

Facts About...

NAZCON Concrete (MD-495)

Site Location

The site is located at 1160-A Spruce Avenue in the Beltsville Industrial Park, Beltsville, Prince George's County, MD. The site is at the end of Spruce Avenue between Spruce and Walnut Avenues. Coordinates for the site are 39°2.690 north latitude and 76° 53.873 west longitude. The land use surrounding the site is primarily industrial and commercial.

Site History

NAZCON Inc, a ready mix concrete company, dumped undelivered concrete and rinse water into a series of settling ponds. The precipitant solution was then discharged into the Indian Creek, which runs into the Anacostia River.

The Washington Sanitary Sewer Commission detected high pH readings in the Indian Creek and notified the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Criminal Investigation Division on September 3, 1998. On September 4, 1998, EPA plugged the conduit connecting the pond and Creek, preventing further discharge. On September 30, 1998, NAZCON signed an Administrative Order to perform site cleanup and closure to achieve all federal requirements.

Environmental Investigations

The site was discovered in September 1998 after WSSC detected elevated pH readings in a stream flowing past the site. EPA conducted a Removal Assessment on September 4, 1998 and acted to eliminate the flow of waste material from NAZCON to Indian Creek.

In August 2004, following the completion of a Responsible Party Removal Action, EPA performed a Preliminary Assessment on the site. EPA determined that there was no further remedial action planned for NAZCON and archived the site on August 18, 2004.

Current Status

Nazcon Concrete cleaned up this site under an EPA order. No further EPA involvement at the site is warranted at this time.

Contact

For additional information, please contact the Land Restoration Program at (410) 537-3440.

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