

Arthur Gundacker Property
687 Spotswood-Englishtown Road
Monroe Township Middlesex County
BLOCK: 36 LOT: 7

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SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

This site operated as a landscaping business between 1962 and 1981 and is currently a private residence. While the site was a landscaping business, the owner allegedly disposed of drums of chemical wastes in a ravine at the rear of the property. NJDEP's Remedial Response Element conducted a preliminary investigation of the site in 1993 that included sampling the on-site ground water, collecting subsurface soil samples near the suspected disposal area and testing private potable wells in the area for contaminants. The results of the preliminary investigation indicated that the soil and ground water near the waste fill were contaminated with volatile organic compounds, but nearby private potable wells were free of any contamination that could be attributed to the Gundacker site. In 1997, NJDEP began a Remedial Investigation and Remedial Action Selection (RI/RAS) to delineate the contamination in the soil and ground water and evaluate remedial alternatives. NJDEP has completed the RI phase and plans to issue a Proposed Plan outlining its preferred remedial action for the soil in 2003. Remedial alternatives to address the ground water are being reviewed. A fence has been installed across the entrance to the property to restrict access while the investigative and cleanup work is underway.