



Former Tronox/Kerr-McGee Wood Treatment Facility Springfield, Missouri June 2021

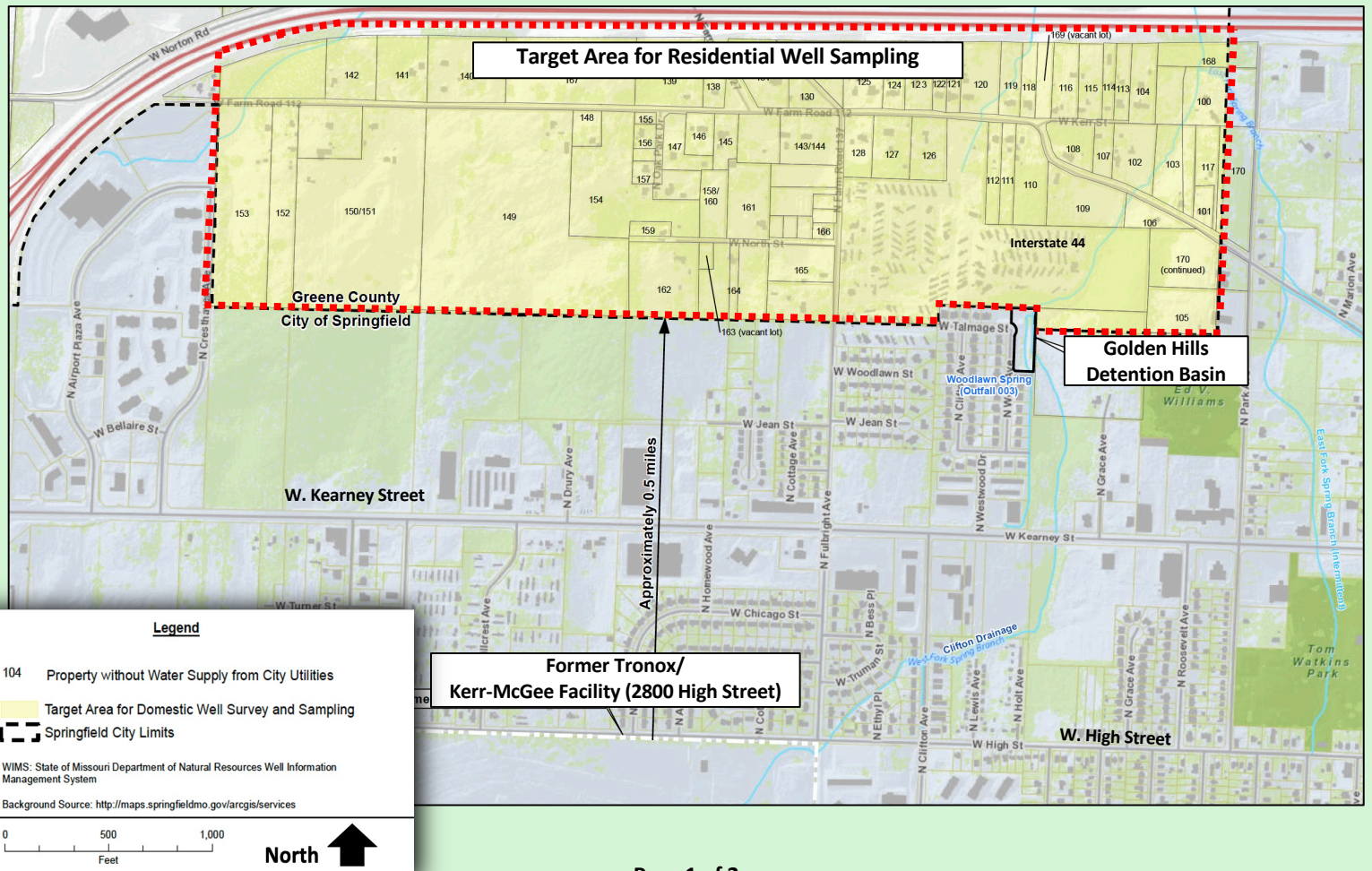
Residential Well Sampling to Begin June 21, 2021

Greenfield Environmental Multistate Trust LLC, Trustee of the Multistate Environmental Response Trust (the Multistate Trust) is planning to sample groundwater in your neighborhood as part of investigation activities related to the former Tronox/Kerr-McGee Wood Treatment Facility (Facility). Private water wells will be sampled for Facility-related chemicals of concern.

Starting June 21, a representative from the Multistate Trust's contractor, Environmental Works, Inc. (EWI), will go door to door to locate water wells in your neighborhood, ask you about the construction of your well, and seek written permission to sample your well. The samples will be collected from an indoor tap or an outdoor spigot, depending on your preference, and will take about one hour to complete. The sampling results will be provided to you. All sampling results will be reported to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MoDNR) and will become part of the public record, though all property ownership and address information will remain confidential.

During this visit, you may ask EWI to sample your well at another time that is more convenient for you. If you decide to decline access, samples will not be collected from your well. This work will be performed **at no cost to you**.

This work is being performed under the oversight of the MoDNR.



Brief History and Protection of Human Health and the Environment

Beginning in 1907, the Facility was used for wood treatment operations for almost 100 years by several entities, including Kerr-McGee, which acquired it in 1964. During this time, chemicals were released to the subsurface and contaminated the groundwater. In 2004, Kerr-McGee decommissioned the Facility, and in 2005 transferred ownership to a Kerr-McGee spinoff, Tronox. As part of a 2011 Tronox bankruptcy settlement, ownership, and management of the Facility was transferred to the Multistate Trust. All that remains at the ±68-acre Facility is a building containing an office, storage area, and groundwater pre-treatment system. The Facility is regulated under a Missouri Hazardous Waste Management Facility Part I Permit and is under post-closure care and a corrective action program.

The area in and around Springfield has an extensive network of voids, caverns, and sinkholes in the shallow bedrock, and springs that surface at various points. This “karst” geology provides selective pathways for contamination to potentially travel farther than in soil or saturated groundwater zones. In karst geology, groundwater contaminant plumes are difficult to delineate because they often do not follow a predictable pattern.

The Multistate Environmental Response Trust

The Multistate Trust is an independent, court-appointed trust whose main purpose is to protect human health and environment, including by owning, investigating, and cleaning up the Facility in Springfield and hundreds of other former Tronox/Kerr-McGee sites, under the oversight of the Multistate Trust’s federal and state beneficiaries. The State of Missouri, acting by and through the MoDNR, is the lead regulatory agency for the Facility in Springfield and a beneficiary of the Multistate Trust.

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Our Activities During the COVID-19 Pandemic

The Multistate Trust team will complete the residential well survey and sampling in accordance with federal, state, and local COVID-19 requirements. We will follow protocols designed to prevent spread of the virus, such as practicing social distancing and using face masks and gloves, as appropriate.