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In addition, consultations may recommend additional public health actions, such as conducting health surveillance activities to evaluate exposure or trends in adverse health outcomes; conducting biological indicators of exposure studies to assess exposure; and providing health education for health care providers and community members. This concludes the health consultation process for this site, unless additional information is obtained by ATSDR which, in the Agency’s opinion, indicates a need to revise or append the conclusions previously issued.

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HEALTH CONSULTATION

AERO DYNE CORPORATION (AERO DYNE)

DISTRICT 4 LONE BUTTE MEMORIAL AREA

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Summary and Statement of Issues

The Gila River Indian Community (GRIC), Office of Occupational Safety and Health (OSH), has prepared this health consultation through a cooperative agreement with the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR). This health consultation addresses health concerns based on the results of the first three phases of the Brownfields Targeted Site Assessment (BTSA) of the abandoned Aero Dyne Corporation (Aero Dyne). The BTSA was completed by Ecology and Environment Incorporated (E. and E.) on behalf of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). The USEPA Region IX BTSA’s are performed to characterize facilities that have been targeted for redevelopment or reuse. In the past perchlorate and trichloroethylene were found in the soil at Aero Dyne site. This health consultation evaluates contamination and migration of perchlorate and TCE from past site activities, and whether the on-site drinking water well might be impacted.

Background

Site Description and History

Aero Dyne leased the property from the United State Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) from 1984 to 1989. Aero Dyne manufactured and tested solid rocket propellant and rocket motors. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has found that ammonium perchlorate, a common component of rocket fuel, contaminated groundwater in a number of locations throughout the United States, including Aero Dyne. Trichloroethylene (TCE) was also detected in the sampling. The cleaning solvent is associated with cleaning equipment at industrial sites.

The Aero Dyne site is located near the northern boundary of the GRIC in Maricopa County, Arizona. The site is in an undeveloped portion of the GRIC located east of the Lone Butte Industrial Park (LBIP) and near the southern portion of Kyrene Road in Section 3 of Township 2 South, Range 4 East of the Gila and Salt River Baseline and Meridian. A map of the site is located in Appendix B. The site is in desert terrain and is currently vacant, and the drinking water well and remnants of the former buildings’ concrete pads are still visible. An aerial view is located in Appendix B.

Site Investigation

As a result of ammonium perchlorate contamination throughout the site, the EPA tested the soil at the Aero Dyne site in May 2000 and discovered ammonium perchlorate in the soil. The waste generated at the site was disposed by open burning or via the on site septic system. Based on Aero Dyne documentation, approximately 200 pounds of waste propellant, 5 drums of other waste and contaminated materials were generated and disposed weekly on the site. In 2000 Ecology and Environmental Inc., completed three phases of investigation for perchlorate.

- Phase I: Collection of groundwater samples from a drinking water well located on the site.
- Phase II: Soil and groundwater testing was completed at the site dated September 27, 2000. (3)
Phase III: Installation and sampling of five groundwater monitoring at the site dated November 2000. An aerial photo is located in Appendix B.

Perchlorate

Soil Sampling
Perchlorate had not been detected in groundwater despite elevated concentrations being reported in the soil at the site as of August 2002. In sampling performed by the DEQ in August 2002, two areas of soil contamination were identified at the Aero Dyne site. Concentrations of perchlorate in soil were reported as high as 82,700 ppb at five feet below land surface (bfs) in the northern burn area. In September 2002, under DEQ oversight, the Environmental Response Inc. removed 600 tons of contaminated soil, which was taken to a landfill off the GRIC. The area was then filled with clean soil. According to GRIC DEQ HazWaste Specialist, even though contaminated soil was removed, soil contaminated with perchlorate remains. No sampling has been conducted since 2002.

The type of perchlorate salt that was used at this site, ammonium perchlorate, is extremely soluble in water, absorbs weakly to most soil minerals, and is very persistent over time. GRIC DEQ has indicated that the lack of detectable perchlorate concentration in the groundwater may mean the groundwater monitoring well network is inadequate for monitoring the perchlorate impact based on the direction of groundwater flow. DEQ began installing additional wells at the site to improve the monitoring well network in September 2006.

