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1 Please comment on the results of the recent SLPWA/FLI study on PFAS levels around Seneca Lake, and on the findings that the three highest results came from creeks originating in or near the former Seneca Army Depot:

ANS: The Army/USACE will not comment on external studies as they were not conducted within our purview nor were they evaluated by our quality control standards or data quality objectives prior to release. We're currently conducting three PFAS/PFOA studies within the boundary of the former Army base:

- ▶ A remedial Investigation for the four (4) known sites where historical fire-fighting activities took place at the site;
- ▶ A site investigation of 34 other areas of potential concern. This is the first step in the CERCLA process for these types of investigations to determine which sites will need a remedial investigation and which sites show no presence of PFOA/PFAS;
- ▶ Whole-base background study that encompasses PFAS/PFOA and other contaminants of concern across the entire former base.

2 Previously, the Army rejected EPA requests to test waters in Kendaia Creek. Does the recent study change the Army's stance?

ANS: This was misinterpreted on the EPA's website, which has now been corrected. The Army/USACE did not reject any request for sampling. Our focus is on sampling within the boundary of the former base. If results show migration to off-base receptors – then and only then – would the Army/USACE pursue those sampling efforts.

3 Does the Army plan to conduct tests of water or fish in Kendaia? Reeder or Indian creeks downstream of the depot's border (between the depot border and Seneca Lake)? If not, please explain why.

ANS: See answer above.