

# Midvale Slag



## **Introduction:**

The 446-acre Midvale Slag Superfund Site is located 12 miles south of Salt Lake City in Midvale City, with a small portion extending into Murray City. The site is a former smelting facility that processed copper and lead ores from Bingham Canyon and other mines. Five separate smelters were located on or near the site from 1906 to 1958. An adjacent mill continued operating until 1971.

Investigations at the site showed groundwater and soils contaminated with heavy metals. In 1991, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), listed the Midvale Slag Superfund Site on the National Priorities List (NPL), commonly known as the list of Superfund sites. Under the superfund program, contamination that poses a current or future threat to human health or the environment is cleaned up.

## Documents:

A Health Consultation (HC) was conducted for the smelter site and surrounding area. The HC was completed in 1993.

- **Health Consultation**



- The HC evaluated the potential for long-term health impacts in the community.
- Children living in this area should have their blood-lead levels tested.
  - [Utah Department of Health, Lead Poisoning Prevention Program](#)

## Contaminants

- [Arsenic](#)
- [Cadmium](#)
- [Lead](#)

## Additional Information

- [Salt Lake County Health Department](#)
- [Environmental Protection Agency - Midvale Slag](#)