

**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS LANDOWNER INTERVIEW**

**A. Property Information**

NRCS PROGRAM	LANDOWNER NAME		
PROPERTY ADDRESS		NUMBER OF ACRES	
NEST APPLICATION NUMBER	COUNTY	STATE	

**Interview Information**

INTERVIEWER NAME	INTERVIEW DATE
INTERVIEWEE NAME	INTERVIEWEE PHONE NO.
AFFILIATION WITH PROPERTY (e.g., Owner, Operator, Caretaker, Previous Owner, Tenant, Neighbor)	TIME FRAME OF AFFILITION (YRs & MOs)

*“To the Best of Your Knowledge...”*

**A. Property Uses**

1. Do you have or know of the existence of any of the following records related to the property? <i>(If yes, please provide copies or make them available.)</i>	Yes	No	Copy Attached	No Copy Available
a. Radon, asbestos, or lead-based paint surveys				
b. Environmental compliance audit reports				
c. Environmental permits related to current or previous site activities (e.g., waste disposal permits, wastewater permits, NPDES permits)				
d. Registrations for underground and above-ground storage tanks.				
e. Hazardous materials management plans (Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act (EPCRA))				
f. Facility safety plans				
g. Preparedness and prevention plans				
h. Spill prevention, control, and countermeasure (SPCC) plans				
i. Hydrogeologic and geotechnical reports on the property or surrounding area				
j. Notices or other correspondence from any government agency relating to past or current violations of environmental laws with respect to the property				
k. Notices or other correspondence from any government agency relating to environmental liens encumbering the property				
l. Hazardous waste generator notices or reports				
m. Risk assessments				
n. Recorded deed or environmental land use restrictions				
o. Other environmental studies or investigations				

- 2. Has the property ever been used for an industrial or commercial use (e.g., official and unofficial shooting ranges; processing, handling, management, disposal, storage, manufacture, or transportation of hazardous substances or petroleum products, such as a gasoline station, motor repair facility, commercial printing facility, dry cleaners, photographic developing laboratory, methamphetamine laboratory, junkyard, bone yard, or landfill, or as a waste treatment, storage, disposal, processing, or recycling facility). If yes, describe the activities and provide the time frames, types, locations, and quantities of hazardous substance use and storage. Yes  No  Unknown

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- 3. Has there ever been permitted or planned mining activity or oil and gas exploration or development on the property? If yes, describe the activities and provide the time frames, locations, and scope of operations. Yes  No  Unknown

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- 4. Has the property ever been used for agricultural purposes, such as livestock or crops? If yes, describe the operations and indicate the locations and time frames involved. Yes  No  Unknown

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- a. If yes, did the operation involve the use or storage of chemicals such as pesticides, fertilizers, and or solvents? If yes, describe and provide locations and the type, quantity, duration of use, and management practices. Yes  No  Unknown

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- 5. Are there, or have there been, any improvements, such as buildings, water towers, smokestacks, smelters, and old building foundations on the property? If yes, describe each improvement, including construction date for each improvement; location on the property; square footage; past and current uses; dates of major renovations, additions, modifications; number of stories; type of construction; heating and cooling sources; water sources; sewage, solid and hazardous waste disposal; and removal date (if applicable). Yes  No  Unknown

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**B. Hazardous Materials and Substances**

- 1. Do the **current** operations on the property involve the use and storage of chemicals? If yes, please describe the operations and indicate the locations, types, and quantities of materials used. Describe locations of chemical storage, mixing, and loading. Discuss any use, storage, mixing, or disposal of automotive or other batteries, pesticides (e.g., insecticides, herbicides, and fungicides), paints, solvents, or other chemicals on fence lines, rights-of-way, or other structures such as airstrips, heliports, or crop duster operations. Yes  No  Unknown

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- a) If yes, has there been a spill or release of hazardous substances, petroleum products, or other potential environmental problems on the property associated with **current** operations? If yes, describe the nature and locations of the release and the quantities and types of hazardous substances. This

includes staining or soils and floors in areas utilized for the use and storage of hazardous materials.

Yes  No  Unknown

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- b) If there had been a spill or release of hazardous substances or petroleum products, did someone report the incident to the National Response Center or a local or State emergency response authority? If yes, identify the agency.

Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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- c) If a spill or release of hazardous substances or petroleum products has occurred, has the release been mitigated? If yes, describe the mitigation, identify the lead regulatory agency that oversaw the mitigation and indicate if the lead regulatory agency issued a no-further action (NFA) determination.

Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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- d) If remediation is completed, does the property have contamination or residual contamination? If yes, are there any institutional controls or land use restrictions in place or long-term monitoring and maintenance requirements?

Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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- 2. Are there any **past operations** at the property that involved the use or storage of hazardous materials and substances? If yes, describe the operations and the locations, types, and quantities of materials.

Yes  No  Unknown

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- a) If yes, has there been a spill or release of hazardous substances, petroleum products, or other potential environmental problems on the property associated with **past** operations or tenants? If yes, describe the nature and locations of the release and the quantities and types of hazardous substances.

Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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- b) If a spill or release of hazardous substances or petroleum products had occurred, was it reported to the National Response Center or a local or State emergency response authority? If yes, identify the agency.

Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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- c) If a release of hazardous substances or petroleum products had occurred, was the release mitigated? If yes, describe the mitigation, identify the regulatory agency that oversaw the mitigation and indicate if the lead regulatory agency issued a no-further action (NFA) determination.

Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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- d) If remediation is completed, does the property now have contamination or residual contamination present? If yes, are there any institutional controls or land use restrictions in place or long-term monitoring and maintenance requirements? Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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- 3. Have there ever been any easements, rights-of-way, pipelines, utility lines, railways, entry or exit ports and associated structures, either buried or overhead, crossing the property? If yes, please describe and indicate the locations, approximate construction date, and the owner’s identity. Yes  No  Unknown

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- a) If yes, are you aware of any spills or releases associated with these features? If yes, please describe the spills and releases and indicate the date, type, and quantities of materials involved. Yes  No  Unknown

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- b) If a spill or release has occurred, are you aware if the release has been mitigated? If yes, who did the mitigation and what regulatory agency oversaw the mitigation? If known, indicate whether the lead regulatory agency issued a no-further action (NFA) determination. Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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- c) If remediation is completed, are you aware if there the property still has contamination or residual contamination? If yes, are there any institutional controls or land use restrictions in place or long-term monitoring and maintenance requirements? Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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- 4. Are you aware if the property’s topography has been altered or if the property has any unnatural topographic features present? If yes, please describe the topographic alterations or unnatural features. Indicate their locations on the property and, if known, when the alterations occurred and by whom.

Yes  No  Unknown

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- 5. Has fill material ever been brought onto the property that originated from a contaminated site or that was of an unknown origin? If yes, describe the date and quantity of material brought to the property, indicate the location where the material was placed. Yes  No  Unknown

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- a) If fill material came from a contaminated site, identify the fill’s origin and describe the contamination.

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- b) Is there any evidence that waste materials were dumped above grade, buried, or burned, either currently or previously, on the property? Examples include hazardous materials, petroleum products, labeled or unlabeled drums or containers, pesticide containers, household and farm debris, automotive

or industrial batteries, building demolition debris, or other waste materials. Yes  No  Unknown

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6. Are there any floor drains in the onsite structures or areas where chemicals (e.g., waste oil, antifreeze, solvents, and pesticides) were used or stored? If yes, indicate the locations of the structures and the types, quantities, and time frames related to the associated chemical use or storage. For each area or structure, also indicate the discharge location for the floor drains. Yes  No  Unknown

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7. Do the walls, floors, or ceilings of the structures used to store hazardous materials have any chemical stains? If yes, indicate the areas in each structure that has chemical staining. Yes  No  Unknown

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8. Are there or have there been any floors, drains, walls, or ceilings stained by substances other than water or that are emitting foul or unnatural odors (e.g., mold, mildew, algae)? If yes, describe the locations and the nature of the past and current site operations. Yes  No  Unknown

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9. Are there electrical transmission lines, transformers, capacitors, lighting ballast, or hydraulic equipment (e.g., elevators, presses, lifts, or doors) on the property? If yes, identify the locations and approximate age of the equipment. Yes  No  Unknown

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a) If the site has electrical transmission lines, transformers, capacitors, lighting ballast, or hydraulic equipment, has testing been done to determine the presence of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) or has any onsite equipment contained PCBs? If yes, indicate the locations, type of equipment, and dates. Yes  No  Unknown

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b) If the site has or had PCBs, are you aware of any release of PCBs that have occurred? If yes, describe the release and indicate the date, locations and whether the release was mitigated. Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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10. Has there ever been any mercury-containing equipment (e.g., switches, thermostats, thermometers, manometers, or sink traps) on the property? If yes, indicate the locations and type of equipment and dates. Yes  No  Unknown

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11. Are you aware of any radon, asbestos-containing materials, or lead-based paint on the property? If yes, indicate the type, locations and dates. Yes  No  Unknown

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- a) If yes, has anyone done any radon, asbestos-containing materials, or lead-based paint surveys on the property? If yes, indicate whether radon, asbestos-containing materials, or lead-based paint has been identified in any onsite buildings. Identify the dates of the surveys, the structures, the results, and condition of the materials. Yes  No  Unknown

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12. Is there current or past use of above-ground or underground storage tanks, including drums or other fuel containers, on the property? If yes, identify the tanks locations, installation dates, and the types and quantities of materials stored. If the tanks were removed, indicate the removal date and whether the lead regulatory agency issued a closure certification notice. Yes  No  Unknown

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- a) If above-ground or underground storage tanks are or were used on the property, was there ever a spill or release of hazardous substances associated with the tank system? If yes, indicate the date and nature of the spill or release. Yes  No  Unknown

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- b) If a spill or release has occurred related to an onsite tank system, was it mitigated to the satisfaction of the lead regulatory agency? If no, describe further actions that must be undertaken to address the spill or release. Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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13. Are you aware of any hazardous substance or pollutant or contaminant spill or release, or other potential environmental problems on any **adjacent or nearby properties**? If yes, please describe (if known) the locations of the release, the type and quantities of materials involved, and the approximate dates. If known, also indicate the owner of the property where the release occurred. Yes  No  Unknown

