

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT  
LAND AND MATERIALS ADMINISTRATION – OIL CONTROL PROGRAM**

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**Report of Observations**

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| <b>Date</b>                              | May 4, 2026  | <b>Facility ID</b>    | 7874                          |
| <b>Type of Inspection / Observations</b> | Joint MDE/EPA Piscataway Creek Site Visit                | <b>Case #</b>         | 2026-0420-PG                  |
| <b>Site / Facility Name</b>              | Joint Base Andrews – West Side Fuel Hydrant Loop Release | <b>Permit #</b>       | 2022-OPT-5217<br>24OGR-1768   |
| <b>Address</b>                           | 3466 North Carolina Avenue,<br>Andrews AFB               | <b>MDEnviroScreen</b> | 31.1                          |
| <b>Point of Contact (POC)</b>            | Josh Miller, Jeffrey S. Wenck                            | <b>POC Phone</b>      | 202-409-8231,<br>443-955-2570 |
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**Remarks:** On May 4, 2026, Maryland’s Department of the Environment (MDE) Oil Control Program (OCP) Remediation Division case manager Chris King met with Jeff Wenck of the Joint Base Andrews (JBA) team and Kevin Heym, On Scene Coordinator for Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 3, to view Piscataway Creek to the south of the base perimeter fencing. OCP and EPA personnel did not observe containment on base during this site visit.


MDE and EPA personnel were escorted by Mr. Wenck to Piscataway Creek to the south of the base perimeter fencing. Mr. Wenck noted that weekly surface water sampling was being completed on this date. Upon arrival at the creek, three locations were observed by EPA and MDE personnel, including near the perimeter fence and Sample 3 location. Absorbent booms near the perimeter fence exhibited evidence of iron oxidizing bacteria. Based on the evidence of iron oxidizing bacteria, MDE personnel noted that the absorbent materials should be replaced. Petroleum absorption was not observed. Neither petroleum sheen nor petroleum odors were noted along Piscataway Creek to the south of the perimeter fencing during the site visit.

Photographs Taken: Yes  No

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NOTES

- Report the following conditions to the Department immediately, but not later than 2 hours after the detection, at **410-537-3442** during normal business hours, or to the Emergency Response Division hotline at **1-866-633-4686**:
  - Evidence of a spill, release, or discharge of oil;
  - A release detection method, monitoring results, or investigation of an alarm indicates that a spill, release, or discharge may have occurred;
  - Investigation of an inventory variation reveals a leak;
  - If a storage tank system fails a test for tightness,;
  - Two consecutive inconclusive precision tightness test results;
  - A storage system (aboveground or underground) is determined to be leaking;
  - Test failure of spill catchment basins, containment sumps, or test of a cathodic protection resulting determination the system is inadequate;
  - Presence of liquid phase hydrocarbons; absorbed or free product in soil; vapors in soil, basement, sewer or utility line; or waters of the State;
  - Unusual operating conditions exist, such as erratic behavior of product dispensing equipment, the sudden loss of a regulated substance from a storage tank system, unexplained presence of water in a storage tank, or liquid in the interstitial space of a secondary containment system.
  
- Reports should **not** be made via voice messages to OCP case managers.
  
- Operating without a permit or in violation of a permit, regulation, or law may result in the assessment of civil or administrative penalties and or other legal sanctions.

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| <b>Signature:</b><br>            | <b>Signature:</b>   |
| <b>Date:</b> May 5, 2026  | <b>Date:</b>  |