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DEQ and EPA to Hold Open House to Discuss Superfund Site in Cyril

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will host an open house meeting on Tuesday, May 2, 2017, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., to discuss the Oklahoma Refining Company (ORC) Superfund site. The community meeting will be held at the Cyril City Hall at 116 West Main Street. Representatives from DEQ and EPA will be available to discuss and answer questions related to the site. Participants will learn about the Superfund process, recent sampling events and future plans for the site. The public will have the opportunity to talk directly with agency representatives at the open house.

The ORC Site was an oil refinery with operations beginning in 1920. Refinery operations continued until 1984 with intermittent attempts to restart the refinery in limited capacity through 1994. The site was added to the National Priorities List (NPL), also known as Superfund, in June 1988. Previous cleanup activities implemented under Superfund addressed contamination identified on the southern portion of the site and demolition and removal of refinery structures, tanks and chemicals from the northern portion of the site. Currently, Superfund is working on addressing contamination on the northern portion of the site and investigating surface water and ground water.

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