Monitoring wells sampling
There was no detection of perchlorate in any wells prior to November 2002. The first detection of perchlorate was in the November of 2002 sample results at a concentration of 5.34 µg/L (ppb) in the Aero Dyne-6 monitoring well. Perchlorate was again detected in February of 2003 at 4 µg/L in the Aero Dyne-4 monitoring well. It has been determined through laboratory analysis that the high conductivity of the groundwater may have masked the detection of perchlorate near the practical quantitation limit (PQL) (4 µg/L); however the contract laboratory has recently reduced its PQL to 2µg/L. Because of this lower PQL, perchlorate that has been intermittently detected in the Aero Dyne-4 monitoring well may be detected in other wells in the future.

Drinking water well sampling
According to the Department of Public Works, in September 2004 perchlorate was detected in the Aero Dyne drinking water well at 3.2 µg/L. The February 2005 levels detected increased in the production well to 7.5 µg/L. Both detections in the drinking water well are below the Arizona’s Health-Baseline Guidance Level (HBGL) of 14 µg/L. Quarterly monitoring well and drinking water well sampling results from November 2002 through February 2005 are listed in Table 1.
Table 1
Perchlorate Sampling Results of Aero Dyne-4 (Aero Dyne-6 Duplicate) Monitoring Water Well and Aero Dyne Drinking Water Well (2002 to 2005)

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<th>Month sampled</th>
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Duplicate - Aero Dyne-6
ND - Non Detected
µg/L - Micrograms per Liter
ppb-part per billion

Trichloroethylene

Soil Sampling
No other samplings for TCE have been taken since 2002. Even after 600 tons of contaminated soil was removed by the Environmental Response Inc., and was taken to a landfill off the GRIC, TCE still remains in the soil.

Monitoring Well Sampling
The groundwater sampling performed during the time period from August 2001 to January 2002 did not detect any contaminant of concern above their respective maximum contamination levels (MCL 5µg/L) in any well. TCE was detected in Aero Dyne-4 at concentrations of 0.63µg/L and 2.5µg/L during those sampling events, respectively.

The source of TCE detected in the Aero Dyne-4 monitoring well is likely to be the septic system located between the former Aero Dyne Process Plant and the Laboratory. TCE was detected at a
concentration of 72µg/L in a hydropunch groundwater sample collected adjacent to the septic system.(3)

The GRIC DEQ sampled the five groundwater monitoring wells at the Aero Dyne Site in May, August, and November 2002 and February, May, August, and December 2003. However, results of quarterly monitoring well tests in February 2003 indicated concentrations of the TCE in the Aero Dyne-4 monitoring well just above the standard EPA allowance in drinking water of 5 micrograms per liter (µg/L). DEQ found 5.9 µg/L. Refer to the TCE in Aero Dyne-4 monitoring well sampling results in Table 2.

Table 2
The sampling results for TCE in Aero Dyne-4 monitoring well in 2003 to 2005.

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µg/L - Micrograms per Liter
ppb - part per billion

Drinking Water Well Sampling

The existing drinking water well at the Aero Dyne Site was tested in May, August, and November 2002 and February, May, August, and December 2003.(6) No TCE was detected in the drinking water well, and it met all federal health standards. The Aero Dyne Drinking Water well will continue to be monitored quarterly as long as no TCE is detected.
Demographics

According to data received from the GRIC District Four Project Administrator, the Lone Butte Colony (which is to the northeast of Aero Dyne) consists of approximately 10 households living within one-half mile of the site. In these 10 households there are approximately 31 people, of which 17 are children where 12 are 12 years old and younger. These homes are serviced by the Aero Dyne drinking water well.

