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In recent weeks, U.S. General Services Administration and partner tenant agencies have made progress at the Goodfellow Federal Center in following health and industrial hygiene recommendations from National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health, as outlined in their [July 11](#) and [July 28](#) letters. We are also on track to meet citation requirements and timelines set by Occupational Safety and Health Administration [July 1](#) and [July 26](#).

In parallel, GSA is working on several other environmental and industrial hygiene activities, including enhancing housekeeping activities campuswide and developing a remedial action plan to address contaminants in areas like basements, mechanical support spaces and above ceiling tiles. We will continue to share updates on these activities in the coming weeks.

Indoor Air and Domestic Water Sampling

An environmental contractor began another round of campuswide indoor air quality testing and concurrent domestic water sampling Sept. 7, with Building 107. The preliminary plan calls for the contractor to move clockwise around the Federal Center and to complete the effort with Building 110 by the end of October. GSA's onsite field office will work with tenant agency leadership to coordinate each building's specific sampling dates and any necessary arrangements for access. GSA will continue to post sampling results in the reading room in Building 107 and the [online reading room](#). Both indoor air and domestic water will continue to be monitored periodically.

Investigating the Outdoor Environment

As we presented in the [June 6 stakeholder memo](#), GSA's environmental management of the Federal Center is governed by the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act. Earlier this year, GSA commissioned a Remedial Investigation of the complex -- one of the early steps in the [CERCLA process](#) -- involving soil and groundwater sampling to characterize environmental conditions at the site. This sampling work was completed in early summer and the final report is expected in October.

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources is the oversight agency for CERCLA because the Environmental Protection Agency delegated this authority to the states. MDNR is engaged with the Federal Center project, and the agency will review the Remedial Investigation findings. If MDNR concludes more data is needed to adequately identify the nature and extent of the soil and groundwater contamination, then GSA will conduct further activities until all issues are fully characterized. When characterization is complete, GSA and partner agencies will create a proposed plan to address the findings.

If you have any questions for GSA, please contact us by emailing r6environmental@gsa.gov. Inquiries received to this email will be coordinated with the proper subject matter expert for response. Refer to the [online reading room](#) for previous informational messages.

Thank you,

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