

FACTS ABOUT: DAVIDSONVILLE NIKE CONTROL (MD-206)

Site Location

The Davidsonville Control site is located in Anne Arundel County at 3789 Queen Anne Bridge Road, Davidsonville, Maryland. The approximate 15.94-acre property is located at the intersection of Queen Anne Bridge Road and Wayson Road.

Site History

The Department of Defense acquired the property in 1954 for the operation of a Nike missile battery (W-25). The Nike battery operated Ajax and later Hercules missiles until the battery was deactivated in the late 1960s. The missiles were stored at the launch site located about ¹/₂ mile east of the site. In 1976 the property was transferred to Anne Arundel County for recreational use. The Davidsonville Recreation Center currently operates on the property.

Environmental Investigations And Actions

In 1985, the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Waste Management Administration conducted a Preliminary Assessment of the site. In 1987, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) conducted a Preliminary Assessment of the site. Sampling and analysis of the on-site well and area residential wells for volatile organic compounds (VOCs) was included in the Preliminary Assessment. No contamination was detected in the on-site well; two parts per billion of chlorobenzene was detected in a neighboring well, but was not detected again in a second sampling.

Based on this information, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) gave the site No Further Remedial Action Planned (NFRAP) status in 1992. As part of an initiative to re-evaluate NFA sites, MDE conducted a Site Survey Initiative (SSI) in 1999. This SSI confirmed the previous conclusion that the site should be considered NFA under the Pre-Remedial Program.

Current Status

Because the site has received an NFA recommendation, MDE has no involvement with the site.



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