Community Health Concerns

Concerns voiced by residents and the GRIC DEQ include:

- Perchlorate and TCE contamination of Aero Dyne on-site drinking water well from contaminated soil and groundwater.
- Over consumption of the drinking well water at seasonally low levels of groundwater.
- Possible increase in the rate of pumping by existing or additional residential hookups to the drinking water well. This high rate of pumping may result in contaminants reaching the drinking water well.
- Potential perchlorate and TCE contamination of the subsequent drinking water wells that are situated at LBIP and across Interstate 10 to the west. These wells are down gradient from the existing Aero Dyne monitoring wells.

Discussion

Exposure Pathway Analysis

ATSDR’s pathways analysis determines whether people have contacted contaminants from a site and whether those contacts were substantial enough to cause harm. To determine this, ATSDR identifies exposure pathways or ways in which a chemical can enter a person’s body (i.e., ingestion, inhalation, or dermal (skin) contact. An exposure pathway contains five major elements, which are:

1. a source of contamination,
2. transport through an environmental medium,
3. a point of exposure,
4. a route of exposure, and
5. a receptor population.

If an exposure pathway contains all five elements and exists now or existed in the past, or will exist in the future, the pathway is considered complete. Only completed exposure pathways are evaluated to determine whether health effects could occur. If one or more of the five elements is not defined clearly but could exist, the exposure pathway is classified as potential.

Perchlorate

The most significant completed exposure pathway related to the site is the ingestion of contaminated drinking water via the Aero Dyne drinking water well. Perchlorate was detected in the Aero Dyne drinking water well located on site in September 2004 and February 2005. However, detections were below the Arizona Health Based Guidance Level (HBGL) of 14 ppb and are therefore not expected to cause adverse health effects (See Appendix C). GRIC
Department of Public Works (DPW) will monitor drinking water wells each month to ensure there is a safe drinking water supply. Refer to Table 1.

Perchlorate has been detected at varying levels in Aero Dyne monitoring wells since 2002, but detections were below the Arizona HBGL of 14 ppb. DEQ will continue tracking migration of the contaminants in groundwater. Currently exposures to perchlorate through the use of the Aero Dyne drinking water well are below levels of concern.

**TCE**

Historical monitoring has failed to detect TCE in the Aero Dyne drinking water well. While there is no current exposure pathway at this time, TCE has been detected in nearby monitoring wells and could migrate into the drinking water well in the future.

There is a potential future exposure pathway of TCE in groundwater through migration into the drinking water well. Refer to Table 2. TCE was detected in a monitoring well in September 2001. Results of the February 2003 monitoring well sampling indicated concentrations of the TCE in the Aero Dyne-4 monitoring well just above the EPA maximum contamination level (MCL) of 5 ppb. In September 2004 TCE was detected at 5.0 ppb in the same monitoring well.

**Metals**

Initially in 2000, the metals arsenic, barium, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, and lead were detected in groundwater monitoring wells above their respective practical quantitation levels. However, the metals were not detected in the Aero Dyne drinking water well at the time of testing in 2000. Currently metal levels are now well below established levels of concern according to Agency for Toxic Substance and Disease Registry drinking water comparison values. No further evaluation of metals will be needed in this health consultation; however, GRIC DEQ and DPW will routinely monitor the metal levels quarterly. Refer to Summary of Laboratory Analytical Results –Metals 3rd Quarter 2002 and 1st Quarter 2002 in Appendix D.

**Environmental Contamination**

The process by which ATSDR evaluates the possible health impact of contaminants is summarized in the following section.

There are two steps in the evaluation process. The first step involves screening the available data to determine the contaminants of concern (COCs) for each media. As part of the ATSDR screening process, maximum detected concentrations of contaminants are compared with Comparison Values (CVs) to determine which chemicals, if any, require additional evaluation. CVs are concentrations of chemicals in the environment, below which no adverse health effects are expected to occur. In the event that a contaminant concentration exceeds its respective CV, it does not necessarily indicate that health effects are expected to occur. Rather, it is indicated that further evaluation of the particular contaminant and the ways in which individuals might be exposed to it is necessary. It should also be noted that other contaminants may be evaluated further if concerns are received from the community regarding the presence of the particular contaminant(s).
Perchlorate and TCE Soil Contamination

