

PRAIRIE BAND POTAWATOMI NATION CERCLA 128(a) TRIBAL RESPONSE PROGRAM

WHAT IS THE TRIBAL RESPONSE PROGRAM?

The PBPN Tribal Response Program (TRP) is funded through the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Section 128(a). Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Regional Offices administer the funds by awarding assistance agreements to Tribal Response Programs. The Nation's Tribal Response Program focuses on identifying and cleaning up all illegal dump sites, educating the public about illegal dumping and increasing emergency preparedness.

Activities initiated with this assistance agreement and currently in progress include:

- Completing an inventory of potential brownfield sites within the Potawatomi Reservation
- Developing a formal process for identifying, assessing, cleaning up and redeveloping known or potential brownfield sites
- Developing protocol for responding to Community requests for site investigation
- Fostering public participation and education
- Developing and maintaining a public record

ELIGIBLE SITES TO BE ADDRESSED IN 2017:

1. C & D Site (PT 53) 14780 L Road – Mayetta, KS

This site was used as both a construction and demolition landfill and a community open dump. Construction and demolition materials and household waste were likely buried together in approximately 4-5 cells.



2. Nicols Site (PT 213) 9187 174 Road – Mayetta, KS

This site was previously a family farmstead. Several abandoned structures and foundations remain onsite. Tires, demolition materials, burn piles, household solid waste, and other unknown materials are scattered throughout the property.



PHASE I ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENTS COMPLETED IN 2016:

1. **Eby (PT206) 18396 H Rd- Mayetta, KS.
39.379636, -95.899642**

This property was rented out as grazing pasture. Projected improvements in future, pond project on the middle- east side of the tract. The property has an illegal dumpsite with potential contamination on the east side.



2. **Road & Bridge Dept. 14880 150th, Mayetta, KS
39.315509, -95.847372**

This property was developed as a government/administrative building in the mid-1970's. It was repurposed in approximately 1997 and has since been utilized as the headquarters for the Tribal Road and Bridge Department. One building is used as an administrative office. There are six adjunct structures on the property utilized for equipment and supply storage.



In addition to the functional and structural portion of the property, there is a large collection/disposal yard containing damaged and abandoned equipment, residential waste, used tires, construction and demolition materials, and used oil, petroleum, and tar containers. The storage yard is uncontained and best management practices are not utilized in storage, collection and/or disposal.

OTHER SITES

In addition to the eligible sites mentioned, some sites were considered but deemed ineligible for PBPN 128(a) TRP action and some sites are being considered for future PBPN 128(a) TRP action.

2015 Clean Up Projects Completed:

- Forbes site(PT119)
- PARR site(PT-54)
- Daugherty site(PT180)

For more information on EPA Brownfields program: <http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/index.html>