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Route 62

Former W.R. Grace Site

Valley Sports Center



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SUPERFUND HISTORY OF W. R. GRACE PROPERTY

- 1978: VOC's Detected in Acton Water Supply Wells
- 1980: W. R. Grace and USEPA Enter into Consent Decree to Clean Up Site
- 1983: W. R. Grace Site Added to NPL
- 1985: Aquifer Restoration System Installed
- 1989: EPA Issues Record of Decision for Source Areas Including Former Lagoons, Industrial Landfill & Debris Areas.
- 2005: USEPA Issues Second Record of Decision for Site Groundwater.
- 2010: Groundwater Remedial Systems Designed, Constructed and Operational.



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In August of 2015, the Town of Concord took the former Grace site by eminent domain.

W. R. Grace & Co. has continuing obligations under orders from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to continue groundwater monitoring activities at the site. The proposed access agreement will allow the company to continue accessing existing monitoring wells.







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