



# FMC Pocatello Operable Unit

## More Public Comment Opportunities

EPA continues to seek your comments on proposed changes to the former record of decision for the FMC Operable Unit of the Eastern Michaud Flats Superfund Site. These changes are described in EPA's **Proposed Plan for an Interim Amendment to the Record of Decision**. In response to requests from the public, EPA has extended the comment period to December 2, 2011. EPA will also hold additional question and answer sessions which will include the opportunity for recorded oral comments.

The FMC Operable Unit includes a former phosphate ore processing plant, which began operating in 1949, and some surrounding properties owned by the FMC Corporation. The Eastern Michaud Flats Superfund Site, located 3 miles northwest of Pocatello, Idaho, contains the FMC Operable Unit. Most of the unit is also located within the borders of the Fort Hall Reservation.

The FMC Operable Unit currently has uncontained contaminants in the soil and groundwater that can negatively impact people's health and the environment. The soil contaminants include elemental phosphorus, toxic metals and radionuclides. The groundwater contaminants of concern are arsenic and orthophosphate. EPA is proposing to deal with these risks through a combination of capping, groundwater extraction and treatment, stormwater management, long-term monitoring, maintenance, and land use restrictions.

Comment	Questions? Contact:
<b>September 26 to December 2, 2011</b>  <b>Send comments to:</b> Chris Bellovary U.S. EPA Region 10 Mailstop: ECL-111 1200 6 <sup>th</sup> Ave, Ste 900 Seattle, WA 98101 <a href="mailto:bellovary.chris@epa.gov">bellovary.chris@epa.gov</a>	Chris Bellovary, Project Manager (206) 553-2723 <a href="mailto:bellovary.chris@epa.gov">bellovary.chris@epa.gov</a>  Dan Phalen, Community Involvement Coordinator (206) 553-8578 <a href="mailto:phalen.dan@epa.gov">phalen.dan@epa.gov</a>

Read about the changes in the Proposed Plan at <http://go.usa.gov/iTC> and these locations:

Idaho State University Library  
Government Documents, 850 S. 9<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Pocatello, ID  
Please call for hours: (208) 282-2958

American Falls Library  
308 Roosevelt St.  
American Falls, ID  
Please call for hours: (208) 226-2335

Shoshone-Bannock Library, Tribal Business Center  
Pima Drive and Bannock Avenue,  
Fort Hall, ID  
Please call for hours: (208) 478-3908

U.S. EPA Region 10 Records Center  
1200 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Ste. 900  
Seattle, WA  
Please call for appointment: (206) 553-4494

### Question & Answer/Recorded Oral Comment Sessions

**Date:** Tuesday, November 15, 2011  
**Time:** 4:00pm – 7:00pm  
**Place:** Chubbuck City Council Chambers

**Date:** Wednesday, November 16, 2011  
**Time:** 11:30am – 2:00pm and 4:00pm – 7:00pm  
**Place:** Fort Hall Business Center - Dome Room