

U.S. EPA is Cleaning up Former Auto Shop

Vincent Marathon Site

Edenville, MI

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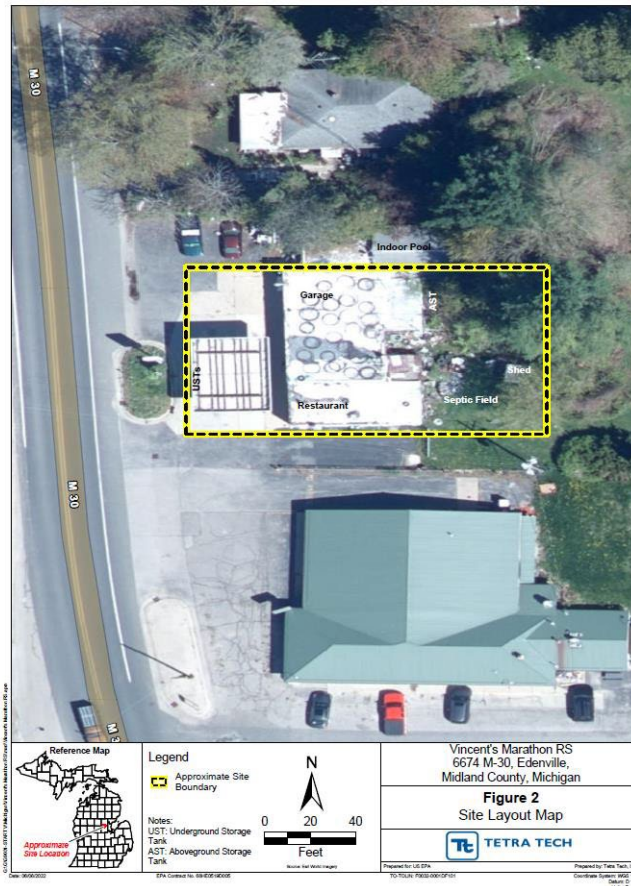
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Website

<https://response.epa.gov/Vincent>



Site Layout Map 6674 M30, Edenville, MI

At the request of the State of Michigan, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency plans to remove drums and small containers of hazardous waste including benzene, perchloroethylene (PCE), and chlordane from the site. The property is at 6674 M-30, Edenville, Midland County, Michigan.

Clean up will begin January 24th and be completed by mid-spring. Crews will dispose of contaminated materials (55-gallon drums, cleaning products, and pesticides). Measures will be in place to ensure the work is done safely and doesn't affect surrounding buildings and neighborhoods.

What is Benzene and how do they pose a risk to people?

Benzene is a naturally occurring and from human activities. This element is used to make other chemicals which are used to make plastics, resins, and nylon and synthetic fibers. Benzene is also a natural part of crude oil, gasoline, and cigarette smoke.

Benzene can be released into the air. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services have determined benzene as carcinogenic to humans.

For more information about Benzene and its related health risks, visit:
<https://wwwn.cdc.gov/TSP/substances/ToxSubstance.aspx?toxid=14>

Work site safety

Contractors are performing the cleanup under U.S. EPA direction and oversight. They are taking steps to protect the health and safety of residents and workers.

Access to the worksite will be limited by signage and snow fencing. As work proceeds within and around the property, control and decontamination areas will be set up for workers, materials and equipment leaving the site. Additionally, residents may see workers wearing protective suits and gear.

U.S. EPA will conduct air monitoring for worker and public health and safety.

There will be some noise from the use of equipment, but work will be limited to Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.



Contaminated 55-Gallon Drums

What is being done to clean up the site?

After removing all hazardous waste and debris, workers will transport the waste to an approved off-site disposal facility.

Site background

The 0.64-acre Site is a former gas station and auto repair shop. The Site is in a residential area and contains one building that had been used as an auto service station. The building also contained a restaurant and a garage. Historic operations included cleaning car parts, drum and container storage, and fuel services.



Contaminated Site

What was previously done at the site?

After the property was flooded from the Edenville Dam in March 2020 the property closed and never reopened.