



Facts About...

SNOW HILL LANE PHASE V PROPERTY (VOLUNTARY CLEANUP PROGRAM)

Site Description:

The Snow Hill Lane Phase V property is approximately one acre in size and located at the easternmost edge of Snow Hill Lane property. The site, which is located in Anne Arundel County, is situated near the intersection of Snow Hill Lane and Cedar Hill Lane.

The site is bordered to the north by the Pennington Avenue landfill, to the south by a plateau that corresponds to the Drumco drum dump site, to the east by Pennington Avenue, and the west by a suspected landfill area associated with the Pennington Avenue landfill. The site is wooded and does not contain any buildings or structures. Dirt paths provide access to both the landfill area and drum dump site and are located on the eastern and western site boundaries. The topography of the parcel is relatively flat, and may be a local depression. The topography of the area generally slopes to the south-southeast, where surface drainage is captured by the easterly-flowing Cabin Branch, which discharges to Curtis Bay approximately 1000 feet to the east.

Site History:

The entire Snow Hill Lane property history is well documented. The history of the Phase V parcel cannot be isolated because it was not previously identified as a unit separate from the rest of the Snow Hill Lane property. The following site history is that of the entire Snow Hill Lane property unless specified otherwise.

In 1944, Title Guarantee and Trust Company purchased the entire Snow Hill Lane property. Curtis Bay-Shipley Realty Corporation acquired the property in 1945, but in 1969 that corporation was dissolved. In 1982, the co-trustees deeded the property to the DWC Holding Company, and in 2000, B&S Properties Inc. acquired the property at auction.

Prior to the 1950s, the Snow Hill Lane property was primarily used for agricultural purposes. From at least the 1950s to the 1970s, the property was owned by Mr. D. Chertkof and operated as an unpermitted dump. Access to the site has historically been unrestricted and evidence of nuisance dumping has been noted on the property. The Snow Hill Lane property came to the attention of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's Waste Management Administration (WMA) in February 1982. In 1991, the EPA conducted a removal action on what is now the Phase I parcel, after which MDE determined that the remainder of the site did not need further investigation. The removal action did not address any issues on the Phase V property. Access to the entire Snow Hill Lane property continues to be unrestricted.

Environmental Investigations and Actions:

A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment was conducted in May 2003. Due to the presence of a landfill and drum dump in the vicinity of the site and observations of numerous areas of surface dumping, a limited subsurface investigation was conducted in March 2003. Elevated levels of several metals (antimony, arsenic, lead and chromium) were detected in the soil samples collected.



Current Status:

On October 12, 2004, Glen Abbey VI, LLC, submitted an application seeking a No Further Requirements Determination as an inculpable person. The property was accepted into the Voluntary Cleanup Program on December 12, 2004 pursuant to a response action plan (RAP). The RAP was submitted to the Department on March 30, 2005. A public informational meeting was held on August 1, 2005. The RAP, which included the installation of a surface cap over the entire parcel, was approved on March 27, 2006. The current development plan incorporates the site into the access road to the residential/recreational development proposed for Snow Hill Lane Phase I, II and III. RAP activities are currently scheduled to begin during June 2009.

Contact:

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