



## Interoffice Memo

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**FROM:** Patrick Allen, P.E., State Materials Engineer

**TO:** Kimberly Nesbitt, State Program Delivery Administrator  
Attn: Courtney Cedor, Project Manager

**SUBJECT:** **Phase II Environmental Site Assessment Report**

The attached information details the results of the Phase II Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) which was conducted within the existing and/or required right-of-way of this project. The following 3 sites were investigated.

- Site 1 – Sunoco Gas Station (Parcel ID WG010013) at 1700 GA 138, Covington GA 30014
- Site 2 – BP Gas Station (Parcel ID WG010232) at 1651 GA 138, Covington GA 30014
- Site 3 – Mike’s Tire Shop (Parcel ID WG010254) at 1701 GA 138, Covington GA 30014

### Site 1

Petroleum contaminants in soil and groundwater were detected. Soil contamination exceeding EPD regulatory limits was encountered at this site at a depth of 10 feet. Petroleum groundwater contamination exceeding EPD regulatory limits was encountered at a depth of 20 feet. Please refer to the attached laboratory test reports. Due to the above detections, OMAT will submit a notification package to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division Underground Storage Tank Management Program (GA EPD USTMP). OMAT recommends waiting on the GA EPD response to the notification prior to the right-of-way purchases or negotiations. Due to the petroleum in groundwater stated above, OMAT recommends construction for this project does not exceed 8 feet in depth due to the contaminated soil near this parcel. However if construction activities will exceed 8 feet near this site, then Standard Specification 217 must be followed for proper handling and disposal of contaminated soils.

### Site 2

Contamination was not encountered. The UST system will not be impacted by additional right-of-way requirements. Therefore, it appears that right-of-way acquisition at this parcel may proceed and no additional investigation is necessary.

### **Site 3**

Contamination was not encountered. Various metals were detected in the soil samples but they are well within the range of EPD regulatory limits in the State of Georgia. Please refer to the attached laboratory test reports. Therefore, it appears that right-of-way acquisition at these parcels may proceed and no additional investigation is necessary.

Included with the Phase II Environmental Site Assessment: Drilling Information (7), Summary of Boring Information, Boring Location Maps, Boring Logs, and Laboratory Analytical Reports (75).

If additional information is needed, please contact Radha Geetha Palliambil of the Geotechnical Bureau at [rpalliambil@dot.ga.gov](mailto:rpalliambil@dot.ga.gov).

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