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**NOTICE**  
 THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY ANNOUNCES THE AVAILABILITY OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD, AND THE SCHEDULING OF A PUBLIC MEETING, HEARING, AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON THE PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE FOR THE ENGINEERING EVALUATION/COST ANALYSIS AT THE CENTREDALE MANOR RESTORATION PROJECT NORTH PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

The United States Environmental Protection Agency recently completed an Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) that analyzed alternatives to address contaminated soil and sediment along the Woonasquatucket River flood plain downstream from the Centredeale Manor and Brook Village properties. Based on the EE/CA, EPA is recommending a preferred alternative, which is discussed in a fact sheet. EPA invites public comment on the alternatives evaluated in the EE/CA.

EPA will hold a 30-day public comment period, from OCTOBER 3, 2000 THROUGH NOVEMBER 3, 2000, to provide an opportunity for the public to participate in the review of the cleanup plan. During the comment period, the public is invited to review the EE/CA, which is available at the information Repositories listed below, and to offer written or verbal comments.

EPA and the Woonasquatucket River Management Action Committee will conduct a public meeting at 7:00 PM ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2000 to summarize the results of the EE/CA, to explain EPA's preferred alternative, and to answer questions about the investigations and findings. EPA will conduct a public hearing at 7:00 PM ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2000, to accept verbal comments on the preferred alternative as presented in the EPA fact sheet. Both events will be held at the NORTH PROVIDENCE TOWN HALL, 2ND FLOOR, 2000 Smith Street, North Providence. The hearing will be transcribed and a copy of the transcript will be available at the Information Repositories. Interested citizens may submit written statements or offer verbal comments on the EE/CA at the hearing.

The EE/CA evaluated the following alternatives to address dioxin contaminated soils and sediments in the Woonasquatucket River flood plain adjacent to Allendale and Lymansville Ponds and at the Allendale Dam:

Alternative 1: Cap residential soils and flood plain sediments and restore the Allendale Dam.

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Disposal Option 1: Consolidation and capping at a protected area on-site (probably above the existing cap at 2074 Smith St).

Disposal Option 2: Off-site disposal at an approved landfill.

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EPA's preferred cleanup is Alternative 3 combined with Disposal Option 3.

The Administrative Record which includes documents that will form the basis for EPA's selection of a on-time-critical removal action for the Centredeale Manor Restoration Project, will be available for review as of October 3, 2000 at the Salvatore Mancini Library in North Providence, the Marian J. Mohr Library in Johnston, and the EPA Records Center.

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 Union Free Library  
 1810 Mineral Spring Ave.  
 North Providence, RI  
 Marian J. Mohr Library  
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If you would like to comment in writing on the EE/CA, please mail your written comments (post-marked no later than NOVEMBER 1, 2000) to: Anna Krasko, Remedial Project Manager, 1 Congress St., Suite 1100 (HBO) Boston, Massachusetts 02203; (617) 918-1232; fax (617) 918-1291; or by e-mail to [krasko.anna@epa.gov](mailto:krasko.anna@epa.gov).

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