

go directly to the Home Page for the Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) at <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/cumulative>.

2. *In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket ID number OPP-2002-0154. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as Confidential Business Information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The PIRIB telephone number is (703) 305-5805.

C. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

As described in Unit III. of the notice published in the **Federal Register** of June 20, 2002 (67 FR 41993) (FRL-7183-1), you may submit your comments through the mail, in person, or electronically. Please follow the instructions that are provided in that notice. Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify docket ID number OPP-2002-0154 in the subject line on the first page of your response.

D. How Should I Handle CBI that I Want to Submit to the Agency?

Do not submit any information electronically that you consider to be CBI. You may claim information that you submit to EPA in response to this document as CBI by marking any part or all of that information as CBI. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes any information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public version of the official record. Information not marked confidential

will be included in the public version of the official record without prior notice. If you have any questions about CBI or the procedures for claiming CBI, please consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

E. What Should I Consider as I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

1. Explain your views as clearly as possible.
2. Describe any assumptions that you used.
3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.
5. Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns.
6. Offer alternative ways to improve the notice.
7. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline in this notice.
8. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket ID number assigned to this action in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation.

II. Background

EPA is extending the comment period for the revised OP cumulative risk assessment, which was released to the public for comment in the **Federal Register** of June 20, 2002 (67 FR 41993) (FRL-7183-1). The documents provide information on the revisions that were made to the preliminary OP cumulative risk assessment, which was released to the public in the **Federal Register** of December 28, 2001 (66 FR 67249) (FRL-6816-5).

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Chemicals, Pesticides and pests.

Dated: July 17, 2002.

Lois Ann Rossi,

Director, Special Review and Reregistration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7249-2]

Announcement of Public Comment Period for Draft Contaminated Sediments Science Plan

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency has developed and requests public comment on the draft Contaminated Sediments Science Plan. The Contaminated Sediments Science Plan is available electronically at <http://www.epa.gov/superfund/action/guidance/cssp.pdf> and <http://www.epa.gov/superfund/action/guidance/cssp-appendix.pdf>. This science plan is a mechanism for the EPA to develop and coordinate Agency-wide science activities in the contaminated sediments area. Along with the EPA's contaminated sediments science activities database, this plan provides an analysis of the current Agency science activities in this area, identifies and evaluates the science gaps, and provides a strategy for filling those gaps. Implementation of the science recommendations will be contingent upon overall Agency priorities and resources available within the annual budgetary planning cycle. Four questions for which the EPA is particularly seeking public comment are provided below in the section Issues for Public Comment. The information submitted in response to this notice will be considered by the EPA in the completion of the final document.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 20, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail, or through hand delivery/courier. Follow the detailed instructions provided in section I.B. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact the RCRA/Superfund Call Center at (800) 424-9346; from the Washington, DC, metropolitan area call (703) 412-9810. The Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) number is (800) 553-7672; from the Washington, DC, metropolitan area the number is (703) 412-3323. For technical inquiries, you may contact Lee Hofmann, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, Mail Code 5103T, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460 at telephone

number 202-566-1928, or by email hofmann.lee@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. How Can I Get Copies of This Document and Other Related Information?

1. *Docket*: The EPA has established an official public docket for this action under Docket ID No. SFUND-2002-0004. The official public docket is the collection of materials that is available for public viewing at EPA, Superfund Docket located at 1235 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia. This Docket Facility is open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The Docket telephone number is (703) 603-9232.

2. *Electronic Access*. You may access this **Federal Register** notice or document electronically through the EPA Internet under the "**Federal Register**" listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

An electronic version of the public docket is available through the EPA's electronic public docket and comment system, EPA Dockets. You may use the EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket/> to submit or view public comments, to access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the appropriate docket identification number.

Certain types of information will not be placed in the EPA Dockets. Information claimed as CBI and other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute, which is not included in the official public docket, will not be available for public viewing in the EPA's electronic public docket. The EPA's policy is that copyrighted material will not be placed in the EPA's electronic public docket but will be available only in printed, paper form in the official public docket. Although not all docket materials may be available electronically, you may still access any of the publicly available docket materials through the docket facility identified in section I.B.

