

## **GM-Flint Buick City**

Southend Summary and Northend Introduction

**Presented by EPA Region 5** 

## **Site Location**



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## **Review of Southend**

## Soil Remedy

- Keep the current building slabs and asphalt intact to serve as a cover for the underlying contamination in six different areas around the facility.
- Institutional control to limit excavation in those discrete areas with soil contamination without proper protective clothing.
- Excavate area with soil contamination that is on the CSX property.
  - Future continued access for maintenance of an engineering control (ex. an asphalt cover) would be problematic.
  - Putting additional controls on a different property would also be problematic.

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## Areas of Soil Contamination (Southend)



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## **Groundwater Remedy**

- Contaminants include: metals and volatile organic compounds (VOCs).
- Contaminated groundwater plumes have been stable for years and therefore the remedy is for MLC to monitor the groundwater for years to ensure no migration to the Flint River.
- The groundwater monitoring program and contingency plan will be developed in the Corrective Measures Implementation (CMI) Workplan and will be approved by the EPA.

### Areas with Groundwater Contamination



## **LNAPL Remedy**

### Change from the Statement of Basis

Requiring testing of different technologies.

The default remedy will be multi-phase extraction.

## Light Non-Aqueous Phase Liquids (LNAPL)



### **Areas of LNAPL Contamination**



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## What's Next for the Southend?

- EPA will receive a CMI workplan from MLC detailing how the remedies will be implemented (anticipated by the end of the summer).
- After EPA's review and approval, construction and testing for the LNAPL remedies will begin.

## Northend Nature and Extent of Contamination

## **Environmental Setting**



## Contaminants

- Metals (arsenic, lead, chromium, etc.)
- Polyaromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)
- Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs)
- Light Non-Aqueous Phase Liquids (LNAPL) (gasoline, hydraulic oils, diesel fuel)

Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)

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## **LNAPL** Contamination



### **Groundwater Contamination**



## Challenges

- Hydraulic oils (type of LNAPL) mixed with PCBs
  - Toxics Substances Control Act (TSCA) disposal
  - Hydraulic oils are more viscous
- Buildings are still standing
- Operations are currently active
  - (planned to cease by the end of 2010)

## **Next Steps for the Northend**

- MLC will submit to EPA a revised Corrective Measures Proposal for the Northend (by end of July)
- After EPA review, we will put out the CMP for public input (sometime in the Fall)
- EPA will issue a Statement of Basis (by the end of 2010)
- EPA will hold a public hearing on the SB and solicit comments (February/March 2011)
- EPA will issue a Final Decision (May 2011)

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## Questions, Comments?

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