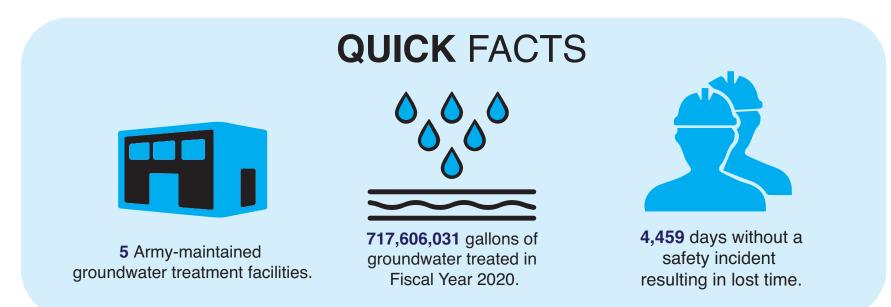
ROCKY MOUNTAIN ARSENAL

Annual Highlights from Rocky Mountain Arsenal

The environmental cleanup of Rocky Mountain Arsenal's (RMA) soils and structures successfully concluded in 2010. After the surface cleanup was completed, the Army transferred about 15,000 acres to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, which now manages the property as a national wildlife refuge.

The U.S. Army continues to maintain approximately 1,100 acres at the site as well. In cooperation with the EPA, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment and Tri-County Health Department, the Army operates groundwater treatment facilities and two on-site landfills and two waste consolidation areas located on the Army's property.



EPA Concurs on Five-Year Review Findings

In cooperation with the regulatory agencies, the Army has completed its fifth Five-Year Review at RMA. The purpose was to evaluate whether the environmental cleanup is performing as designed and whether any environmental standards relevant to the site have changed in the past five years.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) concurred that the environmental cleanup continues to be protective of human health and the environment. The final report, which is available at <u>rma.army.mil</u>, details the findings and actions to be taken to maintain long-term protectiveness.



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OSHA Recognizes RMA Safety Performance

The U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration has again recommended three organizations at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal for OSHA's highest workplace safety award. (The organizations are the U.S. Army and contractors Navarro Research and Engineering, Inc. and AECOM.) Called the Voluntary Protection Program Star certification, the designation recognizes organizations for exemplary safety performance and leadership.



Groundwater Treatment Progresses

Groundwater treatment facilities at RMA operate 24 hours a day, 365 days a year and will continue until groundwater leaving the site meets drinking water standards. Groundwater flows north and northwest, and treatment facilities are located where the groundwater can be intercepted, extracted, treated and reinjected downstream.

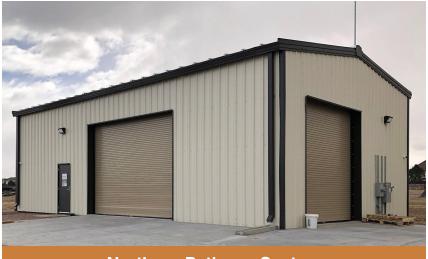
New Groundwater Treatment Plants Operating

In the past year, two new groundwater treatment facilities have been constructed to replace an older system. Called the First Creek and Northern Pathway systems, these new facilities are located closer to the areas where groundwater is extracted, which eliminates the need to pipe groundwater through the community for treatment.

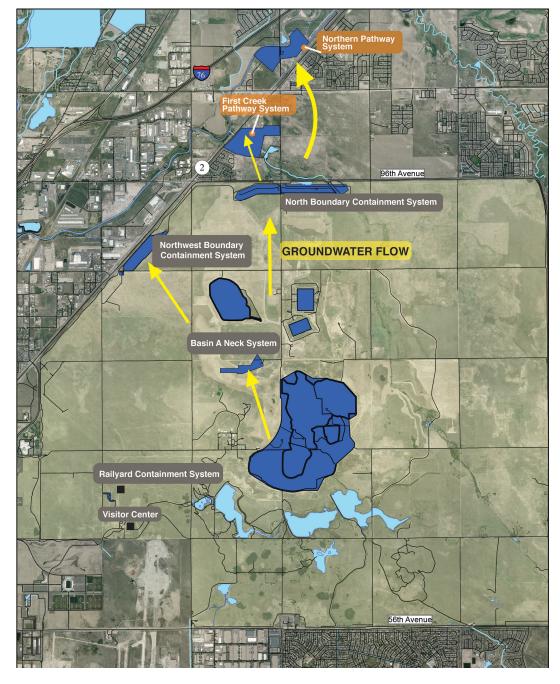
Demolition of Older Plants Scheduled

This summer, community members will see crews removing portions of the old Offpost Groundwater Intercept and Treatment System on Peoria Street northwest of Highway 2. This facility will be taken down now that two smaller replacement systems the First Creek and Northern Pathway systems—are operational.

In late summer, crews will also demolish another groundwater treatment facility. This system, called the Railyard Containment System, is located on RMA, just north of the Visitor Center. This system is no longer needed, as groundwater treatment and system shut-off criteria have been met.



Northern Pathway System





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