For public commenters, it is important to note that the EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing in the EPA's electronic public docket as the EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or

other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. When the EPA identifies a comment containing copyrighted material, the EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in the EPA's electronic public docket. The entire printed comment, including the copyrighted material, will be available in the public docket.

Public comments submitted on computer disks that are mailed or delivered to the docket will be transferred to the EPA's electronic public docket. Public comments that are mailed or delivered to the Docket will be scanned and placed in the EPA's electronic public docket. Where practical, physical objects will be photographed, and the photograph will be placed in the EPA's electronic public docket along with a brief description written by the docket staff.

For additional information about the EPA's electronic public docket visit EPA Dockets online or see 67 FR 38102, May 31, 2002.

B. How and to Whom Do I Submit Comments?

You may submit comments electronically, by mail, by facsimile, or through hand delivery/courier. To ensure proper receipt by the EPA, identify the appropriate docket identification number in the subject line on the first page of your comment. Please ensure that your comments are submitted within the specified comment period. You may submit comments until 60 days from the date of this document. Comments received after the close of the comment period will be marked "late." The EPA is not required to consider these late comments.

1. *Electronically*. If you submit an electronic comment as prescribed below, the EPA recommends that you include your name, mailing address, and an e-mail address or other contact information in the body of your comment. Also include this contact information on the outside of any disk or CD ROM you submit, and in any cover letter accompanying the disk or CD ROM. This ensures that you can be identified as the submitter of the comment and allows the EPA to contact you in case the EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties or needs further information on the substance of your comment. The EPA's policy is that the EPA will not edit your comment, and any identifying or contact information provided in the body of a comment will be included as part of the comment that is placed in the official public docket, and made available in the EPA's electronic public docket. If the

EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, the EPA may not be able to consider your comment.

i. *EPA Dockets*. Your use of the EPA's electronic public docket to submit comments to the EPA electronically is the EPA's preferred method for receiving comments. Go directly to EPA Dockets at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>, and follow the online instructions for submitting comments. To access the EPA's electronic public docket from the EPA Internet Home Page, select "Information Sources, Dockets," and "EPA Dockets." Once in the system, select "search," and then key in Docket ID No. SFUND-2002-0004. The system is an "anonymous access" system, which means the EPA will not know your identity, e-mail address, or other contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment.

ii. *E-mail*. Comments may be sent by electronic mail (e-mail) to Superfund.docket@epa.gov, Attention Docket ID No. SFUND-2002-0004. In contrast to the EPA's electronic public docket, the EPA's e-mail system is not an "anonymous access" system. If you send an e-mail comment directly to the Docket without going through the EPA's electronic public docket, the EPA's e-mail system automatically captures your e-mail address. E-mail addresses that are automatically captured by the EPA's e-mail system are included as part of the comment that is placed in the official public docket, and made available in the EPA's electronic public docket.

iii. *Disk or CD ROM*. You may submit comments on a disk or CD ROM that you mail to the mailing address identified in section I.B.2. These electronic submissions will be accepted in WordPerfect or ASCII file format. Avoid the use of special characters and any form of encryption.

2. *By Mail*. Send an original and three copies of your comments and enclosures (including references) to: EPA, Superfund Docket Contaminated Sediments Science Plan, Mail Code 5202G, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460, Attention Docket ID No. SFUND-2002-0004. If you want receipt of your comments acknowledged, you must include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

3. *By Hand Delivery or Courier*. Deliver an original and three copies of your comments and enclosures (including references) to: Superfund Docket, 1235 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia, Attention Docket ID No. SFUND-2002-0004. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Docket's normal hours of operation as identified in Unit I.A.1.

4. *By Facsimile.* Fax your comments to: (703) 603-9240, Attention Docket ID. No. SFUND-2002-0004.

