



## **Rocky Mountain Arsenal Off-Site Waste Disposal Tower Road Landfill *Fact Sheet***

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As the environmental cleanup of the Rocky Mountain Arsenal concludes, one of the last projects is the removal of the CERCLA Wastewater Treatment Plant, which was demolished this fall. The facility is located in the central portion of the Arsenal and was used to treat groundwater and wastewater from equipment decontamination. The demolition and removal of the CERCLA facility is being conducted under the Miscellaneous Rocky Mountain Arsenal Structure Demolition and Removal Project - Phase IV and will generate both hazardous and non-hazardous materials.

Following the closure of the two Arsenal on-site landfills in 2008, waste materials generated from remediation projects have been disposed of off-site at approved landfills, in accordance with plans approved by federal, state and local regulatory agencies. Most of the waste materials have been disposed of at the Deer Trail Disposal Facility operated by Clean Harbors in Deer Trail, Colorado. Some non-hazardous waste materials have been disposed of locally at the Tower Road Landfill, which is located at 88th Avenue and Tower Road in Commerce City, Colorado. These facilities are reviewed for compliance prior to any material shipments.

Both hazardous and non-hazardous waste materials removed thus far from the CERCLA facility demolition have been disposed of at the Deer Trail Disposal Facility. However, the project schedule has been impacted by daily volume limitations imposed at the Deer Trail Facility. In order to mitigate potential schedule impacts, the Arsenal has developed an alternate disposal plan for non-hazardous debris generated by the project. Specifically, the Arsenal plans to dispose of the non-hazardous debris from the project at the Tower Road Landfill Facility.

Non-hazardous debris going to the Tower Road Landfill Facility consists of asphalt from parking areas and the concrete curbs and gutters at the CERCLA facility. Additionally, the non-hazardous demolition debris from the Landfill Wastewater Treatment System Support Buildings could potentially be disposed of at the Tower Road Landfill. According to the Environmental Protection Agency, the Tower Road facility is currently in compliance with environmental regulations and approved to receive waste under the CERCLA Off-site Rule. If this disposal plan is implemented, a total of approximately 200 loads could be transported by truck from the Rocky Mountain Arsenal to the Tower Road Landfill within the next few weeks.

Hazardous waste material will continue to be taken to the Deer Trail Facility in rural eastern Adams County, which is the only facility in Colorado that is approved by the EPA and permitted to accept hazardous waste.

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