

The Region 5 Regional Response Team developed Tribal Emergency Response Fact Sheets to provide emergency responders with important government contacts and information related to areas of Tribal interest. Responders are encouraged to view this information in combination with the GIS-based emergency response tools on RRT5.org.

To access these tools, visit rrt5.org/InteractiveMapping or reach out to RRT5 Coordinator Barbi Lee at Lee.Barbi@epa.gov.

White Earth Band of Chippewa Emergency Response Fact Sheet

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Becker, Clearwater, Mahnomen Counties, Minnesota
Reservation and Trust Land Map(s)

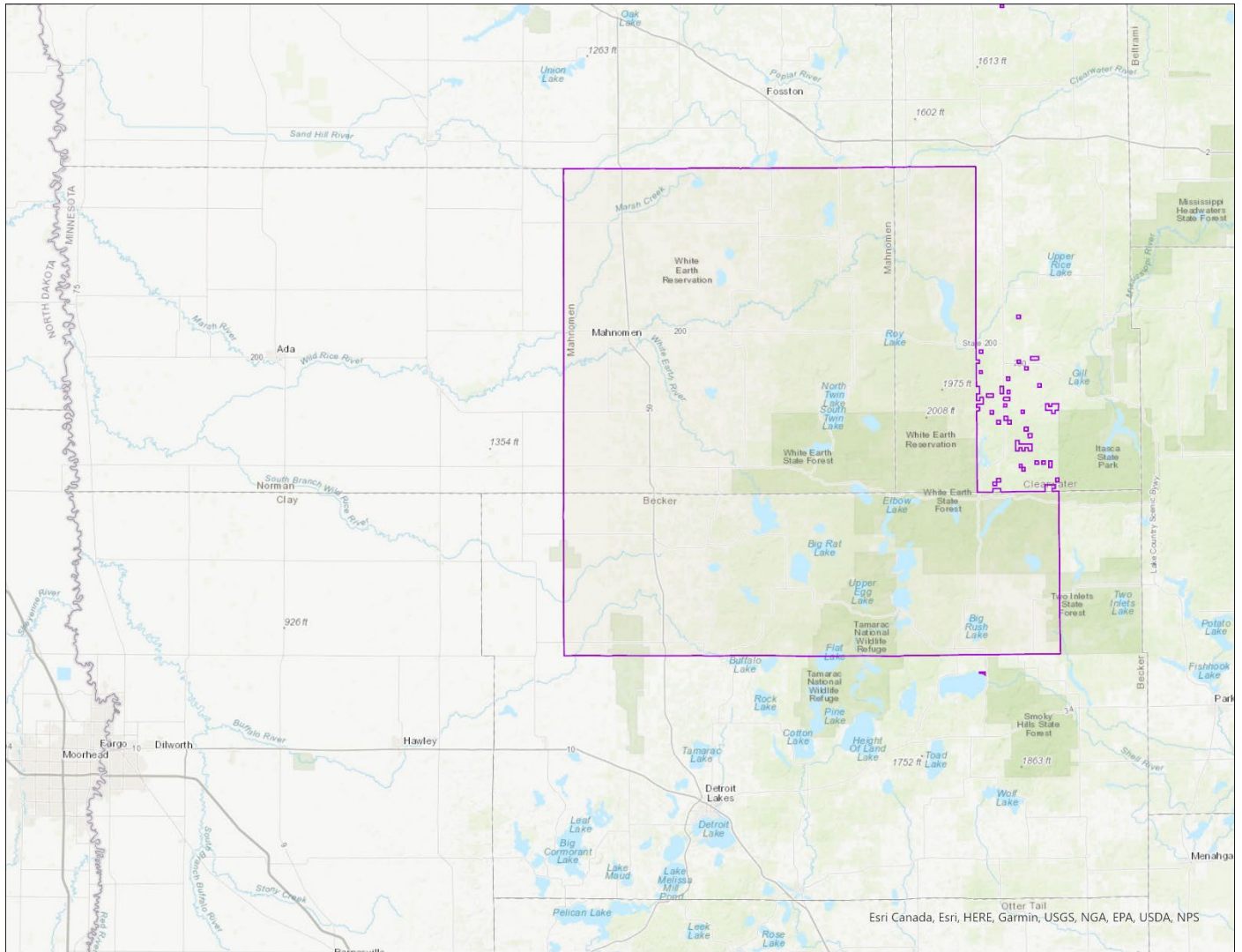


Image of White Earth Reservation and trust lands.

Fact Sheet: White Earth Band of Chippewa Indians

Becker, Clearwater, Mahnomen Counties, Minnesota

Key Information

National Response Center (staffed 24 hours): 800-424-8802 MN Pollution Emergency Alert System Hotline: 651-649-5451 MN State Police, District 2900: 218-846-8260 MN State Police, District 3200: 218-683-8410 MN Dept of Health, Emergency Preparedness and Response - 651-201-5700 MN Department of Health Division of Environmental Health: 651-201-4571 MN Pollution Control Agency: 800-657-3864 EPA Region 5 Spill Line (staffed 24 hours): (312) 353-2318 EPA Area OSC: Allen Jarrell Office: (312) 353-5490 Cell: (617) 312-4717 E-Mail: Jarrell.allen@epa.gov EPA Planning OSC: Barbi Lee lee.barbi@epa.gov EPA Region 5 Tribal Liaison: Melanie Nowin Office: 312-353-9199 Nowin.Melanie@epa.gov	CONTACTS
