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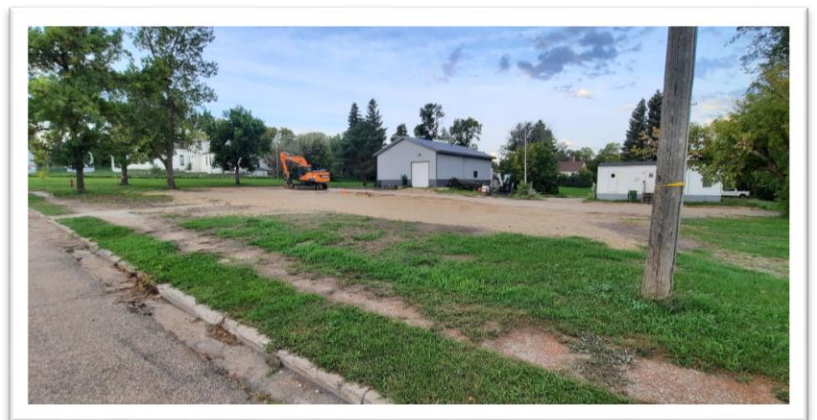
RE: Old Hospital demolition/cleanup

Spirit Lake Tribal Council
Spirit Lake Tribe
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, demolition and disposal of the Old Hospital which was completed in August of 2021 by the Brownfields Program under the Spirit Lake Environmental Protection Administration. The building was located at the following coordinates, 47.979133, -98.993090, Ft. Totten, Benson County, North Dakota 58335.

The site is owned by the Spirit Lake Tribe. The Building structure was no longer being used and had become an environmental hazard. The Building was constructed roughly in the late 1940's. The building had some emotional relevance to the community members it once served as a residential treatment center and many elders of our community had expressed stories of being born there. Based upon the recent Phase II Environmental Site Assessment, Lead-Based Paint are environmental concerns.



Environmental work conducted by the Brownfields program includes the following:

- Phase II Environmental Assessment
- Clean-up and Disposal
- IECIS Group (Stillwater, MN) conducted the clean-up.
- Bulk Asbestos analysis and assessments was performed by Weston Solutions 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 lead-based paint, and contaminated soil around the site.

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)230-4439.

Sincerely,

Arthur Carmona,
Brownfields Department
Spirit Lake Environmental Protection Administration