



## PROJECT UPDATE

Revitalizing Auto Communities Environmental Response (RACER) Trust is issuing this Project Update to provide results of subsurface investigation activities recently completed to better characterize the presence of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) identified in groundwater along the western boundary of the former Fiero property. The presence of VOCs in groundwater is attributed to previous operations and activities associated with the former General Motors Corporation Fiero Assembly Plant (former Fiero property). Based on updates to Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) (formerly MDEQ) cleanup approach and related site-specific criteria established in 2020 for the former Fiero property, the concentration of trichloroethene (TCE), a VOC, in one monitoring well near the property boundary exceeds its respective Residential Media-Specific Volatilization to Indoor Air Interim Action Screening Level (RIASL).

In the August-September 2020, subsurface investigation and initial monitoring activities were completed in the south right-of-way (ROW) of East Kennett Road and the west ROW of St. Clair Street and in the western portion of the former Fiero property. These activities included installation of four groundwater monitoring wells and sampling of the four newly installed wells and seven previously installed wells (see figure). Work was completed under the oversight of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) in accordance with a work plan which was also reviewed and accepted by EGLE.

Results from the investigation have been provided to USEPA and EGLE for review and are available on RACER's website (see link below and download the file named 2020-10-09 – RACER Fiero VI Well Installation and Groundwater Monitoring Report).

VOC-impacted shallow groundwater has been found at low concentrations along and just off-site of the western boundary of the former Fiero property. Based on groundwater data collected both at the Site and off-site to date, potential risks from possible exposure associated with detected VOCs are either acceptable based on regulatory criteria or otherwise controlled. Shallow groundwater is not used as a source of drinking water in the area as water is supplied to the businesses and residences in the area by the Oakland County Water Resource Commission. In addition, there is no risk associated with direct contact with VOC-impacted groundwater and the results of initial off-site groundwater monitoring activities indicate that potential volatilization of VOCs from groundwater to indoor air does not pose unacceptable risks to residents. Groundwater monitoring will continue on a periodic basis to ensure that conditions are stable. When the monitoring data is available updates will be provided to USEPA and EGLE and will be available on RACER Trust's website (see link below) for other interested parties.

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