	Emergency: 911 Tribal Emergency Response Manager: Edward Snetsinger, 218-935-3648, Ed.Snetsinger@whiteearth-nsn.gov Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO): William Chinana, 218-935-3951, william.chinana@whiteearth-nsn.gov Tribal Environmental Program Director: Dustin Roy, Natural Resources Director, 218-935-3980, Dustin.roy@whiteearth-nsn.gov White Earth Dispatch: 218-983-3281 White Earth Health Services
	LAND DESCRIPTION
	County FIPS Codes: MN.27.005 [Becker]; MN.27.029 [Clearwater]; MN.27.087 [Mahnomen] Land Area: 1,296 sq mi Estimated Population: 9,562 Major Industries: Tourism, Gaming, Government Major Rail Lines: CP/KC Railway Major Roadways: US Hwy 59, MN Hwy 200, MN Hwy 113, MN Hwy 92 Major Towns: Bejou, Mahnomen, Naytahwaush, Ogema, Waubun, White Earth, Pine Point Major Water Bodies: Wild Rice River, White Earth River, Buffalo River, Ottertail River Ports: N/A
	CLOSEST HOSPITALS WITH TRAUMA CENTERS
	Mahnomen Health Center (Level IV): 414 W Jefferson Ave., Mahnomen, MN 56557, (218) 935-2511
	OTHER HOSPITALS
	Essentia Health St. Mary's (Level III): 1027 Washington Ave., Detroit Lakes, MN 56501, (218) 847-5611 Essentia Health Fargo (Level II): 3000 32nd Ave. S, Fargo, ND 58104, (701) 364-8000 Sanford Medical Center Fargo (Level I/II): 801 Broadway, Fargo, ND 58122 701-234-2000
	CLOSEST BURN UNIT
	Hennepin County Medical Center: 716 South 7th Street, Minneapolis, MN, (612) 873-2912
	APPLICABLE RESPONSE PLANS
	Federal: Region 5 Regional Contingency Plan/Area Contingency Plan State: Minnesota All-Hazards Response and Recovery Plan (November 2024) Tribes: Mahnomen/White Earth Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (not-public) County / Other: • Becker County Emergency Operations Plan (2017) • Becker County Hazard Mitigation Plan (2016)

