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**APPENDIX A**  
**Table A-1. Human Exposure Pathways**

<b>Exposure medium</b>	<b>Route of exposure</b>	<b>Type of fate and transport</b>	<b>Pathway<sup>a</sup></b>
Groundwater	Ingestion	Groundwater	<b>1</b> WMU → groundwater → humans <i>Ingestion of contaminated groundwater as a drinking water source.</i>
Air	Inhalation	Direct air	<b>2a (on site or off site)</b> WMU → air → humans <i>Inhalation of volatiles</i>
Air	Inhalation	Direct air	<b>2b (on site or off site)</b> WMU → air → humans <i>Inhalation of suspended particulates</i>
Soil	Ingestion	Direct soil	<b>3 (on site)</b> WMU → humans <i>Ingestion of contaminated soil</i>
Soil	Ingestion	Overland	<b>3 (off site)</b> WMU → overland → humans <i>Ingestion of contaminated soil</i>
Soil	Ingestion	Air deposition	<b>4</b> WMU → air → deposition to soil → humans <i>Ingestion of contaminated soil</i>
Soil	Dermal	Direct soil	<b>5 (on site)</b> WMU → humans <i>Dermal contact with contaminated soil</i>
Soil	Dermal	Overland	<b>5 (off site)</b> WMU → overland → humans <i>Dermal contact with contaminated soil</i>
Soil	Dermal	Air deposition	<b>6</b> WMU → air → deposition to surface soil → humans <i>Dermal contact with contaminated soil</i>
Plant (veg/root)	Ingestion	Air deposition	<b>8</b> WMU → air → deposition to soil/garden crops → garden crops → humans <i>Consumption of contaminated crops grown in home gardens</i>
Plant (veg)	Ingestion	Air diffusion	<b>8a</b> WMU → air → garden crops → humans <i>Consumption of contaminated crops grown in home gardens</i>
Plant (veg/root)	Ingestion	Direct soil	<b>9 (on site)</b> WMU → garden crops → humans <i>Consumption of contaminated crops grown in home gardens</i>
Plant (veg/root)	Ingestion	Overland	<b>9 (off site)</b> WMU → overland → garden crops → humans <i>Consumption of contaminated crops grown in home gardens</i>
Animal	Ingestion	Air deposition	<b>10</b> WMU → air → deposition to soil/feed crops → feed crops/soil →

**Table A-1. Human Exposure Pathways (continued)**

<b>Exposure medium</b>	<b>Route of exposure</b>	<b>Type of fate and transport</b>	<b>Pathway<sup>a</sup></b>
(beef/milk)			cattle → humans <i>Consumption of animal products with elevated levels of toxicant caused by eating contaminated feed crops and soil</i>
Animal (beef/milk)	Ingestion	Air diffusion	<b>10a</b> WMU → air → feed crops → cattle → humans <i>Consumption of animal products with elevated levels of toxicant caused by eating contaminated feed crops</i>
Animal (beef/milk)	Ingestion	Direct soil	<b>11 (on site)</b> WMU → feed crops → cattle → humans <i>Consumption of animal products with elevated levels of toxicant caused by eating contaminated feed crops and soil</i>
Animal (beef/milk)	Ingestion	Overland	<b>11 (off site)</b> WMU → overland → feed crops/soil → cattle → humans <i>Consumption of animal products with elevated levels of toxicant caused by eating contaminated feed crops and soil</i>
Groundwater	Dermal (bathing)	Groundwater	<b>14</b> WMU → groundwater → humans <i>Dermal bathing contact with contaminated groundwater</i>
Surface water	Ingestion	Air diffusion	<b>17</b> WMU → air → surface water → humans <i>Ingestion of contaminated surface water as a drinking water source</i>
Surface water	Ingestion	Overland	<b>19</b> WMU → overland flow → surface water → humans <i>Ingestion of contaminated surface water as a drinking water source</i>
Surface water	Ingestion	Air deposition	<b>20</b> WMU → air → deposition to soil → overland flow → surface water → humans <i>Ingestion of contaminated surface water as a drinking water source</i>
Fish	Ingestion	Air diffusion	<b>21</b> WMU → air → surface water → fish → humans <i>Consumption of fish contaminated by toxicants in surface water</i>
Fish	Ingestion	Overland	<b>23</b> WMU → overland flow → surface water → fish → humans <i>Consumption of fish contaminated by toxicants in surface water</i>
Fish	Ingestion	Air deposition	<b>24</b> WMU → air → deposition to surface soil → overland flow → surface water → fish → humans <i>Consumption of fish contaminated by toxicants in surface water</i>
Animal (beef/milk)	Ingestion	Air diffusion	<b>33</b> WMU → air → surface water → cattle → humans <i>Consumption of animal products with elevated levels of toxicant caused by drinking contaminated surface water</i>

