

WOODMOOR SHOPPING CENTER PROPERTY
10111-10153 Colesville Road
Silver Spring, Montgomery County, Maryland
(Voluntary Cleanup Program)

Site Description

This active, 3.25-acre property, is located in a commercial-residential area in Silver Spring. The property is bordered to the north and east by a residential neighborhood; to the southwest by a church; to the northwest by a shopping center; and to the southeast by a vacant office building. The property gently slopes towards the north-northwest and is improved with paved parking lots and a strip shopping mall.

Storm water runoff from the property discharges to storm water culverts on the property that discharge to Northwest Branch Creek, the nearest surface-water body to the site, located 0.7 mile to the northeast. Groundwater beneath the property occurs under unconfined conditions in the bedrock of the Wissahickon Schist. Municipal water and sanitary sewer service are provided to the property by Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

Site History

The property was agricultural land prior to 1949 when the shopping center was built. The shopping center was expanded in 1955 and in 1963. Currently, tenants at the property include several eating establishments, a grocery store, a dry cleaner, offices, and retail stores.

Dry cleaning operations have occurred at the site since 1949. During environmental investigations in 2001, the dry-cleaning solvent tetrachloroethylene was identified in the groundwater behind the dry cleaning facility.

On September 4, 1997, the MDE Oil Control Program oversaw the removal of six underground storage tanks from the site of a former gas station. Because of petroleum releases to the environment from these tanks, a groundwater-monitoring program was implemented and free product recovery from groundwater wells was initiated.

Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) Status

On June 13, 2002, G&C Properties Corporation submitted a Voluntary Cleanup Program application for the property seeking a No Further Requirements Determination as a responsible person. On August 13, 2002, the Department requested additional information to complete the application package. Future plans for the property will be continued use as a shopping center.

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