II. Purpose of the Science Plan

This Contaminated Sediments Science Plan is a mechanism for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to develop and coordinate Agency-wide science activities in the contaminated sediments area. Along with the EPA's contaminated sediments science activities database, this plan provides an analysis of the current Agency science activities in this area, identifies and evaluates the science gaps, and provides a strategy for filling these gaps. The Contaminated Sediments Science Plan has three goals to promote the vision of providing a strong scientific basis for addressing contaminated sediments: (1) To develop and disseminate the tools and science necessary to address the management of contaminated sediments; (2) To enhance the level of coordination and communication of science activities dealing with contaminated sediments across the Agency Program and Regional Offices and the Office of Research and Development; and (3) To develop an effective, cost-efficient strategy to promote these scientific activities and research.

III. Description of Science Plan

The draft document has four chapters. Chapter 1 discusses the goals and objectives and how the Science Plan relates to the Agency's mandate. Chapter 2 provides an overview of the contaminated sediments work across the Agency. These issue summaries provide the overall context for the discussion of the specific research and science needs given in the rest of the Science Plan. Chapter 3, along with the EPA's contaminated sediments science activities database (Appendix A), is the data collection and analysis section of the Science Plan. It documents the current contaminated sediment science activities ongoing within the Agency and places these activities within the context of Agency goals. These activities are sediment site characterization, exposure assessment, human health and ecological risk assessment, risk communication, sediment remediation, baseline and post-remediation monitoring and information management and exchange activities. Significant data gaps and uncertainties in methodology/assessment procedures are identified. Finally, it proposes research and science activities to fill those data gaps and resolve related issues. Chapter 4 provides the key recommendations for future Agency

science activities, including research, based upon the discussion in Chapter 3. For each recommendation, critical EPA partners, and the immediate or long-term nature of the science activity are proposed. An internal mechanism for implementing the science recommendations is proposed. Implementation of the science recommendations will be contingent upon overall Agency priorities and resources available within the annual budgetary planning cycle.

Issues for Public Comment: The EPA solicits comments on all aspects of the draft science plan. In particular, the EPA requests comments and information on the following questions: (1) The Contaminated Sediments Science Plan (Science Plan) is the first official Agency science plan of its kind designed to address a significant cross-agency environmental issue in a systematic and integrated fashion. Does the Science Plan adequately convey the need for such a strategic planning document, i.e., are the goals and objectives of the plan understandable and appropriate to the subject? (2) Are the major areas of contaminated sediments science (sediment site characterization, exposure assessment, human health effects and risk assessment, ecological effects and risk assessment, sediment remediation, baseline and post-remediation monitoring, risk communication, and information management and exchange activities) appropriately addressed? Are any major areas missing?

(3) Are the key recommendations clearly defined and appropriate to resolve the science needs discussed in Chapter 3?

(4) Are there other issues or key recommendations which should be considered in this Science Plan?

Dated: July 12, 2002.

Marianne Lamont Horinko,

Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7248-8]

Valley Chemical Superfund Site/ Greenville, MS; Notice of Proposed Settlement

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of proposed settlement.

SUMMARY: Under section 122(h)(1) of the Comprehensive Environmental

Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has proposed to settle claims for response costs at the Valley Chemical Superfund Site (Site) located in Greenville, Mississippi, with Carl A. Bauer. EPA will consider public comments on the proposed settlement for thirty days. EPA may withdraw from or modify the proposed settlement should such comments disclose facts or considerations which indicate the proposed settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. Copies of the proposed settlement are available from: Ms. Paula V. Batchelor, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IV, CERCLA Program Services Branch, Waste Management Division, 61 Forsyth Street, SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303, (404) 562-8887.

Written comment may be submitted to Mr. Greg Armstrong at the above address within 30 days of the date of publication.

Dated: June 26, 2002.

James T. Miller,

Acting Chief, CERCLA Program Services Branch, Waste Management Division.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[CC Docket No. 96-45; DA 02-1466]

Wireline Competition Bureau Seeks Comment on Smith Bagley, Inc. Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier for the Navajo Reservation in Utah

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice; solicitation of comments.

SUMMARY: In a Public Notice in this proceeding released on June 21, 2002, the Wireline Competition Bureau sought comment on Smith Bagley's petition seeking designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier to receive Federal universal service support for the provision of service on the Navajo Reservation in Utah.

DATES: Comments are due on or before August 21, 2002. Reply comments are due on or before September 5, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554. See Supplementary Information section for where and how to file comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anita Cheng, Assistant Division Chief,