

Arsenic levels are 7 times higher in the waste water pit in the SSS mine in Chippewa Co. Other heavy metals have also been found!



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**Superior Silica
Sands/Emerge
Energy in the
Town of Auburn in
Chippewa Co.
Wisconsin.**

It is under bankruptcy.

"The mud pond water samples show elevated levels of aluminum, arsenic, chromium, lead, and manganese which indicates a potential for exceedances of groundwater standards in Ch NR 140." Roberta Walls, WDNR Non-Metallic Mining Coordinator

"The DNR requests full disclosure of Chippewa

County and Superior Silica to determine compliance with stormwater, wastewater, solid waste, and hazardous waste regulations." Roberta Walls, WDNR Non-Metallic Mining Coordinator

Rich Kremer, investigative reporter with WPR, has again pursued the issues mentioned in #310 of the Frac Sand Sentinel and those particularly related to potential health issues with heavy metals reaching the aquifer, and some of the issues related to reclamation and the studies accomplished through UW-River Falls.

Please read this very important report at WPR at the following link:

<https://www.wpr.org/arsenic-levels-bankrupt-frac-sand-mine-7-times-higher-state-cleanup-standards>

The letter written by Ms. Walls to Dan Masterpole can be read by clicking on

[HERE](#)

More information on arsenic as reported by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

[AT THIS SITE](#)

Please pass this information on to your neighbors, friends and relatives particularly if you live near this mine. The Chippewa County Land Conservation and Forest Management Committee meets on Wednesday, December 18th at 5:00 p.m. at the Chippewa County Court House. You may want to attend to express your concerns during the Public Comment Time. It appears, according to the agenda, that discussion will take place at a later time in relationship to the newly developed Management/Long Range Plan that was developed and approved by the County Board over this past year.

Get involved! Listen and learn and ASK QUESTIONS.

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