



Midnite Mine Superfund Site : The Spokane Tribe

Case Study: Tribe Information

- The Midnite Mine Superfund Site is located on the Spokane Reservation in Washington. Mining activities were conducted adjacent to the surface waters of the Blue Creek and Lake Roosevelt. The community traditionally uses river waters and wetland areas for cultural and ceremonial practices.
- The Spokane signed a MOA with the USEPA regarding CERCLA activities on the Midnite Mine Superfund Site.
- NPL documents of interest may be available through ITEP's resource library.

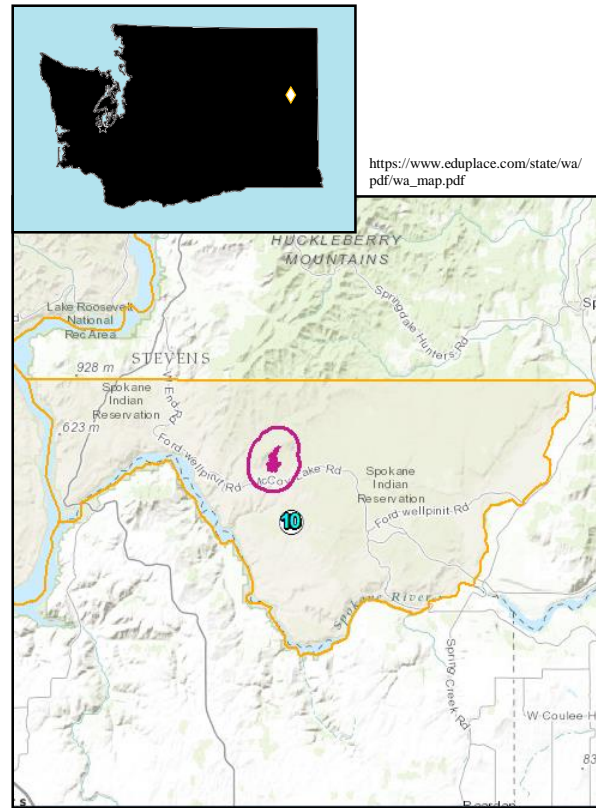
EPA NPL Status Information

- Recent Site History: From 1955 until 1981, uranium mining operations took place on 350 acres. The Dawn Mining Company and the Newmont Gold Inc. extracted approx. 2.9 million tons of uranium ore. From the six pits excavated there are about 2.4 million tons of stock piled ore and 33 million tons of waste rock left behind. Due to exposed ore piles, waste rock piles, and forming pit walls, acid rock drainage seeps into surface and ground waters.

Map Key

- Native Lands —
- NPL Site ●
- 4 Mile Buffer —

- Response activities: Site was listed as NPL in 2000 with a HRS score of 50.00. The next step is the remedial design /remedial action phase.



Primary Contaminants

- Aluminum, Barium, Beryllium, Cadmium, Chromium, Cobalt, Copper, Lead, Lead-210, Manganese, Nickel, Radium-226, Radon, Selenium, Silver, Uranium, Uranium-234, Uranium-238, Vanadium, Zinc

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