Electric Utilities: Wild Rice Electric Cooperative: (800) 244-5709 Otter Tail Power Company: (800) 257-4044; (218) 739-8877 Clearwater Polk Electric Coop.: (888) 694-3833; (218) 694-6241 Itasca Mantrap Coop Electric Association: (888) 713-3377; (218) 732-3377 Gas Utilities: --- Company: Pipelines: https://www.npms.phmsa.dot.gov/PublicViewer Gas: --- Company: <u>Hazardous Liquids</u> Company: --- Types of Facilities: FRP: None known NPDES: 10 within boundaries RCRA: 29 within boundaries RMP: 2 within 5 miles SARA Title III: None known SPCC: None known TRI: None known Water Intakes (Industrial): None known Tribal Water Utilities: White Earth Nation Public Works: (218) 983-3202 City of Mahnomen: (218) 935-2573 City of Callaway: (218) 375-4691	SENSITIVE AREAS Culturally Sensitive Areas: Contact THPO listed above Environmentally Sensitive Areas: List (e.g. lakes, wetlands, biodiversity significance, etc.) Lower Rice Lake Area Santee Prairie Scientific Natural Area <u>Wildlife Management Areas:</u> Tamarac National Wildlife Refuge Hamden Slough National Wildlife Refuge <u>Drinking Water Intakes:</u> System See the Inland Sensitivity Atlas for more information. Economically Sensitive Areas: Shooting Star Casino Mahnomen: (800) 453-7827 SOURCES OF RESPONSE EQUIPMENT --- HAZMAT TEAMS Level I Awareness: (Mahnomen FD, Waubun FD, Twin Lakes Vol. FD, Ogema FD, Callaway FD, White Earth FD, Fosston FD, Bagley FD, Elbow Tulaby FD, Carsonville FD) Chemical Assessment Team: Moorhead Fire Department (218) 299-5432 FACILITIES See rrt5.org/InteractiveMapping/StateMaps to access data on facility type and location. MUNICIPAL WWTP Mahnomen WWTP: 104 W Madison Ave., Mahnomen, MN 56557; (218) 935-2677 or (218) 556-1660
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Appendix

Acronym List

FIPS - Federal Information Processing Standards. FIPS codes are numbers which uniquely identify geographic areas. The number of digits in FIPS codes vary depending on the level of geography. State-level FIPS codes have two digits, county-level FIPS codes have five digits of which the first two are the FIPS code of the state to which the county belongs.

FRP - Facility Response Plan. Facilities that could reasonably be expected to cause "substantial harm" to the environment by discharging oil into or on navigable waters are required to prepare and submit Facility Response Plans (FRPs). FRPs are submitted to the appropriate EPA Region dependent on the location of the facility. Local/Tribal Emergency Planning Committees (L/TEPC) and State Emergency Response Commissions (SERCs) may request a copy of the FRP from an owner or operator.

NPDES - National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System. The NPDES program authorizes point source discharges of pollutants to waters of the United States. The term pollutant is defined very broadly in the Clean Water Act and includes any type of industrial, municipal, and agricultural waste discharged into water.

OSC – On-Scene Coordinator. OSCs are the federal officials responsible for monitoring or directing responses to all oil spills and hazardous substance releases reported to the federal government. An OSC is an agent of either EPA or the U.S. Coast Guard, depending on where the incident occurs. EPA's OSCs have primary responsibility for spills and releases to inland areas and waters. U.S. Coast Guard's OSCs have responsibility for coastal waters and the Great Lakes.

POC – Point of Contact. An individual that can serve as a primary contact for an organization or program.

PPE – Personally Protective Equipment. PPE is equipment worn to minimize exposure to hazards that cause serious injuries and illnesses. Examples of PPE may include items such as gloves, safety glasses and shoes, respirators, and full body suits. Different levels of PPE may be recommended based on the potential exposure to hazardous materials.

