

TEXTRON ROCHESTER UPDATE

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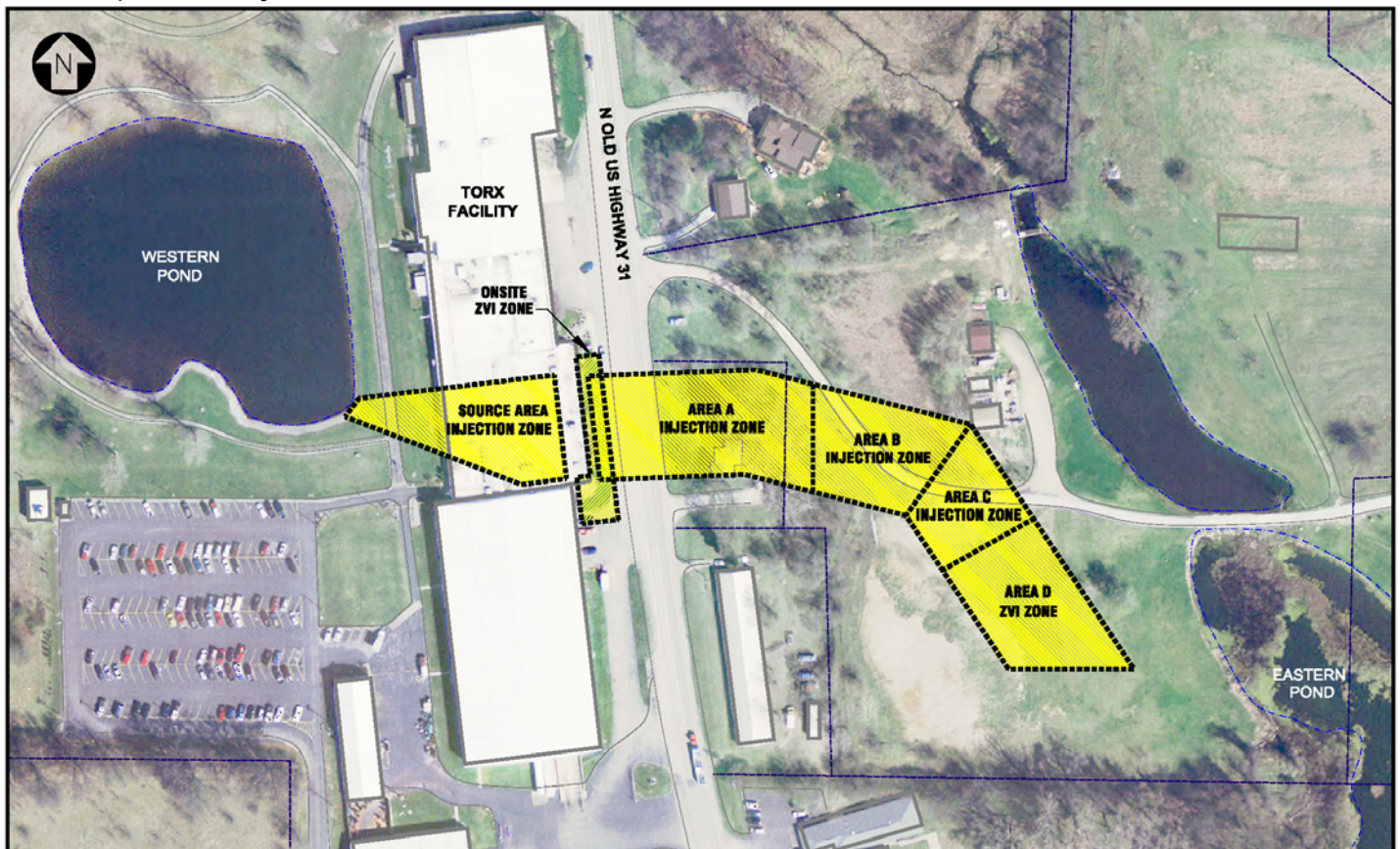
Textron Submits Plan for Groundwater Remediation

Textron is committed to the remediation of groundwater impacts in the vicinity of its former plant. Earlier this month, Textron submitted its plan for remediation to the Department of Environmental Management. The plan, called a Remediation Feasibility Study, looked at various options for cleanup of contaminated groundwater. To determine the most appropriate treatment technology, it compared these options through criteria utilized by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management. These criteria focus on the reduction of contaminant concentrations and technical feasibility.

Five potential remedial alternatives were evaluated in the Remediation Feasibility Study. Section 7 in the Remediation Feasibility Study, which is available for your review on the torxremediationproject.com web-site, presents the detailed analysis of each remedial alternative. A bio-remediation alternative was selected to address the clean-up of the groundwater at the Torx site. The proposed remedy was selected primarily because it should result in the quickest reduction of contamination levels. It will first be pilot tested at discrete areas within the planned remediation area to confirm its effectiveness and to make any necessary adjustments prior to full scale implementation.

The remedy proposed by Textron would involve a series of injections into groundwater of a mixture of a food grade compound (ethyl lactate) at numerous points where the contaminant concentrations are highest, which is at the Torx facility and at Textron-owned property on the east side of Old US Highway 31. Ethyl lactate is a compound made from lactic acid and ethyl alcohol and serves as a food source that stimulates naturally occurring microorganisms to degrade chemicals in groundwater. The plan would also include a series of injections of a compound called zero valent iron (ZVI) into groundwater at locations at the plant site and Textron owned property. The ZVI approach involves the injection of an iron slurry, that through chemical reaction, promotes the complete breakdown of chlorinated solvents in groundwater.

The injection compounds to be utilized are all safe for the environment and are commonly and successfully used at remediation projects across the country. The plan (below) shows the general area of injection zones, which will not require us to access any individual property owners' properties, so it will not be intrusive. Following each injection event, the groundwater would be sampled to determine progress, evaluate groundwater conditions, and make any necessary adjustments to the remediation program. The remediation project would be accomplished over a several year period, with the first injection events anticipated in early 2012.



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APPROXIMATE SCALE IN FEET

GENERAL AREA OF INJECTION ZONES

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Update on Water Line Project

Textron is committed to providing residents a safe and reliable water supply in the area of the Torx plant and we continue to work to accomplish that goal. Textron intends to implement this objective through the extension of the existing City of Rochester water line, the purchase of City water and the establishment of a Conservancy District. All costs would be paid by Textron and there would be no costs to property owners within the District.

The Fulton County Commissioners have appointed the following three individuals to serve as the initial Board of Directors of the Conservancy District, which was established this summer: *Joe Hunting* of 1387 E 350 N; *Doug Garvison* of 682 E 425 N; and *Jamie Schiff* of Textron, the owner of the property at 4375-4377 N Old US Highway 31.

Textron is currently preparing the District plan for the construction and operation and maintenance of the water line. Once the plan is finalized, it will be submitted to the Conservancy District Board for review this fall at a public meeting open to all property owners. Once approved by the Board, it will be forwarded to the Indiana Natural Resources Commission and then the Fulton County Circuit Court for final approval. We will provide you advance notice of any public meetings. Following all required regulatory approvals, Textron would commence construction.

For additional information regarding the investigation, please visit our website at:

www.torxremediationproject.com

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