

**Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
Eastland Woolen Mill Superfund Site  
Cooperative Agreement for Remedial Action V96129601  
Quarterly Report  
January 1, 2012 through March 31, 2012**

**Introduction/Background**

The Eastland Woolen Mill Superfund Site (EWM) is located in the Town of Corinna, Penobscot County, Maine, approximately 6 miles north of Newport and 25 miles northwest of Bangor, Maine. Contamination was discovered at the Site in 1983 and, subsequently, the Site was added to CERCLIS as item MED980915474. Site assessment activities, investigations and reports, were conducted to characterize the Site and extend of contamination. In 1996, the Eastland Woolen Mill ceased operation and closed.

The EWM Site was placed on the National Priorities List (NPL) on July 22, 1999. Following the NPL listing, EPA began a Non-Time Critical Removal Action (NTCRA) to address contaminant source materials and simultaneously began conducting the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS).

In September 2002, EPA signed the Record of Decision (ROD) for Operable Unit I (OU I) to address contaminant source material remaining after the NTCRA as well as the associated groundwater contamination. One of the major components of the remedial action contained in the September 2002 ROD for OU I was the "Implementation, monitoring and maintenance of institutional controls, in the form of groundwater use restrictions to prevent ingestion of groundwater and disturbance of the groundwater extraction and treatment system." EPA amended the OUI ROD in September 2006 and "implementation of institutional controls to restrict future groundwater use" was retained as one of the major components. Additionally, in August 2005, EPA and MEDEP entered into a Superfund State Contract agreement for the implementation of response activities (i.e., remedial action components specified in the 2002 ROD for OUI and subsequent 2006 ROD Amendment for OUI) at the EWM Site.

In 2010, following discussions between EPA and MEDEP, it was determined that MEDEP would take the lead in obtaining institutional controls (IC's), specifically environmental covenants, on the properties that make up the EWM Site and the surrounding properties that are within the designated groundwater institutional control zone area. It was further determined that contractual costs incurred by the MEDEP to obtain the IC's would be applied to the State of Maine's 10% cost share per the Superfund State Contract. Therefore, in September 2010, MEDEP and EPA entered into this Cooperative Agreement for Remedial Action at the Eastland Woolen Mill Superfund Site.

The CA budget and project periods began on September 15, 2010, and the specific tasks are presented in the "Site Work Plans" section table of the CA application. Additionally, through a State of Maine interagency agreement, MEDEP contacted and retained the services and support of the Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT) legal section to assist MEDEP in obtaining environmental covenants on Site properties and surrounding properties that are located within the designated Institutional Control Zone for the EWM Site.

**Activities for the January 1, 2012 through March 31, 2012:**

During the period of January 1 through March 31, the following activities were completed:

January 2012 through March 2012

In early January 2012, CES, Inc. gathered GPS data on the physical location of the recreational trail and added it to the draft survey plan. CES, Inc. reissued an electronic version of the revised survey plan to MEDEP, who in turn submitted it to Maine Department of Conservation (MDOC) for review. Also, the survey was subsequently revised to address comments provide by the Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT) and Central Maine Power (CMP). The survey plan was last revised, sealed by the surveyor and recorded at the Penobscot Registry of Deeds on March 29, 2012.

In addition to the survey plan, in February 2012, CES, Inc. prepared and submitted to MEDEP the first draft of three boundary descriptions (MDOC, MDOT and Town of Corinna parcels) for review and comment. As part of the review, MEDEP submitted each boundary description the respective property owner for their review and comment. Subsequently, CES, Inc. revised the three boundary descriptions to address review comments and the final version of the three boundary descriptions were electronically submitted to the MEDEP in March 29, 2012. Each of the three boundary descriptions will be added to the applicable environmental covenant document as an exhibit.