**Table A-1. Human Exposure Pathways (continued)**

<b>Exposure medium</b>	<b>Route of exposure</b>	<b>Type of fate and transport</b>	<b>Pathway<sup>a</sup></b>
Animal (beef/milk)	Ingestion	Overland	<b>35</b> WMU → overland flow → surface water → cattle → humans <i>Consumption of animal products with elevated levels of toxicant caused by drinking contaminated surface water</i>
Animal (beef/milk)	Ingestion	Air deposition	<b>36</b> WMU → air → deposition to soil → overland flow → surface water → cattle → humans <i>Consumption of animal products with elevated levels of toxicant caused by drinking contaminated surface water</i>
Surface water	Dermal (bathing)	Air diffusion	<b>37</b> WMU → air → surface water → humans <i>Dermal bathing contact with contaminated surface water</i>
Surface water	Dermal (bathing)	Air deposition	<b>38</b> WMU → air → deposition to soil → overland flow → surface water → humans <i>Dermal bathing contact with contaminated surface water</i>
Surface water	Dermal (bathing)	Overland	<b>42</b> WMU → overland flow → surface water → humans <i>Dermal bathing contact with contaminated surface water</i>

Overland = Soil erosion.

Overland flow = Both runoff and soil erosion; or, for surface impoundments, a spill directly to surface water.

Veg = Aboveground fruits and vegetables.

Root = Belowground (or root) vegetables.

<sup>a</sup>Some pathway numbers are missing, reflecting pathways that have been eliminated from the analysis or combined with other pathways.

**Table A-2. Ecological Exposure Pathways**

	<b>Exposure medium</b>	<b>Route of exposure</b>	<b>Type of fate and transport</b>	<b>Pathway<sup>a</sup></b>
Terr I	Soil	Ingestion	Direct soil	<b>3 (on site)</b> WMU → mammals, birds, soil fauna <i>Ingestion of contaminated soil</i>
	Soil	Direct contact	Direct soil	<b>5 (on site)</b> WMU → plants, soil fauna <i>Direct contact with contaminated soil</i>
	Plant	Ingestion	Direct soil	<b>9 (on site)</b> WMU → vegetation → mammals, birds <i>Consumption of contaminated vegetation (e.g., forage grasses)</i>
	Soil fauna	Ingestion	Direct soil	<b>11a (on site)</b> WMU → soil fauna → mammals, birds <i>Consumption of soil fauna (e.g., earthworms, insects) with elevated levels of toxicant</i>
	Animals	Ingestion	Direct soil	<b>11b (on site)</b> WMU → soil fauna/vegetation → animals → predatory mammals, birds <i>Consumption of animals with elevated levels of toxicant</i>
Terr II	Soil	Ingestion	Overland	<b>3 (off site)</b> WMU → overland → mammals, birds, soil fauna <i>Ingestion of contaminated soil</i>
	Soil	Direct contact	Overland	<b>5 (off site)</b> WMU → overland → plants, soil fauna <i>Direct contact with contaminated soil</i>
	Plant	Ingestion	Overland	<b>9 (off site)</b> WMU → overland → vegetation → mammals, birds <i>Consumption of contaminated vegetation (e.g., forage grasses)</i>
	Soil fauna	Ingestion	Overland	<b>11c (off site)</b> WMU → overland → soil fauna → mammals, birds <i>Consumption of soil fauna (e.g., earthworms, insects) with elevated levels of toxicant</i>
	Animals	Ingestion	Overland	<b>11d (off site)</b> WMU → overland → soil fauna/vegetation → animals → predatory mammals, birds <i>Consumption of animals with elevated levels of toxicant</i>
Terr III	Soil	Ingestion	Air deposition	<b>4</b> WMU → air → deposition to soil → mammals, birds, soil fauna <i>Ingestion of contaminated soil</i>
	Soil	Direct contact	Air deposition	<b>6</b> WMU → air → deposition to surface soil → plants, soil fauna <i>Direct contact with contaminated soil</i>
Terr IV	Plant	Ingestion	Air deposition	<b>8</b> WMU → air → deposition to soil → vegetation → mammals, birds <i>Consumption of contaminated vegetation (e.g., forage grasses)</i>
Terr V	Plant	Ingestion	Air diffusion	<b>8a</b> WMU → air → vegetation → mammals, birds <i>Consumption of contaminated vegetation (e.g., forage grasses)</i>
Aq I	Surface water	Ingestion	Air diffusion	<b>17</b> WMU → air → surface water → mammals, birds <i>Ingestion of contaminated surface water as a drinking water</i>

