



**Comment Period New Bedford Marine Commerce Terminal Jul 16 -Aug 21 questions**

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Re : EPA draft determination dates. Hydrocarbons -buried fuel tanks - land transfers after July 16

The question is : Land swaps have taken place in New Bedford after the start date of the July 16,2012 date to make comments on the New Bedford Marine Commerce Terminal. See July 19,2012 news story from the New Bedford Standard Times. The land in question is called the "Standard Times Field ". The question is does the draft determination take into account the transfer of Brownfields on the site during the comment period ? Should the EPA waited until all the land involved in the project was transferred or purchased prior to a comment period?

The urls are next : The hydrocarbons and former 150,000 gal fuel tank are gone ? When were they removed?

Thanks Frank Haggerty, Mattapoissett

The draft EPA determination was released for public review and comment on C O M M E N T PERIOD:  
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<http://epa.gov/nbh/pdfs/509463.pdf>

<http://www.southcoasttoday.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20120719/NEWS/207190350/-1/rss25>

Council to take South Terminal vote, as project begins to inch forward

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July 19, 2012 12:00 AM to the South Terminal facility, a sign that progress on the much vaunted — and still up-in-the-air — project could start to accelerate in coming months.

<http://www.epa.gov/region1/brownfields/success/newbedford1.html>

Over ten locations at well points have Hydrocarbons in excess of allowable standards. Hydrocarbons are a precursor to ground-level ozone, a serious air pollutant in cities across the United States. The area is loaded with asbestos and several feet of coal residue.

<http://www.newbedford-ma.gov/Environmental/L2006-034new.pdf>

"Potential impacts to site soil and groundwater from a suspected 150,000-gallon fuel oil underground storage tank (UST) potentially located on the subject site, and former USTs in the vicinity of the site."

"A June 1920 Acushnet Mills map prepared for the Plan Department of the Associated Mutual Insurance Companies indicates that a 150,000-gallon fuel oil UST was formerly located on the subject site. TRC's determination was based on a scaled overlay of the aforementioned 1920 Acushnet Mills map over a current City of New Bedford land parcel map. In addition, the site of a former 550-gallon gasoline UST associated with the former mills is located approximately 30 feet west (upgradient) of the subject site."