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Lower Kuskokwim School District
Attn: Dan Walker, Superintendent
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Bethel, Alaska 99559-0305

Re: Institutional Controls verification for Toksook Bay School

The Contaminated Sites Program conducts periodic verification of closed sites where institutional controls (land use restrictions) are required under 18 AAC 75.375. We have identified Toksook Bay School as a site with institutional controls.

In order to prevent people from being exposed to any remaining contamination on the property, this letter is being sent as a reminder of the conditions placed on the property as part of the 2006 Conditional Closure Approved letter granted by the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC). At the time of closure, soil and groundwater contamination was documented as remaining on the property.

The 2006 determination is subject to the following site-specific conditions and/or controls:

1. In accordance with 18 AAC 75.350, ADEC has determined the groundwater at this site is not a drinking water source based on contamination and naturally occurring conditions. Therefore, the installation of groundwater wells is prohibited. Any exception to this prohibition must be reviewed and approved by ADEC.
2. The soil contamination located under the elementary school maintenance building is currently inaccessible due to the buildings and structures located there. When (or if) the buildings are removed and/or the soil becomes accessible, ADEC shall be contacted for appropriate action. ADEC must approve any excavation, transport, remediation and/or disposal of soil from the school site.
3. Any proposal to transport soil or groundwater off-site requires ADEC approval in accordance with 18 AAC 75.325. A "site" [as defined by 18 AAC 75.990 (115)] means an area that is contaminated, including areas contaminated by the migration of hazardous substances from a source area, regardless of property ownership.
4. Movement or use of contaminated material in a manner that results in a violation of 18 AAC 70 water quality standards is prohibited.

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In addition to the conditions above, you are required to notify the ADEC if there are any changes in land use or ownership. Failure to maintain these requirements may result in re-opening the site by the Contaminated Sites Program, in which case, further remediation could be mandatory.

In accordance with 18 AAC 75.380(d)(2), ADEC may require additional site assessment, monitoring, remediation, and/or necessary actions at this facility should new information become available that indicates contamination at this site may pose a threat to human health or the environment.

If you seek to have the institutional controls removed from this site, you can choose at any time to voluntarily conduct additional assessment, monitoring or further cleanup to demonstrate that contamination at the site now meets the applicable cleanup levels under 18 AAC 75.

This site information is a matter of public record and is available at ADEC's online database record at: <https://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/SPAR/PublicMVC/CSP/SiteReport/1039>.

If you have any questions regarding this site, please contact me at (907) 465-5229 or via e-mail at: evonne.reese@alaska.gov and I will be glad to assist you.

Sincerely,



Evonne Reese
Environmental Program Specialist III
Institutional Controls Unit

Encl: 2006 Conditional Closure Approved

Note: In the interest of reducing file space, the Division of SPAR/ Contaminated Sites Program is transitioning to electronic transmission of project correspondence. Please provide us with your current e-mail address (if you have one) so that we may issue future correspondence to you in an electronic format.

You may submit any needed documentation electronically. If your submittal is too large to email (i.e. exceeds 20 megabytes), you may submit it to me through the Alaska ZendTo "drop-off" option at <https://drop.state.ak.us/drop/>. The Division of SPAR/Contaminated Sites Program prefers and encourages electronic submittals.