Although contaminated soil was removed, soil contaminated with perchlorate and possibly TCE remain. At the time the hard rock (caliche) was reached during the removal action, it was thought that the contamination stopped at that point. After further sampling it was determined the contamination extended below the caliche. Currently, there is concern that the perchlorate and TCE may enter the drinking water well if increasing amounts of water are drawn from the well if there are additional residential hookups to the drinking water wells. This could increase the likelihood of drawing contaminants toward the well. Additionally, increased usage during seasonal low groundwater levels could potentially increase the amount of contaminants reaching the drinking water supply.

Perchlorate, ClO$_4$ in Groundwater

Perchlorate is a white, colorless powder that is found naturally in the environment in South America. Perchlorate can also be manufactured. Perchlorate is a component of solid fuel propellant for rockets and missiles and is used in the production of some fireworks. It is also used to make rubber, electronic tubes, lubrication oils, matches, fertilizers, paints, and enamels. It is also often used as a component in electroplating and aluminum refining.

Since the 1940s, perchlorate salts have been widely used as an oxidizer in solid propellants for rockets and missiles. Perchlorate was periodically exchanged and replaced with a fresh supply in U.S. missiles and rockets because of its short shelf life. At the site, environmental releases occurred due to past open burning and detonation of perchlorate-containing materials. As a result of past practices, soil and groundwater are contaminated near rocket fuel manufacturing and disposal facilities.(7)

Biologically, perchlorate interferes with iodide uptake in the thyroid gland. Iodide is an essential component of thyroid hormones; perchlorate disrupts the thyroid function by interfering with iodide uptake. In adults, the thyroid helps to regulate metabolism. In children, the thyroid plays a major role in proper development and metabolism. Impairment of the thyroid function in expectant mothers may impact the fetus and newborn and result in behavior changes, delayed development, and decreased learning capability. Changes in thyroid hormone levels may also result in thyroid tumors. The disruption of iodide uptake by perchlorate is the key event leading to changes in development or tumor formation. Perchlorate is currently not classified by the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as a carcinogen.(8) Since none of the samples exceeded the Arizona Health Based Guidelines of 14 pp for perchlorate, at this time it is not likely that the levels found will cause the mentioned health effects.

Trichloroethylene, Cl$_2$C=CHCl, in Groundwater

Trichloroethylene (TCE) is a nonflammable, colorless liquid at room temperature with a somewhat sweet odor and a sweet, burning taste. It is used mainly as a solvent to remove grease from metal parts, but it is also an ingredient in adhesives, paint removers, typewriter correction fluids, and spot removers. TCE is not thought to occur naturally in the environment. However, it has been found in underground water sources and many surface waters as a result of the manufacture, use, and disposal of the chemical. For persons exposed to TCE, the appearance of symptoms and their seriousness is dependent upon how much, how long and by what way you
were exposed. Gender, age, lifestyle and health status may also affect how a person reacts to exposure. Studies have indicated that exposure to low levels of TCE over long periods of time may lead to impaired immune system function and may increase the risk of kidney or liver damage and/or cancer. Drinking or breathing high levels of TCE may cause nervous system effects, liver and lung damage, abnormal heartbeat, coma, and possibly death. Trichloroethylene has been found in at least 852 of the 1,430 National Priorities List sites identified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The EPA maximum contaminate level (MCL) for TCE is 5 ppb. (9) The samples taken from the Aero Dyne-4 monitoring well exceeded the MCL from February 2003 to Sept 2004. No TCE was detected in drinking water well samples taken in 2002 and 2003.

**ATSDR Child Health Considerations**

In communities faced with air, water, or food contamination, the many physical differences between children and adults demand special emphasis. Children could be at greater risk than are adults from certain kinds of exposure to hazardous substances. Children play outdoors and sometimes engage in hand-to-mouth behaviors that increase their exposure potential. Children are shorter than are adults; this means they breathe dust, soil, and vapors close to the ground. A child’s lower body weight and higher intake rate results in a greater dose of hazardous substance per unit of body weight. If toxic exposure levels are high enough during critical growth stages, the developing body systems of children can sustain permanent damage. Finally, children are dependent on adults for access to housing, for access to medical care, and for risk identification. Thus adults need as much information as possible to make informed decisions regarding their children’s health.

