



### Stakeholder Memo #26

In GSA's ongoing effort to inform tenants about the <u>Goodfellow Environmental Project</u>, the following provides recent updates on the Goodfellow Federal Center.

Recent drinking water sampling results

In March 2021, GSA's contracted industrial hygiene firm collected water samples at the Goodfellow Federal Center as part of GSA's continual check for water quality. They collected a total of 124 samples, including duplicate samples, from within 14 buildings at the complex. All but 4 samples resulted in levels less than the <u>action levels</u>, 15 parts per billion or micrograms per liter (µg/L) for lead and 1.3 parts per million or 1,300 µg/L for copper:



- 1. A drinking fountain in Building 104F, 1st floor, south office, break room with a lead concentration of 19  $\mu$ g/L and a copper concentration of 2,000  $\mu$ g/L.
- 2. A sink in Building 105, 2nd floor, Room 356, NE corner, left faucet with a lead concentration of 30 μg/L.
- 3. A sink in Building 105, 2nd floor, Room 223, break room, left faucet with a lead concentration of 44 µg/L.
- 4. A sink in Building 105, 1st floor, column C5 with a lead concentration of 24 μg/L.

The drinking fountain in Building 104F is in unoccupied space, and GSA took the fixture out of service. GSA is replacing the faucets on the three sinks in Building 105. GSA will return these fixtures to service after water from these new faucets shows sample results below EPA action levels.

During long periods of low or no water use, breakdowns of the building's plumbing may lead to potentially high levels of lead or other metals in the building's drinking water. GSA has implemented a water management program that includes a routine flushing of the buildings' water systems to maintain water quality.

The full sampling reports are available at <u>gsa.gov/goodfellowreadingroom</u>.

GSA continues to monitor concentrations of contaminants throughout the complex. The next round of campus-wide air and wipe sampling is scheduled in summer 2021, and drinking water sampling is scheduled for September.

#### Reminder that GSA must accept your agency's Site Specific Safety Plan for working in space under raised floors

Multiple spaces below the raised flooring in occupied tenant spaces are reported to contain varying amounts of particulate heavy metals including lead, and cadmium that could affect worker safety and health if contacted or disturbed. Therefore, all spaces below the raised flooring are considered contaminated and controlled spaces. Asbestos-containing materials (floor tile, mastic, etc.) may also be present in some of these spaces and are currently being managed in place. A Site-Specific Safety Plan accepted by GSA is required to access or work in these spaces.

Regarding wipe sampling from below raised floors, see full reports at <a href="mailto:gsa.gov/goodfellowreadingroom">gsa.gov/goodfellowreadingroom</a>, as follows:

- Under the 2018 tab, 19 reports are linked under Summary of wipe sampling from controlled space.
  - o Building 102E





- o Building 103
- o Building 103D
- Building 103E
- o Building 103F
- o Building 104
- o Building 104E
- o Building 104F
- o Building 105
- o Building 105E
- o Building 105F
- o Building 105L
- o Building 106 (quard shack)
- o Building 107
- o Building 108A
- o Building 108B
- o Building 110
- o Building 115
- Building 141C
- Under the 2021 tab, Wipe Sampling, Building 105F (taken Dec. 10, 2020).
- Under the 2021 tab and heading Building 104, <u>Building 104 Air and Wipe Sampling February 2021</u>.

## Installation of groundwater monitoring wells

Beginning in late May or early June, Burns and McDonnell, a GSA contractor, is scheduled to begin installing 19 groundwater monitoring wells. The work should last for two to three weeks.

You can expect to see a drill rig, a few support vehicles, and containers to store soil and water generated from normal drilling operations.

Before that, you may also see workers on-site to locate utility lines underground.

We are doing this work as part of the <u>Remedial Investigation Work Plan</u>, which Missouri Department of Natural Resources <u>approved in March</u>. The RIWP is one step in the <u>CERCLA process</u>, which we are following to prepare for <u>transferring ownership of the complex</u> sometime around 2024.



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