



Maryland Department of the
Environment

FACTS ABOUT: SHELLFISH SEAFOODS

Site Location

The 4.5-acre, relatively flat former Shellfish Seafoods site is located at 30660 Hampden Avenue in Princess Anne, Somerset County, Maryland. The site is situated in a mixed commercial and residential section within the town limits. The center of the site is located at 38° 12' 00" N latitude and 75° 41' 18" W longitude.

Site History

Shellfish Seafoods began using the site in 1988 as a seafood processing facility. Prior to 1988, the property was owned by Mountaire of Delaware, Inc., who used the site as a chicken hatchery. At some time prior to Mountaire owning the site, the site was the location of a part of a railroad yard.

Environmental Investigations

In May 2004 the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) conducted a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) on the property. Soil samples analyzed contained levels of arsenic and mercury that exceeded MDE residential clean up standards. Manganese was identified in groundwater samples at levels exceeding the MDE groundwater clean up standard. Based on these findings the report recommended that groundwater use be restricted and that the surface soil either be removed or capped by a clean layer of fill.

Current Status

The property has been cleared of all buildings and is currently vacant.



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