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BUFFALO DISTRICT
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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

Special Projects Branch

SUBJECT: Public Review and Comment Period for the Painesville Site Proposed Plan

Dear Concerned Citizen:

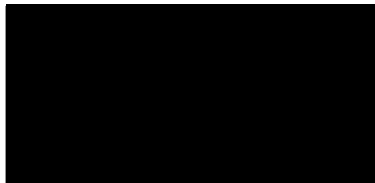
I am pleased to inform you that the Proposed Plan for Remediation of the Painesville Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP) Site, located in Lake County, Ohio, is complete.

Investigations of the Painesville Site have found the soil to be contaminated with uranium, radium and thorium, resulting from activities of the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) in the early years of the United States' atomic energy and weapons program. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) recently completed a Feasibility Study for the site, which developed and evaluated alternatives to address the contamination. The Proposed Plan identifies the preferred alternative for cleanup of the site, which is Excavation and Off-site Disposal for radiologically contaminated soils associated with past Federal government activities. However, the final remedy will not be selected until USACE has received and considered all public and regulatory agency comments obtained during a minimum 30-day comment period.

The Proposed Plan will be placed in the Administrative Record for the Painesville Site located at the Fairport Public Library in Fairport, Ohio, the Morley Public Library in Painesville, Ohio and at the Buffalo District Library, 1776 Niagara Street, Buffalo, New York. The comment period begins July 18, 2005 and ends August 22, 2005.

Thank you for your continued interest in this matter. If you have any questions regarding the Painesville Site, please call our Public Affairs Office at (716) 879-4410, or toll free at (800) 833-6390.

Sincerely,



Painesville Project Manager