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- a) If there was a release of hazardous substances, petroleum products on any **adjacent or nearby properties** are you aware if the release was mitigated? Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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- b) Are you aware of contamination or residual contamination on **adjacent or nearby properties** that poses a threat or may pose a future threat to the property? If yes, describe the threat or potential threat. Yes  No  Unknown

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- c) Are you aware of any institutional controls, land use restrictions, long-term monitoring, or maintenance requirements in place on **adjacent or nearby properties** that affect the property? If yes, please describe and identify the adjacent or nearby property and the property owner. Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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**C. Water and Wastewater**

1. Does the property currently or has it ever been supplied by an onsite drinking water supply well? If yes, provide the well locations and construction dates. Yes  No  Unknown

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a) Have contaminants ever been identified in the onsite drinking water well or the water system that exceeded acceptable levels? If yes, describe the contamination and indicate the dates, contaminant levels and the source of the contamination, if known. Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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b) If an onsite drinking water well is no longer used, has it been properly abandoned according to applicable regulatory requirements? If yes, indicate the date the well was abandoned. Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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2. Has the property ever had an onsite wastewater treatment and disposal systems (e.g., septic systems or sewage lagoons). If yes, please describe of the system, including the locations, size, date constructed, and which buildings discharge to the system. Yes  No  Unknown

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a) If the onsite wastewater treatment and disposal system is no longer used, has it been closed? If yes, describe method of closure and date closed. Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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3. Does the property have any monitoring wells? If yes, explain the purpose of the wells and provide the locations, dates of construction, and any analytical results. Yes  No  Unknown

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a) If the monitoring wells are no longer used, were they properly abandoned according to applicable regulatory requirements? If yes, indicate the date the well was abandoned. Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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4. Does the property have surface water (e.g., pits, ponds, lagoons, rivers, creeks, or oceans)? If yes, describe the locations and type of surface water. Yes  No  Unknown

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a) If the property has surface water, are you aware of any unnatural characteristics such as color, sheens, odors, or sterility? If yes, please describe and indicate whether the situation is new or pre-existing. Yes  No  N/A  Unknown

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- 5. Has the property ever discharged industrial or other wastewater (excluding storm water runoff or sanitary wastewater discharges from restrooms, kitchens, or other household-type uses) onto or adjacent to the property? If yes, describe the discharge and indicate the locations and dates. Yes  No  Unknown

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**D. Compliance/Permits**

- 1. Have there been any environmental permits or licenses issued for current or past operations associated with the property (e.g., air quality, water discharge, or landfills)? If yes, describe the permitted operations, indicate the permitting agency, date the permit was issued, and whether the permit is still effective.

Yes  No  Unknown

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- 2. Are you aware of any environmental liens against the property that were filed or recorded under Federal, Tribal, State or local law? If yes, describe the lien and indicate the date and effect on the current and future use of the property.

Yes  No  Unknown

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- 3. Are you aware of any activity and land use limitations that are in place on the property or that were filed or recorded under Federal, Tribal, State or local environmental laws? If yes, describe the land use restrictions, identify the party that issued the restrictions and the date.

Yes  No  Unknown

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- 4. Are you aware of any compliance or enforcement notices relating to past or current violations of environmental laws with respect to the property or any facility on the property? If yes, describe the violations and the dates involved.

Yes  No  Unknown

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- 5. Are you aware if any environmental site assessment, or other environmental investigations, of the property, or any other property or site records ever indicated the presence of hazardous substances, petroleum products, or other potential environmental problems on the property? If yes, describe the report and findings.

Yes  No  Unknown

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- 6. Are you aware of any environmental site assessment, or other environmental investigations, of the property, or any other property or site records that recommended further assessment of the property? If yes, identify the report and indicate if the further assessment was done.

Yes  No  Unknown

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- 7. Are you aware of any past, threatened, or pending lawsuits or administrative proceedings concerning a release or threatened release of any hazardous substances or petroleum products on the real property? If yes, describe the action and identify the party that is initiating the action.

Yes  No  Unknown

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**E. Other**

1. Are you aware any past or current occurrences of anomalous vegetation (e.g., stressed or dead) on the property? If yes, indicate the locations and approximate dates. Yes  No  Unknown

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2. Are you aware of the presence of invasive or non-native plants on the property? If yes, please indicate the locations and names (e.g., kudzu, *Phragmites*, cheatgrass), if known, and approximate area covered by the plants. Yes  No  Unknown

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a) If yes, has there been any attempt to remove or eradicate the invasive species? If yes, explain what was attempted and if it was successful? Yes  No  Unknown

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b) Have any vegetative control programs (e.g., along transmission lines, fence lines, rights-of-ways, or pipelines) been done on the property? If yes, describe the program and types of activities. Yes  No  Unknown

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3. If not mentioned above, is there anything else that could indicate the presence of hazardous substances, petroleum products or other environmental conditions that may affect the property? Yes  No  Unknown

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