Site History Worksheet

*Attach a map of the site and its relationship to residences, schools, parks, water sources, etc.*

**Key Facts**
- Past uses of site
- Ownership of site
- Employment at site
- EPA involvement
- Critical decisions and significant actions
- Key dates in the future

**Government Structure**
- Local government type
- Key political players
- Community’s past involvement with government/agencies

**Community Description**
- Geographic boundaries
- Total population density
- Commuting populations
- Age distribution of residents
Education level ________________________________________________________________

Ethnic mix ________________________________________________________________

Languages spoken __________________________________________________________

Socioeconomic status _______________________________________________________

Religious groups ___________________________________________________________

Interests _________________________________________________________________

Characteristics

  ____ Immediate neighborhood
  ____ Schools/childcare facilities
  ____ Community buildings (churches)
  ____ Office buildings/work facilities
  ____ Parks and recreation areas
  ____ Wildlife/natural resource areas
  ____ Community medical facilities
  ____ Additional industries in area
  ____ Other potential sources of pollution

Community Concerns

Health concerns ___________________________________________________________

Environmental concerns ___________________________________________________

Economic concerns _________________________________________________________

Legal concerns ___________________________________________________________

Unmet needs for information, education, or training _____________________________

Perceived lack of response to concerns _______________________________________

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What does the community know about the site? __________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________
What gaps exist in the community’s knowledge? _________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________
What does the community want to know? _______________________________________________
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What attitudes/beliefs do community members hold that may *negatively* affect their willingness to
engage in preventive actions or community collaborations? ________________________________
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What attitudes/beliefs do community members hold that may *positively* affect their willingness to
engage in preventive actions or community collaborations? ________________________________
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What are community members doing that puts them at risk? _______________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________

What can community members do to protect themselves from site-related hazards?________
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__________________________________________________________________________________
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**Community Organizations and Contacts**

Environmental ______________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________

Business __________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________

Social ____________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________________________

Religious __________________________________________________________________________
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**Community Leaders**

Elected____________________________________________________________________________
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Nonelected__________________________________________________________________________
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Site Publicity

News coverage

Visibility of site

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