RCRA – Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. RCRA gives EPA the authority to control hazardous waste during its many phases, including the generation, transportation, treatment, storage, and disposal of hazardous waste. RCRA also set forth a framework for the management of non-hazardous solid wastes. RCRA mainly applies to active facilities, although under certain conditions, it can address abandoned and inactive facilities.

RMP – Risk Management Program. The RMP rule requires facilities that use extremely hazardous substances to develop a Risk Management Plan.

RRT5 – Regional Response Team, Region 5. The RRT acts as a regional planning and coordination body for preparedness and response actions. The RRT5 is co-chaired by the US Coast Guard Ninth District and US Environmental Protection Agency Region V. Preparedness activities are carried out in conjunction with appropriate State Emergency Response Committees, Area Committees, Local Emergency Planning Committees and Tribal Councils and emergency programs.

SARA Title III – Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act Title III. SARA Title III establishes requirements regarding emergency planning and "Community Right-to-Know" (EPCRA) reporting on hazardous and toxic chemicals for federal, state, local, and Tribal governments, as well as regulated facilities. Facilities subject to EPCRA must comply with some primary requirements for planning, pollution prevention, emergency release notification and toxic chemical release inventory reporting.

SPCC - Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure. The Oil Pollution Prevention regulation sets forth requirements for the prevention of, preparedness for, and response to oil discharges at specific non-transportation-related facilities. The regulation requires facilities to develop and implement Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure Plans and establishes procedures, methods, and equipment requirements.

THPO – Tribal Historic Preservation Officer. A THPO advises federal, state and local agencies on the management of Tribal historic properties and instruct municipalities on National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 reviews to represent Tribal interests.

TRI – Toxics Release Inventory. Certain facilities are required to report to the TRI Program if they meet specific threshold criteria. The TRI is a resource for learning about toxic chemical releases and pollution prevention activities reported by such facilities.

WWTP – Wastewater Treatment Plant. A WWTP Wastewater treatment plants process water from homes and businesses, which contains nitrogen and phosphorus from human waste, food and certain soaps and detergents. EPA regulates the discharge and treatment of wastewater under the Clean Water Act (CWA). The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) issues permits to all wastewater dischargers and treatment facilities.

Data Resources

Tribe website: whiteearth.com

Region 5 Response Team Inland Sensitivity Atlas (ISA): response.epa.gov/ISA

Region 5 Response Team Stakeholder and Government Maps: rrt5.org/InteractiveMapping/StateMaps

FEMA Resilience Analysis and Planning Tool (RAPT): fema.gov/about/reports-and-data/resilience-analysis-planning-tool

U.S. Energy Atlas: atlas.eia.gov/pages/energy-maps

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency: pca.state.mn.us

Minnesota State Police: dps.mn.gov/node/1807

Minnesota Department of Health: health.state.mn.us

Becker County Emergency Management: co.becker.mn.us/dept/emergency_management

Clearwater County Emergency Management: clearwatercountymn.gov/emergency

Mahnomen County Sheriff: co.mahnomen.mn.us/departments/departments_i_z/sheriff/index

Update Log

The majority of information in this document was compiled using publicly available sources of information (shown in the [Data Resources](#) section). EPA staff attempt to review the information in this document for accuracy at least once a year and such dates of verification will be reflected in the Update Log below. Persons of relevant authority for the entities listed in this document are asked to notify the Region 5 Superfund and Emergency Management Division Tribal Coordinator Jamie Stoik (Stoik.Jamie@epa.gov) or their [Region 5 EPA Tribal Liaison](#) with updated information as it is known.

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Summary of Changes	Added contact information for Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO).
Reviewer	Jamie Stoik, Program Analyst, Environmental Protection Agency

Date	November 20, 2025
Summary of Changes	Added contact information based on Tribe, State, and County website(s); updated EPA contact information; updated Data Resources; tested links.
Reviewer	Jamie Stoik, Program Analyst, Environmental Protection Agency