

Request for Records Disposition Authority

Records Schedule Number DAA-0145-2017-0024
Schedule Status Approved

Agency or Establishment Farm Service Agency
Record Group / Scheduling Group Records of the Farm Service Agency
Records Schedule applies to Agency-wide
Schedule Subject Hazardous Waste Program
Internal agency concurrences will be provided No

Background Information

The USDA Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) managed a large-scale surplus grain storage program from the late 1930's until the mid-1970s as part of USDA's price support program for American farmers. The CCC operated the grain storage program at various leased properties in Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, and other states. Because much of the grain was stored for extended periods of time, it was periodically necessary to fumigate the grain to control destructive insects. The fumigant mixture most commonly used by CCC contained the chlorinated solvent carbon tetrachloride. Carbon tetrachloride was used as a pesticide for the stored grain until banned by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 1985.

In the mid-1980s, CCC and the EPA identified several former CCC grain storage facilities where carbon tetrachloride was present in groundwater supplies and presented a potential threat to public health. Addressing these former grain storage facility sites, most of which are located on private property, has been the focus of CCC's hazardous waste cleanup program to date. Many of these former CCC sites have groundwater contamination above the Federal drinking water standard of 5 µg/l (micrograms per liter). CCC's Hazardous Waste Program involves the investigation and remediation of these contaminated sites.

The CCC program operates in response to regulatory requirements and legal mandates at either the state or Federal level. The statutory authorities for the CCC program include: state or EPA CERCLA statutes, state implementation of the Safe Drinking Water Act and in some cases the Clean Water Act. Environmental response actions at former CCC sites are undertaken in response to identified public health threats or potential natural resource degradation as identified within state statutes.

Item Count

Number of Total Disposition Items	Number of Permanent Disposition Items	Number of Temporary Disposition Items	Number of Withdrawn Disposition Items
1	0	1	0

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Outline of Records Schedule Items for DAA-0145-2017-0024

Sequence Number	
1	Hazardous Waste Program files Disposition Authority Number: DAA-0145-2017-0024-0001

Records Schedule Items

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1	<p data-bbox="326 363 1445 406">Hazardous Waste Program files</p> <p data-bbox="326 427 1445 470">Disposition Authority Number DAA-0145-2017-0024-0001</p> <p data-bbox="326 480 1445 597">Program Information, site files, specific site files. Included are reports on grain storage facilities, ground water site tests, environmental response actions, investigation reports, and remediation actions taken by USDA.</p> <p data-bbox="326 608 1445 651">Final Disposition Temporary</p> <p data-bbox="326 661 1445 704">Item Status Active</p> <p data-bbox="326 715 1445 757">Is this item media neutral? Yes</p> <p data-bbox="326 768 1445 906">Do any of the records covered by this item currently exist in electronic format(s) other than e-mail and word processing? No</p> <p data-bbox="326 917 1445 959">Disposition Instruction</p> <p data-bbox="326 970 1445 1012">Cutoff Instruction Cutoff files at the end of the fiscal year.</p> <p data-bbox="326 1023 1445 1066">Retention Period Destroy 50 year(s) after cutoff</p> <p data-bbox="326 1076 1445 1119">Additional Information</p> <p data-bbox="326 1129 1445 1172">GAO Approval Not Required</p>

Agency Certification

I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal in this schedule are not now needed for the business of the agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified.

Signatory Information

Date	Action	By	Title	Organization
06/20/2017	Certify	Keith Holden	Records Officer	Farm Service Agency - Foreign Agricultural Service
06/22/2017	Return for Revision	Tom Cotter	Appraiser	National Archives and Records Administration - ACRA
06/26/2017	Submit For Certification	Debra Lackey	Records Analyst	FAS - FAS
06/26/2017	Certify	Keith Holden	Records Officer	Farm Service Agency - Foreign Agricultural Service
10/13/2017	Submit for Concurrence	John Hulmston	Senior Records Analyst	National Archives and Records Administration - ACRA
10/26/2017	Return to Submitter	Margaret Hawkins	Director of Records Management Services	National Records Management Program - ACNR Records Management Services
11/21/2017	Submit for Concurrence	John Hulmston	Senior Records Analyst	National Archives and Records Administration - ACRA
12/01/2017	Concur	Margaret Hawkins	Director of Records Management Services	National Records Management Program - ACNR Records Management Services
12/01/2017	Concur	Margaret Hawkins	Director of Records Management Services	National Records Management Program - ACNR Records Management Services
12/04/2017	Approve	David Ferriero	Archivist of the United States	Office of the Archivist - Office of the Archivist