

Department of Energy

Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP) – Southwest Ohio

Alba Craft

Oxford, Ohio

The former Alba Craft laboratory has been cleaned up under the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP). This property is located at 10-14 West Rose Avenue in Oxford, Ohio in a residential neighborhood. The "h" shaped building had a total area of approximately 7,000 to 8,000 square feet. From 1952 through 1957 the former laboratory was used by a subcontractor to machine uranium metal slugs for the Department of Energy (DOE). The majority of this work was done for the nearby DOE Fernald plant north of Cincinnati. Records indicate that Alba Craft machined several hundred tons of uranium metal. The facility was decontaminated in 1957 to the standards of that time. A 1992 radiological survey indicated residual uranium contamination above current guidelines. Although most of the contamination was found inside the laboratory, low levels of contamination were found in a storm drain, adjacent soils and on neighboring properties.

An apartment building and single dwelling homes border the fence line. Remediation took place between September, 1994 and January, 1995. The State of Ohio provided oversight during the planning and remediation, as well as participated in public meetings and weekly inspections.

Decontamination and demolition of Alba Craft occurred in the fall of 1994. The surface of the former laboratory was decontaminated, concrete walls were crushed, and soils were removed. All materials were shipped by truck to Envirocare of Utah. The site was cleaned up to a level of 35 pCi/g total uranium plus As Low as Reasonably Achievable (ALARA) goals were met. The Alba Craft site was officially completed in February 1995, making it the 17th completed FUSRAP site. The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) along with the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) conducted two sampling events to assure cleanup guidelines were met. Additional removal of some soils was necessary upon analysis of the results. Upon satisfactory inspection Ohio EPA and ODH issued a final report in March 1995, to the City of Oxford designating the site be released for unrestricted use by the city and citizens of Oxford.

More information on the Alba Craft site is available at the following locations:

Lane Public Library - Oxford Branch
15 South College Avenue
Oxford, Ohio 45056

City of Oxford Municipal Building
101 East High Street
Oxford, Ohio 45056

Related Link: [DOE Legacy Management](#)

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