

**UPDATE ON EPA'S SAMPLING PROGRAM IN
AREAS NEAR MCCAFFREY STREET FACILITY
May 5, 2016**



This spring the EPA announced that it would be sampling soil, groundwater and storm drains at and near the Saint-Gobain McCaffrey Street facility in support of its evaluation of the facility for inclusion on the EPA's Superfund list. That sampling is ongoing, with results expected to be included in its report evaluating whether the site qualifies for the Superfund list. The EPA also announced that sampling of some residential properties near the facility would take place.

These sampling efforts are described in more detail in Community Update #4, which was released in early April 2016 and is available online at https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-04/documents/hoosick_falls_fact_sheet_4_sampling_final.pdf. The status of these sampling efforts are described below.

The sampling work to evaluate the McCaffrey Street facility for inclusion on the Superfund list is ongoing:

- During the week of April 18th, EPA installed several groundwater monitoring wells within ½ mile of the facility.
- On April 25th, EPA began sampling soil at the McCaffrey Street facility. Sampling at 15 locations was completed on May 4th.
- On May 9th, EPA will begin sampling groundwater at the following locations:
 - 1) existing on-site groundwater monitoring wells at the McCaffrey Street facility
 - 2) off-site monitoring wells
- Waste water from the McCaffrey Street facility will also be sampled.
- Groundwater and waste water sampling is expected to be completed around May 20th.
- Sampling of public supply wells along Waterworks Road will begin after the on-site and off-site sampling of monitoring wells is completed (tentative start date May 23)

As noted in Community Update #4, all results of this investigation are expected to come back by mid-summer 2016.

In a separate effort, during the week of May 9th, EPA expects to sample soil at some residential properties along Carey Avenue near the McCaffrey Street facility, as well as the swampy area southeast of the facility and the football field and park areas at the end of Waterworks Road. This will take approximately one week to complete, and results should be available by July 2016. An update discussing the overall findings will be provided to the community.