

Soil Cleanup in South Hutchinson Removes Waste Pile for Business Expansion

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BER is working with Krause Corporation and their consultant to remove contaminated soil and waste from the Krause facility in Hutchinson. Soils and waste in the excavation area are contaminated with lead, arsenic, chromium, and paint waste. In 2006, while the property was enrolled in the Voluntary Cleanup and Property Redevelopment Program, an engineered cap had been constructed over the waste pile and an Environmental Use Control placed on the property to prevent disturbing the encapsulated waste.



Waste removed from the encapsulation cell.



Excavation in progress.



The property after waste removed and disposed of.

Kuhn North America, Inc. purchased the property to expand their business, and as a condition of redevelopment, wanted all the waste removed from the property. KDHE has provided guidance and regulatory oversight by working with the consultant and Krause towards a successful removal of the waste. A total of 48,000 tons of excavated soils and waste have been loaded into trucks or railroad gondolas for appropriate disposal. KDHE expects to remove the EUC once the property is cleaned up to unrestricted cleanup standards.

The cleaned up property will be used for an equipment laydown yard.