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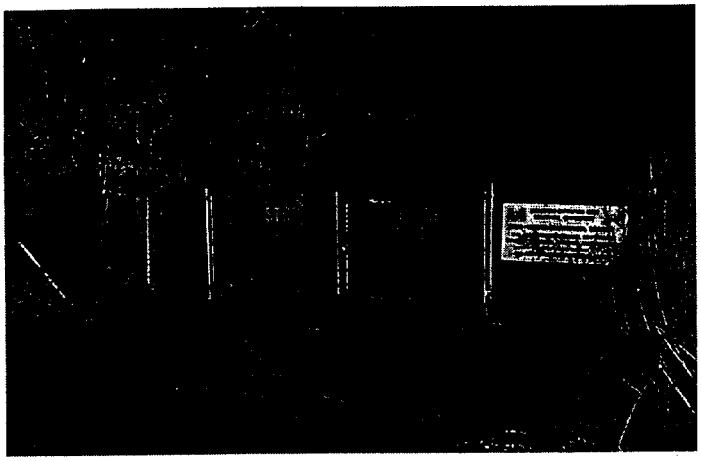
Temporary Action at Shore Road



The fencing limiting access to Shore Road and the Housatonic Boat Club will be removed once temporary protective work is completed .

Background

In early January, the EPA announced a delay in the agency's plan to cleanup Raymark contaminated soils at Shore Road and the Housatonic Boat Club. This delay is in response to comments from the Stratford community at large. Community comments requested that there be a comprehensive cleanup plan for all known Raymark waste locations around Stratford before any extensive and permanent action is taken at Shore Road or any other location. The Stratford Town Council is currently organizing a community advisory group, representative of a range of interests in the community, to assist the town in working with EPA and the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (CTDEP) to develop a comprehensive cleanup plan. Because of this, a long-term solution for Shore Road may not be finalized for 3 to 5 years.

In the meantime, temporary measures will be taken to prevent people from being exposed to the contamination that is presently found in the Shore Road area. These temporary measures will include repairing and supplementing the temporary capping that was put in place in 1994.

The temporary measures will be substantial enough to be protective for 3 to 5 years and are being designed to the extent possible to reduce any additional rework or logistical problems during the final cleanup anticipated to be 3 to 5 years from now.

Proposed Action

In general, the following action will be taken to address potential exposure to Raymark waste (see corresponding numbered locations on map and inside photos:

- **[1]** Excavation of contaminated soils and construction of a permanent clean zone along the unprotected southern tidal wetland adjacent to Shore Road and the Housatonic Boat Club.
- **[2]** Construction of a clean zone at the causeway between the main boat club building and the southern youth activity center. The clean causeway will consist of a geotextile fabric, covered and fortified with a stone riprap. (Riprap is an arrangement of large stones, generally uniform in size, commonly placed along embankments or drainage ways to prevent erosion.)
- **[3]** Placement of excavated contaminated soils on-site. Reworking of excavated soils and placing a temporary asphalt capping over the soils, and paving/resurfacing of all other surfaces currently covered with asphalt or gravel.
- **[4]** Repair of existing stone riprap along the Housatonic River at the boat club.
- **[5]** Restoration of sections of the western shoulder of Shore Road and the embankment along the Shakespeare Festival property. Repairs will consist of selective placement of geotextile fabric, topsoil and grass cover where required.
- **[6]** Asphalt capping of selected sections of the eastern shoulder of Shore Road.
- **[7]** Installation of a sanitary sewer connection from the boat club to the municipal sewer system; Modifications to the existing underground water system. These installations/upgrades will minimize exposure to contaminants during routine maintenance and repair.

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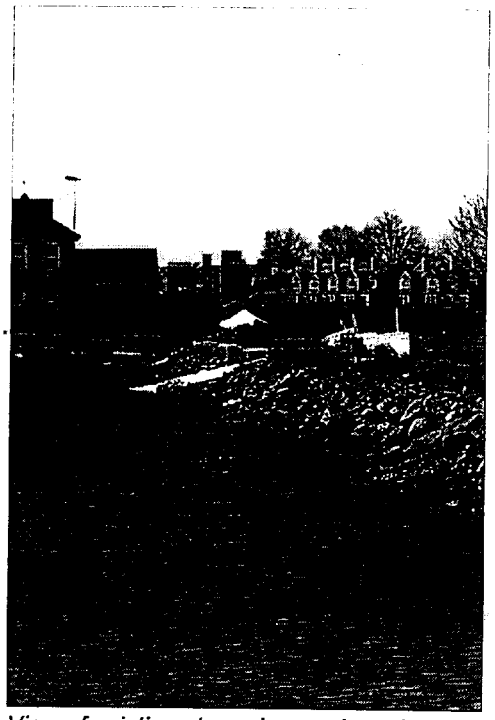
Schedule:

