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PUBLIC NOTICE

Site Boundary Expanded to Include All of Jasper County Oronogo-Duenweg Mining Belt NPL Superfund Site Jasper County, Missouri - April 2024

The boundary of the **Oronogo-Duenweg Mining Belt National Priorities List (NPL) Superfund Site** (site) has been expanded to include all of Jasper County, Missouri. EPA, the state, and local partners identified the presence of contamination in surface soil and groundwater from historic mining activities throughout the county – including Carthage, Sarcoxie, and other areas – beyond EPA’s original site boundary that covered Joplin, Webb City, Oronogo, and the western side of the county. The site boundary expansion will allow EPA to conduct long-term cleanup actions that are necessary to protect human health and the environment.

EPA solicited public input about the proposed boundary change starting in 2023. For more information, visit: www.epa.gov/mo/oronogo-duenweg-mining-belt-national-priorities-list-npl-superfund-site-jasper-county-missouri-7 and <https://semspub.epa.gov/work/07/30826219.pdf>. Learn more about the NPL at www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-national-priorities-list-npl.

Lead is a toxic metal that is harmful if inhaled or ingested and can pose serious health risks, particularly to children under 7 years old, as well as pregnant women and nursing mothers. For information on how to protect your family from lead hazards, visit: www.epa.gov/mo/protect-your-family-lead-hazards-historic-lead-mining-areas-fact-sheet-august-2022.

For more information about the site, please visit EPA’s Site Profile page at: www.epa.gov/superfund/oronogoduenwegmining. If you have questions about the site or would like to join the site contact list, please contact **Liz Blackburn**, EPA remedial project manager, at 913-551-7899 or Blackburn.Lizi@epa.gov; or **Elizabeth Kramer**, EPA community involvement coordinator, at 913-551-7186, Kramer.Elizabeth@epa.gov, or r7-tsmd@epa.gov.

