting
Oversee the Construction Activities (HDR are Reps On-Site)	Construction Complete/Pre-Final Inspection (EPA/Ramboll/Borough)	Final Inspection/Acceptance (EPA/Ramboll/Borough)
Lead Community Involvement Efforts; Coordinate with Borough and Responsible Parties on Periodic Updates to the Community	Temporary Operation/Training Borough (~6 months)	Ownership, Operation and Maintenance
Review and Approve Updated Plans/System Inspection	System and Groundwater/Surface Water Long Term Performance Monitoring	

Last Week (Week of May 27)

- Ramboll/JR Prisco finished installing the foundation wall forms/panels on the west side of the treatment building.
- Ramboll/JR Prisco finished pouring concrete for the foundation wall on the west side of the treatment building.
- Ramboll/JR Prisco installed anchor bolts in the concrete pillars to support the structure of the building.

This Week (Week of June 3)

- Ramboll/JR Prisco removed the foundation wall forms/panels on the west side of the treatment building after pouring the concrete.
- Ramboll/Tomco finished water pressure testing the water pipelines to ensure there are no potential leaks.
- Ramboll/Mehl continues to install the grounding whips through the foundation.
- Ramboll/JMoore will begin extending the water line pipes into the treatment building.
- Ramboll/JR Prisco will begin installing water stop joints to keep water from moving outside of the building.
- Ramboll/JR Prisco will begin refilling the excavated area around the treatment building foundation with soil that has been stored on-site.



JR Prisco Pouring Concrete Foundation Wall Westside



JR Prisco Removing Forms from Foundation Westside Wall



Building Foundation Wall Southwest Corner



Building Foundation Wall Northwest Corner



JR Prisco Installing Water Stop Gaps



Tomco Pressure Tesing Waterline



Waterline Piping Entering the Building



Waterline Piping Under the Sub Slab

Next Two Weeks (Beginning the Week of June 10)

- Ramboll/JR Prisco will begin preparing the treatment building concrete slab.
- Ramboll/Mehl will finish installing the remainder of the grounding whips through the foundation.
- Ramboll/JR Prisco will begin digging a water drainage trench to direct water to the sump (excavated pit/hole) area for water collection and discharge to the sanitary sewer waterline. The trench is designed to address any spillage that may occur when the treatment plant is operating.
- Ramboll/JR Prisco will finish refilling the excavated area around the treatment building foundation with soil that has been stored on-site.
- Ramboll/JC Moore will finish the drainage water line plumbing inside the building prior to creating a wooden framework structure to pour concrete for the sub slab.
- Ramboll/JR Prisco will create a wooden framework structure and pour concrete for the building sump.
- Ramboll/JR Prisco will install a trench drain.
- Ramboll/Tomco will air pressure test the sanitary sewer pipe to ensure there are no potential leaks.

Ongoing

- The project team continues to meet daily to review health and safety protocols for the day's construction activities.
- The EPA and/or its contractor, HDR, will continue to oversee the field construction work.

Community Engagement and Outreach



Project Site Sign and Information Mailbox

June 2024

- EPA/Ramboll installed a project sign with EPA contact information for any questions/concerns and an information mailbox to hold future EPA community update fact sheets.
- The EPA will continue to share updates with the community via email, [EPA's site webpage](#), EPA's social media accounts, the borough's newsletter and website, and at the site mailbox.

- The EPA regularly posts about work at the site on EPA Region 2's [X](#) and [Facebook](#) pages. Please check us out and share our posts!

During the construction phase and with EPA oversight, Ramboll will build a groundwater treatment plant to remove [volatile organic compounds](#), or VOCs, [1,4 Dioxane](#), and [perfluorooctanoic acid and perfluorooctane sulfonate](#) or PFOA/PFOS from the groundwater. Please see the [site's website](#) to learn more about the site.

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