

# Coliseum Boulevard Plume Institutional Control Program Fact Sheet

## What is the Coliseum Boulevard Plume (“CBP”)?

- An area where the groundwater contains trichloroethylene (“TCE”). See map on back of this page.
- ALDOT used TCE, a common solvent, to test asphalt used for highway construction.
- Per manufacturer’s recommendations, used TCE was discharged into the sewer system.
- Some of the used TCE leaked through sewer pipe joints and eventually migrated to the groundwater.
- TCE has not been discharged to the sewer system for more than 20 years.

## Exposure to TCE from the CBP is very limited because:

- TCE is contained in the groundwater which is about 10 to 50 feet below land surface.
- The Institutional Control Program for the CBP (see below) includes environmental covenants and deed restrictions on property in the CBP that prohibit access and use of the groundwater without notice and approval of ALDOT.
- There is no TCE in surface water in the CBP that is accessible to the public.
- There is no TCE in the drinking water in the CBP. All drinking water comes from sources outside the CBP.
- There are no industrial wells in the CBP that contain TCE.

## What are Institutional Controls?

- Administrative or legal controls to minimize groundwater exposure during:
  - Construction-related activities
  - Maintenance of Utilities

## What is the Institutional Control Program for the CBP?

- ALDOT is obtaining environmental covenants from all property owners in the CBP that:
  - Prohibits access, contact or use of groundwater
  - Provides ALDOT limited access to the property for investigation of the CBP
  - Releases ALDOT from future claims, except claims related to personal injury
- Each covenant runs with the land in perpetuity.
- Each covenant is filed and indexed at the Probate Office to give notice to all future title or interest holders.
- Each covenant is enforceable by ALDOT and the Alabama Department of Environmental Management.
- ALDOT reviews property sales and transfers to ensure that new owners are aware of the deed restrictions.

## How do I get more information?

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