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# Aetna Lumber Site Cumberland, Maryland (MD-458)

### **Site Location**

The Aetna Lumber Site is located approximately 7 miles south-southwest of Cumberland, off of Route 220 near the town of Pinto in Allegany County, Maryland. The approximate 50-acre site is made up of two parcels, one belonging to Mr. Charles Armstrong, and the other, which is held in trusts, belongs to Mrs. Eva Barton.

# **Site History**

In November 1992, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) was notified of possible oil contamination, from logging operations, of a spring that is utilized as a drinking water source.

## **Environmental Investigations and Actions**

In May 1993, EPA 's Technical Assistance Team (TAT) collected samples along the stream bank, the spring intake box and from the taps of the Armstrong residence. The sampling revealed total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) contamination in the spring intake box up to 2062.5 mg/L and in the spring sediments up to 170.8 mg/L. Samples collected from the taps in the Armstrong household revealed TPH levels below 0.5 mg/L.

In August 1993, TAT collected soil samples on the Barton and the Armstrong property. Results of the analysis supported the hypothesis that contamination was emanating from the vicinity of a culvert on the Barton property that was believed to be the probable point of entry.

In September 1994, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) completed a Preliminary Assessment that included the review of available information, a target survey, and site reconnaissance.

#### **Current Status**

The site is on the State Master List that identifies potential hazardous waste sites in Maryland. The State Master List includes sites currently identified by the EPA Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Information System and is assigned "No Further Remedial Action Planned" status.

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