

Former Defense Distribution Depot Memphis, TN Takes Initiative in the Land Transfer Process

DLA, with the local reuse authority and the Army, entered into a lease in furtherance of conveyance (LIFC), which allowed for the transfer of almost 600 acres at DDMT that is now available for community redevelopment and reuse as a golf course and youth center. DLA's initiation of an early soil removal action at DDMT will greatly expedite the transfer of additional land. site had been closed successfully and no hazardous contaminants remained.

After several years of negotiations, DLA, the Department of Army, and the local reuse authority entered into a lease in furtherance of conveyance (LIFC) for 578 acres at the former Defense Distribution Depot Memphis (DDMT). DLA also initiated an early soil removal action, which will clear the way for additional land transfer.

On the main installation, pilot tests involving two in situ enhanced bioremediation technologies were completed and demonstrated an ideal method to improve groundwater cleanup. A finding of suitability to transfer, submitted in FY 2003 by DDMT, will allow a deed transfer to the local reuse authority for approximately 350 acres of the main installation. Current reuse under the LIFC includes operation and maintenance of the nine-hole golf course that provides youth life-skills training programs, successful generation of almost 1000 new jobs, and use of over 48 percent of the buildings.

An early soil removal from a former pistol range at Dunn Field eliminates another hurdle to deed transfer of land not included in the LIFC. The land will be transferred to the local community for a new public park and to support light rail transportation. In addition, DDMT held a public meeting on the proposed plan for Dunn Field remediation after successful completion of the feasibility studies and remedial investigation. Innovative technology will be key to the success of the proposed remedies and the final transfer of property.

plumbing, traffic, city permits, schedule, and sealing of their wells. All issues were handled without any major incident and the residents were very pleased with the progress and efficiency of the construction project. All work was completed by September 2003.

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