

October 16, 2019

RE: Paula Yankton

Spirit Lake Tribal Council Spirit Lake Nation PO Box 359 Fort Totten, ND 58335

Honorable Spirit Lake Tribal Councilmembers,

We are sending you this letter to provide a summary of the environmental clean-up and disposal of the air force base home which was started in September of 2019 by the Brownfields Program under the Spirit Lake Environmental Protection Administration. The work that was started on the unit was suspended due some testing sampling discrepancies. The site contained lead and asbestos due to the construction of the unit at the time it was built. The building was located on BIA RD. 8 in Fort Totten, ND 58335. (47°57'37.2"N 99°03'37.6"W).

The building was built between the late 1960's and early 1970's and was placed on Trust Land from Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and used to help address the housing shortage in our community. It was vacant for the last several years; being used as a temporary place of worship and then storage. The square footage for the single-story building was approximately 1,500 sq. ft. or 42' x 36'.

Environmental work conducted by the Brownfields program includes the following:

- Phase I Environmental Assessment
- Phase II Environmental Assessment
- Clean-up and Disposal
- IECIS Group (Stillwater, MN) conducted assessments and the clean-up.
- Bulk Asbestos analysis was performed by Techtron Engineering in accordance to EPA methodology.
- Contamination and construction debris was disposed of in appropriate landfills.

Contamination and construction debris found at this location was cleaned up, recycled and/or disposed of in appropriate landfill facilities; therefore Institutional Controls (reuse restrictions) were not necessary. Contamination removed included the flooring thru out the unit which had mastic that contained asbestos in the glue compounds, black mold behind the baseboards and the drywall.

We are providing this information in order to document the activities for this location in the historical record for Tribal lands. If you have questions or want additional information, please contact the Spirit Lake Tribal EPA at (701)230-0573

Sincerely,

Arthur Carmona Spirit Lake Brownfield Coordinator, Spirit Lake Environmental Protection Administration