

N42237.AR.000073
NSB KINGS BAY
5090.3a

NEWSPAPER ARTICLE "SECOND GROUNDWATER MEETING OCT. 15" NSB KINGS BAY
GA
10/17/1992
SOUTHEAST GEORGIAN

31547.000
13.01.00.0023

Second Groundwater Meeting Oct. 15

The Navy, in conjunction with the City of St. Marys, will conduct a second public meeting to discuss the investigation of the groundwater "plume" of vinyl chloride discovered near the old Camden County landfill. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 15, at the Crooked River Elementary School.

This is a follow-up to the Sept. 3 meeting which provided information concerning this groundwater contamination. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the groundwater testing which will begin this month near the old landfill, including the Crooked River Plantation subdivision.

The investigation will include testing of select private wells and groundwater sampling using hydrocone technology in designated right of ways and roadways. Hydrocone testing consists of a large truck with a metal probe which is pushed into the ground to retrieve samples. Hydrocone sampling of a few private properties may also be necessary to more clearly define the location and extent of the plume. All sampling on private

property will require the property owner's cooperation and written permission.

This sampling and analysis is being conducted to develop a plan

to address treatment of the plume. Crooked River Plantation residents are encouraged to attend this meeting to discuss details of the sampling locations and technologies which will be used in this stage of the investigation. Permission forms for testing on private property and in wells will also be

available at the meeting.

Vinyl chloride results from the breakdown of solvents and is a carcinogen when inhaled or ingested in high concentrations over a long period of time. The vinyl chloride plume was discovered this summer during a groundwater investigation under the Navy's nationwide Installation Restoration Program.

For further information on the meeting or the testing, contact Bob Steller at the Submarine Base Public Affairs Office, 673-4714.