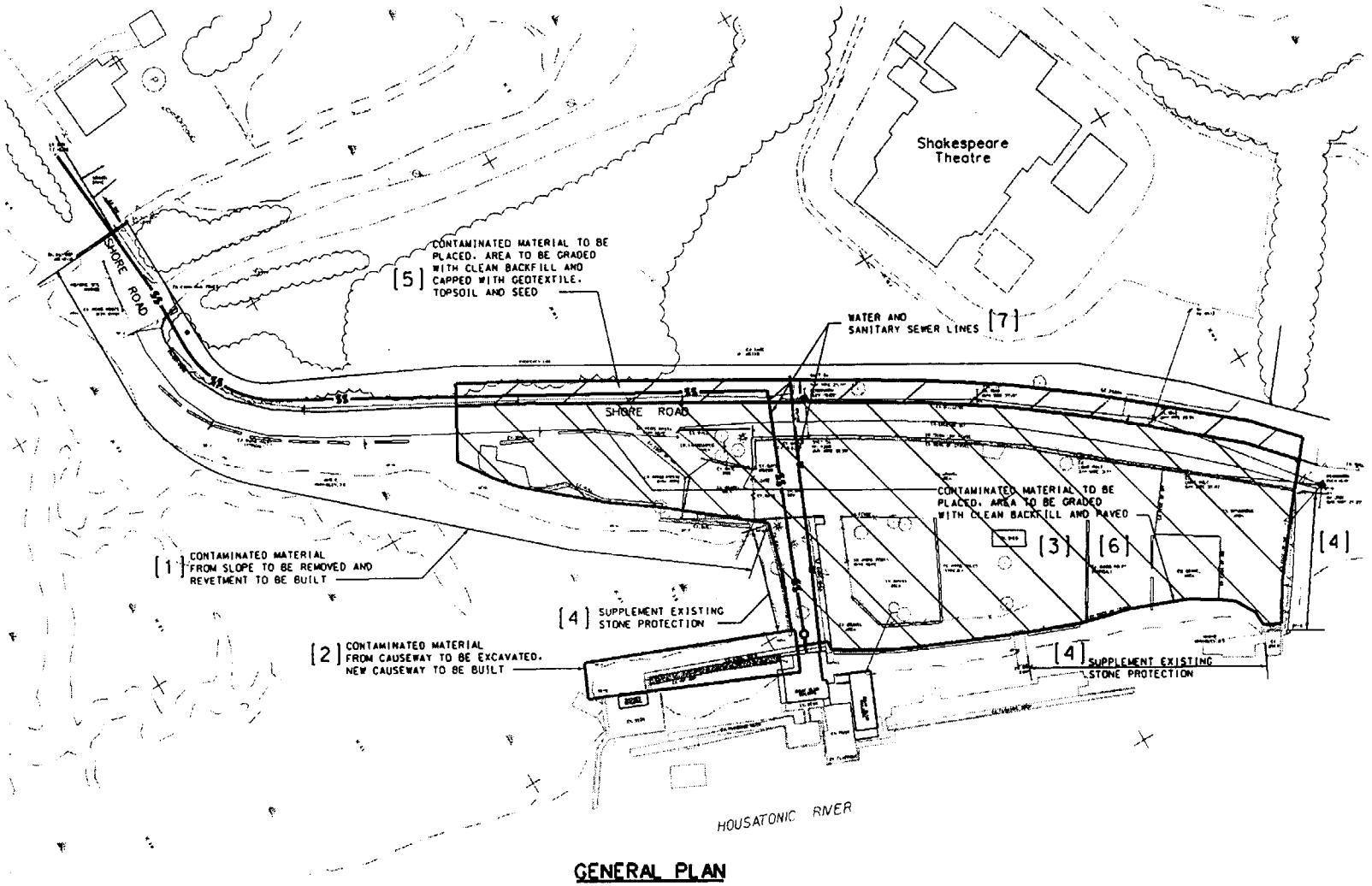
Temporary site construction facilities will be mobilized starting the week of March 20, 2000 and construction activities will commence in early April and extend through June 2000. A five-day workweek is anticipated with a 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM work schedule. Typical construction activities will include contaminated soil excavation, clean fill placement and compaction, sewer line installation, paving, fencing and site restoration. Typical site construction equipment will include excavators, dump trucks and backhoes.

A comprehensive health and safety plan and air monitoring plan will be developed and implemented for all site activities.



View of existing stone rip rap along the river at the boat club **[4]**.

Looking south along Shore Road from existing security fence. On the right is the western shoulder of the road and the embankment along the Shakespeare Festival property **[5]**. *On the left is the eastern shoulder of Shore Road* **[6]**.



GENERAL PLAN

Contact these individuals for additional information

These people at US EPA, the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection, the Connecticut Department of Public Health, and the Town of Stratford are responsible for overseeing the Raymark Superfund Site.

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