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East Palestine, Ohio Train Derailment

EPA is committed to protecting the health and safety of the East Palestine, Ohio community.

EPA personnel have been on site since the onset of the train derailment, supporting local and state partners as they lead on-the-ground response efforts.

June 20, 2023

- Replacement of the north track was completed on June 16. The north and south tracks operated over the weekend with slow traffic. The south track closed on June 19 to complete remaining excavation activities near the N. Pleasant Drive crossing.
- EPA and Norfolk Southern continue to conduct air monitoring in the work zone and in the surrounding community. Vapor suppressants are being used to control odors around the work area. Perimeter air monitoring stations are located around the rail work zone. Sheet piling is being installed to excavate near the track safely without affecting the integrity of the railway.
- Read our [NEW latest newsletter](https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/newsletter-east-palestine-train-derailment-response-6-20-2023) <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/newsletter-east-palestine-train-derailment-response-6-20-2023>>.
- Read the complete update: [Updates from East Palestine, June 20, 2023 \(pdf\)](https://epa.gov/system/files/documents/2023-06/6.20.23%20eptd%20jic%20media%20update%20final.pdf) <<https://epa.gov/system/files/documents/2023-06/6.20.23%20eptd%20jic%20media%20update%20final.pdf>> (169.41 KB)

Previous Updates <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/daily-updates>>

Background

At about 8:55 PM ET on February 3, 2023, a Norfolk Southern freight train derailed in East Palestine, Ohio, about a quarter-mile west of the Ohio-Pennsylvania state line.

Twenty of the affected cars contained hazardous materials, including vinyl chloride, ethylene glycol, ethylhexyl acrylate, butyl acrylate and isobutylene.

More Background Information <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/background>>



Air

- **Air Monitoring and Sampling Data** <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/air-monitoring-and-sampling-data>>

Soil

- **Soil and Sediment Sampling Data** <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/soil-and-sediment>>

Water

- **Water Sampling Data** <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/water-sampling-data>>

Resources for Residents

Learn more about all resources available for East Palestine area residents <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/resources-affected-residents>>

- **EPA Information Line:** 330-775-6517
- **EPA Community Welcome Center in East Palestine:** 25 North Market St., Mon-Fri.: 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Sunday: closed
- **Information Repository:** East Palestine Memorial Public Library, 309 N. Market Street, East Palestine, Ohio 44413. M-Th. 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Fri-Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- **East Palestine Train Derailment Local Area Resident Inquiry** <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/forms/east-palestine-train-derailment-local-area-resident>>
- **Press Inquiries**
- **News Releases** <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/news-releases>>

- Trace Atmospheric Gas Analyzer
<<https://epa.gov/oh/about-air-monitoring-east-palestine-ohio-train-derailment#taga>>
- EPA's Soil Sampling Results
<<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/epa-residential-commercial-and-agricultural-soil-sampling>>
- Soil Sampling Plan
<<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/legal-and-other-documents#smpp>>
- Public Drinking Water Test Results [🔗](https://epa.ohio.gov/monitor-pollution/pollution-issues/east-palestine)
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Frequently Asked Questions

Now that the track is rebuilt, what else needs to be done and how long will it take? <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/now-track-rebuilt-what-else-needs-be-done-and-how-long-will-it>>

What is the plume map and what does it tell us? <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/what-plume-map-and-what-does-it-tell-us>>

If I have concerns about wildlife, who do I contact? <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/if-i-have-concerns-about-wildlife-who-do-i-contact>>

Did drinking water samples from the American Legion in East Palestine have detections of vinyl chloride? <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/did-drinking-water-samples-american-legion-east-palestine-have>>

Can smoke from the Canadian wildfires cause health concerns?
<<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/can-smoke-canadian-wildfires-cause-health-concerns>>

See all questions <<https://epa.gov/east-palestine-oh-train-derailment/frequently-asked-questions>>

Unified Command and Assisting Agencies

Unified Command:

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- Columbiana County Emergency Management Agency
- Village of East Palestine
- Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
- Norfolk Southern Corporation

Cooperating and Assisting Agencies include:

- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
- Ohio Emergency Management Agency
- Ohio Department of Health
- Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission
- Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
- Beaver County Emergency Management Agency
- Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency
- Pennsylvania Department of Health
- Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture
- Ohio Department of Agriculture
- West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection

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