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Biden-Harris Administration Announces Additional \$1B in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Funds to Start New Cleanup Projects and Expedite On-going Cleanup Work Across the Country

EPA announces start of new cleanup projects at 22 Superfund sites, along with 100 other ongoing cleanups, thanks to President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

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WASHINGTON (February 10, 2023) - Today, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced the second wave of approximately \$1 billion in funding from President Biden's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to start new cleanup projects at 22 Superfund sites and expedite over 100 other ongoing cleanups across the country.

Thousands of contaminated sites exist nationally due to hazardous waste being dumped, left out in the

open, or otherwise improperly managed, including in manufacturing facilities, processing plants, landfills, and mining sites. Superfund cleanups help transform contaminated properties and create jobs in overburdened communities, while repurposing these sites for a wide range of uses, including public parks, retail businesses, office space, residences, warehouses, and solar power generation. In addition, these sites can support natural areas, parks, and recreation facilities, providing greenspace and safe places for families to play outside.

“Thanks to President Biden’s historic investments in America, we are moving faster than ever before to progress clean up at contaminated sites – from manufacturing facilities to landfills – in communities across the country,” said EPA Administrator Michael S. Regan “But our work is not yet finished – we’re continuing to build on this momentum to ensure that communities living near many of the most serious uncontrolled or abandoned releases of contamination finally get the investments and protections they deserve.”

The \$1 billion investment announced today is the second wave of funding from the \$3.5 billion allocated for Superfund cleanup work in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. With the [first wave](#) of funding announced in December 2021, EPA deployed more than \$1 billion for cleanup activities at more than 100 Superfund National Priorities List sites across the country. Thanks to this historic funding, EPA started 81 new cleanup projects in 2022, including projects at 44 sites previously on the backlog. By starting four times as many construction projects as the year before, EPA is aggressively bringing more sites across the country closer to finishing cleanup. For example, in Evansville, Indiana, EPA continued to reduce exposures to lead and arsenic in soil in the neighborhoods of the Jacobsville Neighborhood Contamination site by starting the next phase of cleaning up contaminated residential soils.

In addition to funding cleanup construction work, this investment is enabling EPA to increase funding for and accelerate essential work needed to prepare sites for construction and ensure that communities are meaningfully involved in the cleanup process. In 2022, EPA more than doubled its spending for Superfund pre-construction activities like remedial investigations, feasibility studies, remedial designs, and community involvement.

EPA is committed to carrying out this work in line with President Biden’s Justice40 Initiative by advancing environmental justice and incorporating equity considerations into all aspects of the Superfund cleanup process. This will help ensure that historic and ongoing impacts of contamination on overburdened communities are fully considered and addressed. Out of the 22 sites to receive funding for new cleanup projects, 60% are in communities with the potential for environmental justice concerns based on data from [EJSCREEN](#), an environmental justice mapping and screening tool that provides EPA with a nationally consistent dataset and approach for combining environmental and demographic socioeconomic indicators.

The funding announced today includes [new cleanup projects](#) at the following 22 Superfund sites:

State	Site Name	State	Site Name
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FL	SOUTHERN SOLVENTS, INC.	NC	CRISTEX DRUM
GA	WESTSIDE LEAD	NJ	CORNELL DUBILIER ELECTRONICS INC.
IL	OTTAWA RADIATION AREAS	NJ	MANSFIELD TRAIL DUMP
IN	KEYSTONE CORRIDOR GROUND WATER CONTAMINATION	NJ	MATTEO & SONS INC.
KS	57TH AND NORTH BROADWAY STREETS SITE	NV	CARSON RIVER MERCURY SITE
KS	CANEY RESIDENTIAL YARDS	NY	GENERAL MOTORS (CENTRAL FOUNDRY DIVISION)
KS	PLATING INC.	PA	JACKSON CERAMIX, INC
MA	CREESE & COOK TANNERY (FORMER)	PA	RYELAND ROAD ARSENIC SITE
MA	NYANZA CHEMICAL WASTE DUMP	PR	DORADO GROUND WATER CONTAMINATION
MA	WALTON & LONSBURY INC.	VA	HIDDEN LANE LANDFILL
MO	VALLEY PARK TCE	VT	PIKE HILL COPPER MINE

Background:

In 1980, Congress passed the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, known as Superfund. The law gave EPA the authority and funds to hold polluters accountable for cleaning up the most contaminated sites across the country. When no viable responsible party is found or cannot afford the cleanup, EPA steps in to address risks to human health and the environment using funds appropriated by Congress, like the funding provided by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

For more information on each site, please visit: <https://www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-sites-new-construction-projects-receive-bipartisan-infrastructure-law-funding>

To see highlights from the first year of Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding at Superfund sites, please visit: <https://www.epa.gov/infrastructure/cleaning-superfund-sites-highlights-bipartisan-infrastructure-law-funding>

For more information about EPA's Superfund program, please visit: <https://www.epa.gov/superfund>

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