

Sechan Limestone Industries, Inc.

2925 New Castle Road
Portersville, PA 16051
Congressional District 21
EPA ID #: PAD002860377
Facility Property Area: 1500 acres
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Status

The site was formerly a limestone mining operation. In the late 1970s the facility began to close-out the remaining solid waste management units. These units consisted of and not limited to several on-site landfills, impoundments and sedimentation ponds. These units were closed under the supervision of the PADEP. With the closures of the former landfills and required by law, the Sechan facility continues to monitor the groundwater wells to ensure that the leachate in the former landfills does not migrate off-site.

In April 2001, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) conducted a site visit. The visit consisted of a site tour, and information gathering to assess the current status of the site. EPA determined that both Environmental Indicators for human exposures and groundwater migration are under control. RCRA Corrective Action activities at this facility are being conducted under the direction of EPA Region 3 with assistance from the State. The facility will continue to implement the existing groundwater monitoring program to ensure that groundwater migration will continue to be under control. Currently, institutional controls are not required at this time.

Facility Description

The Sechan site is located in a predominantly rural area of western Pennsylvania and occupies approximately 1500 acres. During its heyday from the 1940s through the early 1970s the facility principal operation was limestone mining. The lime was used during the highway construction boom. When the limestone sources were exhausted the facility began to close-out the remaining solid waste management units. The Sechan site no longer operates limestone mining. A small section of the site has been converted to a rental trailer park.

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