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Remedial Work Continues in 2007 **Early Action Areas**

FMC Corporation, with oversight by the government regulatory Agencies, began remedial work on the vacant wooded lot north of the FMC plant (Coe property), portions of Culvert 105 (between the canal and Sleeper Street, including Margaret Droman Park, and between Sleeper and Mechanic Streets) and on FMC's railroad property on the northern border of the plant site. Preliminary work before the removal of primarily surface soils on the residential homes (9 on the south side of Park and 1 on Maple Avenue) also began in mid-September with the clearing of vegetation.



Wooded Lot (Coe Property)



Culvert 105 (Sleeper/Mechanic Sts.)

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Updates from FMC's Price Protection Program

Fall Tour of Homes Planned

FMC's Property Price Protection program provides homeowners in current environmental study areas assurance that they will receive fair market value for their homes if they decide to sell them.

According to the latest Multiple Listing Statistics (MLS), the average list and sales prices of all single-family homes in the Village of Middleport have remained stable since the program was implemented in 2004.

Sharrie Wartell of Community Interaction Consulting (CIC), the firm that administers FMC's program, Middleport says that



Middleport properties continue to sell at about 95 to 96% of their list prices. This is comparable to list price ratios around the United States. She notes that properties that have been well maintained and updated usually sell quickly.

Recent MLS data can be

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with your questions, comments or concerns. Vegetation on the wooded lot (Coe property) was cleared away and removal of the debris from the burned out building from the industrial/commercial operations that once were conducted there has been completed. Soil excavation began upon Agency approval of the submitted work plans and receipt of access permission from the affected property owners. Backfilling with clean soil followed and continues.

Vegetation was removed on the Margaret Droman and Sleeper /Mechanic Street (Culvert 105) work areas and on FMC's north railroad property in preparation for upcoming remedial activities.

All work is being conducted with oversight by the government regulatory Agencies and follows an approved health and safety plan. Particular attention has been given to controlling dust and minimizing inconveniences for residents.



Culvert 105 (Margaret Droman Park)



FMC-owned North Railroad Property

FMC Proposes Expansion of Existing Soil Management Area Walking Tours Scheduled

To accommodate soils removed in Middleport remedial projects beyond 2007, FMC has proposed an expansion of the existing area at the Middleport plant where soils removed in past remedial projects have been placed. The area that FMC will propose be designated as a

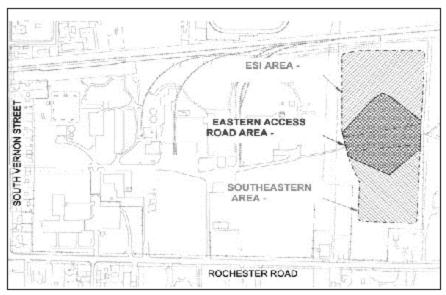
Corrective Action Management Unit (CAMU) is on the eastern side of the plant site.

A CAMU is an engineered land disposal unit authorized under the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) at a facility for management of remediation waste generated during environmental cleanups. This unit would be situated above-ground and would be covered and vegetated.

FMC plans to request that the Agencies designate a CAMU on its plant site for permanent management of non-hazardous contaminated soils and debris removed in the course of performing remedial actions on the FMC Middleport plant property and on off-site properties in Middleport.

The CAMU would be located where soils

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News from the FMC plant

By Dana Thompson, FMC Plant Manager



Business has been strong with the volume of material we have run through the plant year to date is greater than anticipated and we expect to end the year with more volume than budgeted! Our busy season extended into July and didn't show signs of slowing up until August. Four new products were launched this year and hopefully we will be able to launch 1 or 2 more before year's end.

FMC has opened the

Neighborhood Office at 17 Vernon
Street, and we invite residents to stop
by for a visit. Debra Overkamp, FMC's
new Community Liaison, is there and
she can answer questions and share
information at this convenient location
right in the Village. Debra may be a
familiar face to many residents in
Middleport as she has been part of
FMC's environmental team since 2003.
She can also be reached at the
Neighborhood Office by calling 735-7939.

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Thanks to Tyler Luckman, who called the Police about smoke from a chimney on a Freeman Ave. home this August.

According to Debra, we have a big thank you to extend to a very observant and responsible young man who noticed a furnace problem at a home on Freeman Avenue. When he noticed smoke from the chimney, he called for help from the Middleport Police and the Middleport Volunteer Fire Departments, who took care of the situation promptly and professionally. I would like to express my personal

thanks to the Middleport Fire Department and to Tyler Luckman. FMC presented Tyler with a \$100 gift certificate as a token of our appreciation and for his quick thinking in responding to an emergency.

While FMC continues to work with the community by hosting the Middleport CAP, the Community Input Group meetings, and the various tours and events, I invite residents to contact me or Debra Overkamp if they have questions or concerns about the plant or FMC's programs in Middleport.