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	Fish	Ingestion	Air diffusion	<b>21</b> WMU → air → surface water → fish → mammals, birds, fish <i>Consumption of fish contaminated by toxicants in surface water</i>
	Surface water	Direct contact	Air diffusion	<b>37</b> WMU → air → surface water → fish, daphnids, benthos <i>Direct contact with contaminated surface water, sediments</i>
Aq II	Surface water	Ingestion	Air deposition	<b>20</b> WMU → air → deposition to soil → overland flow → surface water → mammals, birds <i>Ingestion of contaminated surface water as a drinking water source</i>
	Fish	Ingestion	Air deposition	<b>24</b> WMU → air → deposition to surface soil → overland flow → surface water → fish → mammals, birds, fish <i>Consumption of fish contaminated by toxicants in surface water</i>
	Surface water	Direct contact	Air deposition	<b>38</b> WMU → air → deposition to soil → overland flow → surface water → fish, daphnids, benthos <i>Direct contact with contaminated surface water, sediments</i>
Aq III	Surface water	Ingestion	Overland	<b>19</b> WMU → overland flow → surface water → mammals, birds <i>Ingestion of contaminated surface water as a drinking water source</i>
	Fish	Ingestion	Overland	<b>23</b> WMU → overland flow → surface water → fish → mammals, birds, fish <i>Consumption of fish contaminated by toxicants in surface water</i>
	Surface water	Direct contact	Overland	<b>42</b> WMU → overland flow → surface water → fish, daphnids, benthos <i>Direct contact with contaminated surface water, sediments</i>

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<sup>a</sup>Some pathway numbers are missing, reflecting pathways that have been eliminated from the analysis.

**Table A-3. Summary of Human Receptors for Exposure Pathways**

Pathway	Receptor						
	Adult	Child	Subs. farmer	Home gardener	Subs. fisher	Fish consumer	Worker
1: Groundwater-ingestion	–						
2a: Direct air-inhalation of volatiles (on site)	– <sup>a</sup>						–
2a: Direct air-inhalation of volatiles (off site)	–						
2b: Direct air-inhalation of particles (on site)	– <sup>a</sup>						–
2b: Direct air-inhalation of particles (off site)	–						
3: Direct soil-soil ingestion (on site)	– <sup>a</sup>	– <sup>a</sup>					
3: Overland-soil ingestion (off site)	–	–					
4: Air deposition-soil ingestion	–	–					
5: Direct soil-dermal (soil) (on site)	– <sup>a</sup>	– <sup>a</sup>					–
5: Direct soil-dermal (soil) (off site)	–	–					
6: Air deposition-dermal (soil)	–	–					
8: Air deposition-veg/root ingestion			–	–			
8a: Air diffusion-veg/root ingestion			–	–			
9: Direct soil-veg/root ingestion (on site)			– <sup>a</sup>	– <sup>a</sup>			
9: Overland-veg/root ingestion (off site)			–	–			
10: Air deposition-beef/milk ingestion			–				
10a: Air diffusion-beef/milk ingestion			–				
11: Direct soil-beef/milk ingestion (on site)			– <sup>a</sup>				
11: Overland-beef/milk ingestion (off site)			–				
14: Groundwater-dermal (bathing)	–	–					
17: Air diffusion-drinking water ingestion	–						
19: Overland-drinking water ingestion	–						
20: Air deposition-drinking water ingestion	–						
21: Air diffusion-fish ingestion	–				–	–	
23: Overland-fish ingestion	–				–	–	
24: Air deposition-fish ingestion	–				–	–	
33: Air diffusion (SW)-beef/milk ingestion			–				
35: Overland (SW)-beef/milk ingestion			–				
36: Air deposition (OF/SW)-beef/milk ingestion			–				

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**Table A-3. Summary of Human Receptors for Exposure Pathways (continued)**

37: Air diffusion (SW)-dermal (bathing)	-	-
38: Air deposition (OF/SW)-dermal (bathing)	-	-
42: Overland (SW)-dermal (bathing)	-	-

<sup>a</sup>On-site pathways for receptors other than workers are modeled only for the land application unit after closure.



