



Maryland Department of the
Environment

FACTS ABOUT: BOK MINES NOA SITE

Site Description

The BOK Mines Naturally Occurring Asbestos (NOA) site is located north of Dogwood Road in southwestern Baltimore County. The 0.889-acre site contains a mine trench, terraces, a spring head and a stone cistern.

The geographic coordinates are latitude 39.317919 degrees north and longitude -76.787515 degrees west.

Site History

The BOK Mines NOA site had been mined for a short period sometime after 1917. According to USGS Bulletin 1082-K, Chromite and Other Mineral Deposits in Serpentine Rocks of the Piedmont Upland, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Delaware, 1960, the BOK mine(s) produced slip-fiber anthophyllite for making asbestos shingles. Talc and chlorite were associated with the anthophyllite.

Environmental Investigations and Actions

There are no records in the MDE or EPA archives of previous investigations or remedial actions taken for the BOK Mines NOA site.

Current Status

The BOK Mines NOA site was identified in the March 2010, *Maryland Naturally Occurring Asbestos Initiative Report* as a Level I Priority NOA Initiative site. Level I sites are those with the greatest potential to expose large and sensitive populations to NOA. Currently, a plan to conduct a Site Inspection at the site is under review. Tentative plans are for the site to be investigated in the Fall of 2012.



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