According to the GRIC District Four Service Center, there are 10 households with a total of 31 residents living near the Aero Dyne site. Of the 31 residents, 17 are children. In addition 12 of the child population is 12 years or younger. A child’s immune system does not fully develop until about the age of 12 years old. Its unlikely children will suffer any health effects from exposure.

**Conclusions**

Even though there is a complete pathway of exposure, the low levels of perchlorate found at the Aero Dyne-drinking water well pose no apparent health hazard. The levels are below the Health Based Guidance Levels of 14 µg/L established by the State of Arizona.

Existing monitoring wells are not adequate to quantify the extent of perchlorate and TCE impact based on the direction of groundwater flow. The samples taken from the Aero Dyne-4 monitoring well exceeded the MCL for TCE from February 2003 to Sept 2004. This poses no apparent health hazard at this time, since no one drinks from the monitoring wells.

Soil contaminated with perchlorate on-site poses no apparent public health hazard.

Soil contaminated with trichloroethylene (TCE) on-site poses no apparent public health hazard.
Recommendations

- The Gila River Indian Community’s Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and/or Department of Public Works (DPW) should continue conducting monthly sampling of the Aero Dyne drinking water well for perchlorate and TCE.
- Site assessment should be conducted by the DEQ to determine the full extent of contamination.
- Develop regular communication/information exchange to keep residents informed by GRIC DEQ, OSH and/or DPW of sampling results.
- OSH should follow-up with two separate Lone Butte Industrial Park health consultations to consider impact of perchlorate, and TCE contamination, and appropriate actions to protect public health.

Public Health Action Plan

The OSH has developed a public health action plan to ensure the recommendations are implemented and are meaningful for the affected residents. The public health action plan is described in the following table.

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References


Appendices

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Appendix B: Aero Dyne Site map, Aerial Photo and Monitoring Wells

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Aero Dyne Corporation Site Location Map

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Arizona’s Health-Based Guidance Level for Perchlorate

Arizona’s health-based guidance level for drinking water is 14 micrograms per liter (µg/L) for perchlorate (ClO₄⁻) and is specifically protective of childhood exposure. Health-based guidelines are developed by the Arizona Department of Health Services and represent concentrations of contaminants in drinking water that are protective of public health during long-term exposure.¹¹

The Arizona Department of Health Services uses health-based methodologies and assumptions that are consistent with risk assessment principles recommended by the EPA to develop health-based guidelines.

The health-based guideline developed for perchlorate is specifically protective of childhood ingestion exposure. Exposure assumptions reflect childhood contact rates and body weight. The focus on children is protective of the higher daily intake rates by children and their lower body weight. The exposure duration was assumed at 350 days/year for 6 years.¹¹

The provisional reference dose (RfD) of 0.009 mg/kg-day published by the EPA in December 1998 was used to develop the health-based guideline.¹¹ The RfD is based on the assumption that a threshold exists for certain toxic effects and that threshold may not exist for other carcinogenic effects. Thus, if the critical toxic effect is prevented, then all toxic effects are prevented. The RfD is an estimate of a daily oral exposure to the human population that includes sensitive subpopulations that is unlikely to cause adverse health effects during a lifetime. The oral RfD is expressed in units of milligrams per kilogram per day. ⁵

The health-based guideline has a margin of safety. Concentrations of perchlorate in excess of 14 µg/L should not be considered a health threat. Rather, a more detailed analysis would be necessary in order to evaluate health risks from exposure to more than 14 µg/L of perchlorate in drinking water.¹¹

The Arizona Department of Health Services will re-evaluate this health based guidance level after the National Academy of Sciences completes their review of the draft USEPA perchlorate toxicity assessment.
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