

# Kerr-McGee Chemical Corp – Navassa Superfund Site

## Operable Unit 2 Fact Sheet

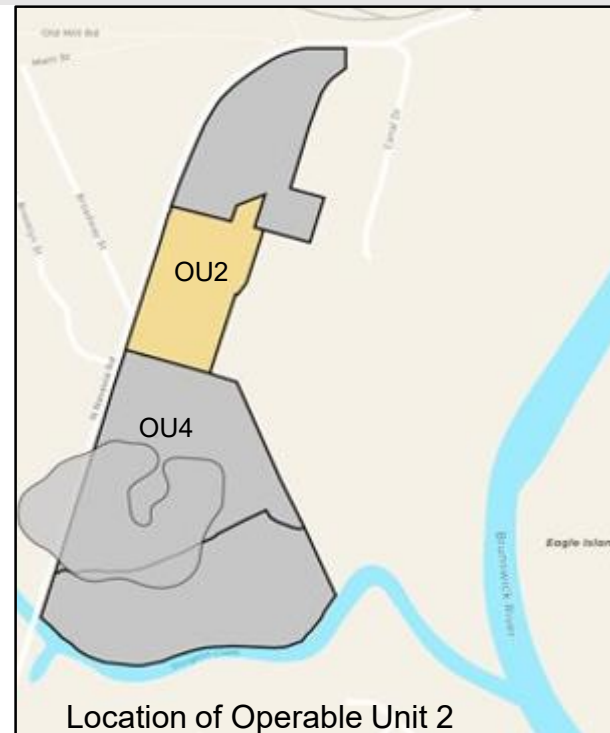
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The Multistate Environmental Response Trust (Multistate Trust) is working to remove surface soil contamination from Operable Unit 2 (OU2) of the Kerr-McGee Chemical Corp – Navassa Superfund Site (the Site).

### Background

From 1936 to 1974, Kerr-McGee and its predecessors used creosote to treat wood for railroad ties, utility poles, and pilings. Treated and untreated wood was stored on the Site, including on the ±16-acre area that is now OU2.

From 2006 to 2022, ±465 samples were collected in OU2 to understand potential risks to people and the environment. The Multistate Trust completed the Feasibility Study in April 2022. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a Proposed Plan in May 2022 and signed the Record of Decision selecting the remedy in September 2022.



### Upcoming OU2 Work

The Multistate Trust will excavate surface soils in OU2 with contamination higher than residential or ecological cleanup levels. Excavated soils will be placed on Operable Unit 4 (OU4) in two temporary stockpiles that will *not* be visible from Navassa Road. The excavated soils will be covered, managed, and regularly inspected. Soils are expected to be reused or consolidated into the future cleanup of OU4. Material that cannot be stored on-site will be recycled or disposed off-site in accordance with state and federal environmental laws.

### Local Contracting

The Multistate Trust seeks to invest cleanup funds in the local economy by offering training and employment opportunities for local individuals and businesses. In line with this goal, following a robust search and bid process, two local firms were selected and approved to complete the OU2 work. Both firms are committed to supporting the local economy through hiring and training opportunities, and by offering potential long-term employment beyond the OU2 work.

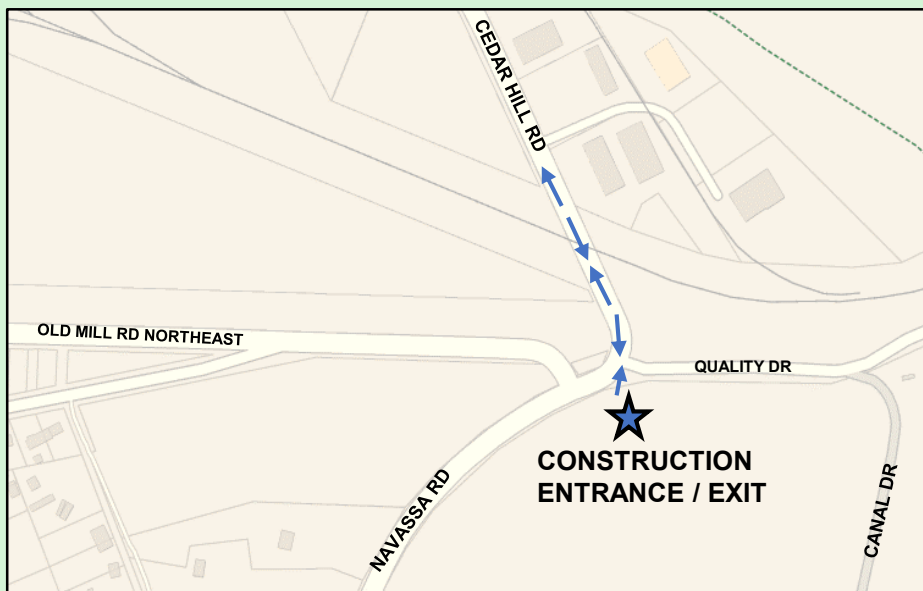
## What to Expect

The work is expected to begin in February 2024 and last approximately 3–4 months. Construction vehicles containing materials for off-site disposal and heavy equipment will exit the Site at Quality Drive near OU1 and will continue onto Cedar Hill Road toward the designated facility.

Measures including air monitoring and traffic control will be taken to protect the health and safety of residents and workers and to minimize disturbance to communities.

After the work is complete, OU2 will be suitable for any future land use, with no long-term monitoring required. EPA will propose deleting OU2 from the National Priorities List.

The Multistate Trust will continue to provide updates at future community meetings.



Truck traffic routes from construction entrance/exit

## The Multistate Trust

The OU2 work is being performed by the Multistate Trust, under the oversight of the EPA and in consultation with the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ). The Multistate Trust is a private, independent trust created as part of the Tronox bankruptcy settlement in 2011 to own, manage, remediate, and facilitate safe, beneficial reuse of the Site in Navassa. The Trustee of the Multistate Trust is Greenfield Environmental Multistate Trust LLC.

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