**Table A-4. Summary of Ecological Receptors by Exposure Pathways**

Pathway	Receptor						
	Mammals	Birds	Plants	Soil fauna	Fish	Daphnids	Benthos
3: Direct soil-soil ingestion (on site)	- <sup>a</sup>	- <sup>a</sup>		-			
3: Direct soil-soil ingestion (off site)	-	-		-			
4: Air deposition-soil ingestion	-	-		-			
5: Direct soil-dermal soil (on site)			-	-			
5: Direct soil-dermal soil (off site)			-	-			
6: Air deposition-dermal soil			-	-			
8: Air deposition-veg/root ingestion	-	-					
8a: Air diffusion-veg ingestion	-	-					
9: Direct soil-veg/root ingestion (on site)	-	-					
9: Overland-veg/root ingestion (off site)	-	-					
11a: Direct soil-soil fauna ingestion (on site)	-	-					
11b: Direct soil-animals ingestion (on site)	-	-					
11c: Overland-soil fauna ingestion (off site)	-	-					
11d: Overland-animals ingestion (off site)	-	-					
17: Air diffusion-drinking water ingestion	-	-					
18: Groundwater (SW)-drinking water ingestion	-	-					
19: Overland-drinking water ingestion	-	-					
20: Air deposition-drinking water ingestion	-	-					
21: Air diffusion-fish ingestion	-	-			-		
22: Groundwater (SW)-fish ingestion	-	-			-		
23: Overland-fish ingestion	-	-			-		
24: Air deposition-fish ingestion	-	-			-		
37: Air diffusion (SW)-direct contact					-	-	-
38: Air deposition (OF/SW)-direct contact					-	-	-
40: Groundwater (SW)-direct contact					-	-	-
42: Overland (SW)-direct contact					-	-	-

<sup>a</sup>On-site pathways are modeled only for the land application unit after closure.

**Table A-5. Pathways Modeled for Each Waste Management Unit**

Pathway	Waste management unit					
	Ash monofill	Land appl. unit	Wastepile	Surface impound.	Tank	Water use
1: Groundwater-ingestion		-	-	-		
2a: Direct air-inhalation volatiles		-	-	-	-	
2b: Direct air-inhalation particles	-	-	-			
3: Direct soil-soil ingestion		-	-			
4: Air deposition-soil ingestion	-	-	-			
5: Direct soil-dermal (soil)		-	-			
6: Air deposition-dermal (soil)	-	-	-			
8: Air deposition-veg/root ingestion	-	-	-			
8a: Air diffusion-veg/root ingestion		-	-	-	-	
9: Direct soil or overland-veg/root ingestion		-	-			
10: Air deposition-beef/milk ingestion	-	-	-			
10a: Air diffusion-beef/milk ingestion		-	-	-	-	
11: Direct soil or overland-beef/milk ingestion		-	-			
14: Groundwater-dermal (bathing)						-
17: Air diffusion-drinking water ingestion		-	-	-	-	
19: Overland-drinking water ingestion		-	-	-		
20: Air deposition-drinking water ingestion	-	-	-			
21: Air diffusion-fish ingestion		-	-	-	-	
23: Overland-fish ingestion		-	-	-		
24: Air deposition-fish ingestion	-	-	-			
33: Air diffusion (SW)-beef/milk ingestion		-	-	-	-	
35: Overland (SW)-beef/milk ingestion		-	-	-		
36: Air deposition (OF/SW)-beef/milk ingestion	-	-	-			
37: Air diffusion (SW)-dermal (bathing)		-	-	-	-	
38: Air deposition (OF/SW)-dermal (bathing)	-	-	-			
42: Overland (SW)-dermal (bathing)		-	-	-		

OF = Overland flow.

SW = Surface water.