

Crestview Station: Connecting Austin

VCP 1830

7114 North Lamar Boulevard Austin, Texas

History: Crestview Station is a 71 acre property that was a chemical research facility, processing components for soaps, foams, and glues from 1949 until 2005. Waste from the research was buried in landfills on the property until 1969. The site was identified as a prime location for a high-density, mixed use project and transit-oriented development. The site applied to the VCP to facilitate cleanup and redevelopment in late 2005.



Investigation: There were known and suspected areas where waste materials were buried. A large portion of the site was assessed using a surface geophysical survey and ground penetrating radar process to find the suspected buried waste pits.





Remediation: Certificates of Completion for two partial response action areas were issued at the site. Cleanup consisted of the excavation and disposal of approximately 20,000 cubic yards of buried waste products and impacted soils. Groundwater monitoring and an institutional control addressed a benzene plume in one small area of the property.



Redevelopment: Crestview Station includes about 500 single-family homes, 600 apartments, ball fields, and 150,000 square feet of retail & office space built around a Capitol Metro rail stop. Property values have increased significantly and several new jobs were created as a result of the redevelopment. Crestview Station is key to the City's plan to connect Austin through future expansion of the public transportation system.

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