

Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment  
Division of Environmental Quality

Final Notice of Five-Year Review  
Popile Inc. Superfund Site

**EPA I.D. Number:** ARD008052508

**Facility Location:** El Dorado, Union County, Arkansas

**Web Address:** <https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/cursites/csitinfo.cfm?id=0603790>

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Arkansas Department of Energy & Environment, Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) have conducted the fourth five-year review (FYR) of the remedy for the Popile, Inc. Superfund Site (the Site) in El Dorado, Union County, Arkansas. The Site is an inactive 41-acre wood preserving operation that operated from 1947 to 1982. The Site is located approximately 1 mile south of El Dorado bordered by South West Avenue (also Southfield Road), the Ouachita Railroad, Bayou de Loutre, and a forested highland area. Nearby land uses are generally rural and residential/commercial, although no homes are located along the site perimeter.

The lead agency for conducting the FYR was the DEQ. This review was conducted in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA). Section 121 of CERCLA, as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), requires the selected remedial actions that result in any hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants remaining at the Site be subject to a FYR to ensure the selected remedial actions comply with applicable or relevant and appropriate environmental standards established under federal and state environmental laws.

The purpose of the FYR was to evaluate the implementation and performance of the remedy in order to determine if the remedy is protective of human health and the environment. The FYR period was from September 2016 to September 2021. Since the remedy implemented at the site has prevented exposure to site related contamination, the FYR concluded that the remedy for the site is considered protective of human health and the environment.

**Protectiveness Statement:**

The remedy for the Popile, Inc. Superfund Site currently protects human health and the environment because the remedy implemented to date, including institutional controls, has prevented exposure to Site related contamination. However, in order for the remedy to be protective in the long term, the following actions need to be taken to ensure protectiveness: an updated O&M plan should be submitted and additional groundwater monitoring should be evaluated.

The results of the fourth FYR are available to the public at the following information repositories:

SouthArk Library  
South Arkansas Community College-West Campus  
300 Summit Ave,  
El Dorado, AR 71730  
(870) 864-7115

Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment  
5301 Northshore Drive  
North Little Rock, AR 72118  
Web Site: <http://www.adeq.state.ar.us>  
Toll-Free Phone No.: (888) 233-0326

Individuals who would like to review the results of the FYR should contact:

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The next FYR for the Popple Superfund Site will be completed by September 2026.

Dated this 5th Day of June 2022

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