Fond Farewells to Two Long-time Employees



Congratulations to John Shuttleworth and Bob Wilcox who recently retired. With more than 55 years of experience at the Middleport plant between them, they will be greatly missed.



Farewell lunches in their honor were held for John and Bob in appreciation for their years of service and to give plant employees the opportunity to share memories and to wish John and Bob the best of luck.

excavated in the past from the Roy-Hart School athletic fields and bleacher area, the residential properties west of the FMC plant site, and the drainage ditches along the railroad tracks north of the plant site have been placed. These areas are being managed under plans approved by the Agencies. FMC is also considering two other areas that are on the east and southeast portions of the plant site. (See diagram.)

Non-hazardous soil and debris generated in the course of remedial projects would be placed in the CAMU. No wastes from current industrial operations at the FMC plant, hazardous wastes, or wastes from any third party will be placed in the CAMU. The zoning ordinances of the Town of Royalton, where the CAMU would be situated, limit its height to 35 feet. Although the CAMU would not be sited within the political boundaries of the Village, FMC has presented and reviewed

the proposition and proposed dimensions of the CAMU in meetings with the Middleport CIG and Village board. Information was also presented at two public meetings on April 24 and June 18.

FMC will continue to inform the community about this proposed unit through newsletters, public meetings and at two walking tours of the area scheduled for Wed., Oct. 3 at 6 p.m. and on Sat., Oct. 13 at 11 a.m.

Residents are invited to take a tour, both of which begin at FMC's Neighborhood Office at 17 Vernon St. Please call Debra Overkamp at 735-7939 to register or for more information.

Information about the proposed expansion of the soil management area can be heard on podcasts on the Middleport Web site at: www.middleport-ny.com



CAMU OPEN HOUSE & WALKING TOURS Wed., Oct. 3 at 6 PM and Sat., Oct. 13 at 11 AM Meet at 17 Vernon St. - Call 735-7939 for information

We want to hear what you think! Please return this card to us with your thoughts.

NAME:	I would be interested in:
ADDRESS:	A tour of the FMC Middleport plant
CITY:STATE:ZIP:	More information about the FMC Middleport
PHONE:	web site.
E-MAIL ADDRESS:	My specific comment or question is:
 I would like to receive further information about FMC's Middleport plant. Please send this newsletter to the name(s) and address(es) listed: 	
	It is okay for FMC to share my comments with the NYS Departments of Environmental Conservation and Health and the US Environmental Protection Agency.
I would like FMC to make a presentation to my organization.	THANK YOU!

obtained at the FMC Property Price Protection Office at 15 Main Street. A copy of the weekly listings of Middleport properties that are for sale in the program and their list prices is also available there or online at www.middleport-ny.com.

For a copy of a general information sheet about the program, stop by the 15 Main Street office or download a copy at www.middleport-ny.com.

A "Fall Cruise Through Middleport" will be held on Sat., October 27 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Homes listed for sale in the program will be open for tours and door prizes and refreshments will be served at each home. Maps of the homes on the tour can be picked up at the 15 Main Street office or downloaded online from www.middleport-ny.com.

Please take a moment to share your thoughts on the enclosed comment card.

<u>Each returned comment receives a</u> personalized follow-up response.



Topics from comment cards have covered the environment, health and safety, the future of FMC, plant operations and tour requests.



RESIDENTS IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY AREAS

The Middleport Community Input Group (CIG) is hosting a Panel Discussion October 1, 2007 by Dr. Rosalind Schoof, Dr. Terry Bower and Dr. Dan Watts at 6 p.m. at the Middleport Fire Hall. The topics are arsenic in soil and results from FMC's studies. Middleport residents are <u>encouraged</u> to attend.

All CIG Meeting Notes are available online at: www.middleport-future.com



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Roy-Hart Students Recognized For Academic Excellence

David Smith, Melissa Mark and Jonathan Beabout were awarded scholarships by FMC Corporation for their accomplishments in Biology, Math and Chemistry, respectively, at Roy-Hart's annual Senior Recognition Ceremony June 7 at the High School auditorium. The students were chosen for their outstanding work in their respective subject areas. Each scholar received a \$300 cash award from FMC in recognition of their hard work and dedication. Smith attends the State University of New York at Buffalo, Mark attends LaMoyne College in Syracuse, New York and Beabout is a Senior at Roy-Hart this year.



David Smith



Meĥssa Mark



Jonathan Beabout

FALL CRUISE THROUGH MIDDLEPORT TOUR HOMES FOR SALE IN FMC's PRICE PROTECTION PROGRAM

Saturday, October 27 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Maps of homes for sale are available at FMC's 15 Main Street Office. Door prizes and refreshments at each home - Call 735-9769 for more information.