Draft environmental covenant (EC) documents were prepared for the Town of Corinna, MDOT, MDOC and Central Maine Power (CMP) owned properties located within the proposed institutional control zone (ICZ) and submitted to EPA and the respective property owner (and in some cases their legal representative) for review and comment. Additionally, began preparation of the EC's for the parcel owner by the Corinna Housing Corporation (CHC). Comments on the draft Town of Corinna (active area and not active area), MDOC and MDOT EC's were received and reviewed by MEDEP. Subsequently, MEDEP formulated responses for the comments, and began to prepare revised EC's for the Town of Corinna, MDOC and MDOT properties for redistribution and review. Also, MEDEP prepared and submitted to the town of Corinna and CMP for review and comment two (2) draft subordination agreements to address interests (easements, right of way, etc.) held by CMP in the property owned by the Town of Corinna.

Lastly, MEDEP reviewed MDOC's December 2003 deed for the railroad bed and an electronic pdf copy the railroad valuation plan sheet that includes the IZC area.

The above described work required numerous telephone calls and e-mails with multiple parties complete the CES, Inc. survey plan and three boundary descriptions and prepare/revise the 6 to 7 draft environmental covenants.

Summary of quarterly expenses (see itemized expense by object class attached):

EWM Site CA Expenses to Date: \$ 19,442.38

Total Budgeted Expenses:           \$ 173,550.00

Percent Expended to date:           11.20%

Please note: In March 2012, two additional invoices were approved for payment, amounting to \$2,369.15, but not processed & paid by March 31, 2012. Additionally, an invoice for \$287.83 was received after March 31, 2012 and approved for payment. These expenses, totaling \$2,656.98, are not included in the above summary of expenses.

Eastland Woolen Mill Superfund Site - Cooperative Agreement Award V96129601, Project Period 9/15/10 - 9/30/12; Award Total: \$173,550.00

Detail on above award

FY	APPROP_NO	UNIT	OBJ_GROUP	Sum: POSTING_AMOUNT	QUARTER	ACTIVITY SUB_ACTIVITY
2011	01806A024751	247	41	712.96	3	REMO 499
				712.96		

\$	173,550.00	Cooperative Agreement Award Total
\$	712.96	Amount Met 3rd Qtr SFY2011
\$	172,837.04	Balance of Cooperative Agreement Award

FY	APPROP_NO	UNIT	OBJ_GROUP	Sum: POSTING_AMOUNT	QUARTER	ACTIVITY SUB_ACTIVITY
2011	01806A024751	247	41	3,476.08	4	REMO 499

\$	172,837.04	Prior Balance of Cooperative Agreement Award
\$	3,476.08	Amount Met 4th Qtr SFY2011
\$	169,360.96	Balance of Cooperative Agreement Award

FY	APPROP_NO	UNIT	OBJ_GROUP	Sum: POSTING_AMOUNT	QUARTER	ACTIVITY SUB_ACTIVITY
2012	01806A024751	247	40	1,105.80	1	REMO 499
2012	01806A024751	247	41	3,082.74	1	REMO 499
				4,188.54		

\$	169,360.96	Prior Balance of Cooperative Agreement Award
\$	4,188.54	Amount Met 1st Qtr SFY2012
\$	165,172.42	Balance of Cooperative Agreement Award

FY	APPROP_NO	UNIT	OBJ_GROUP	Sum: POSTING_AMOUNT	QUARTER	ACTIVITY SUB_ACTIVITY
2012	01006A024710	247	40	7,115.20	2	REMO 499
2012	01006A024710	247	41	190	2	REMO 499
				7,305.20		

\$	165,172.42	Prior Balance of Cooperative Agreement Award
\$	7,305.20	Amount Met 2nd Qtr SFY2012
\$	157,867.22	Balance of Cooperative Agreement Award

FY	APPROP_NO	UNIT	OBJ_GROUP	Sum: POSTING_AMOUNT	QUARTER	ACTIVITY SUB_ACTIVITY
2012	01006A024710	247	41	301.54	3	REMO 499
2012	01006A024710	247	40	3,458.06	3	REMO 499
				3759.60		

\$	157,867.22	Prior Balance of Cooperative Agreement Award
\$	3759.60	Amount Met 3rd Qtr SFY2012
\$	154,107.62	Balance of Cooperative Agreement Award