

# Army Corps to clean up contaminants

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for the final implementation stage will be planned.

"The corps have indicated that they will expedite," Krepel said.

The corps will take the remedial investigation stage in "operable units," he said, during which some cleanup of pollutants will occur while the investigation is going on.

The corps will focus on soilwater cleanup in the remedial investigation stage, he said.

Groundwater cleanup could take decades, he said.

Hanley said the corps will examine the long-range effect of the leak-

age on the groundwater supply in the underground aquifer, or water reservoir, in its investigation.

Hanley said the contamination could have occurred at any time since the facility opened during World War II. Thus, he said, it is difficult to identify who is responsible for some of the leakage.

"Explosives (RDX) contamination is directly attributable to operation of the facility," Krepel said.

But the other pollutants (TCE and PCB) could have leaked since the defense department sold the site to the university, he said.

"They (DOD) didn't just shut off the lights and walk away" when the land was sold, Krepel said, so it is

hard to determine when the leakage occurred.

"We're not terribly worried about how it got there," he said. "We just want to clean it up."

Cleanup efforts would be helped if the corps can find out where the contamination started, Hanley said.

"If we can locate the source, we can cut some losses," he said.

Krepel said the university assumes that the corps will cover the cost of the cleanup.

Hanley said funds for the cleanup will come from the "defense department equivalent of Superfund."

Superfund is the EPA's fund for cleanup of environmental contamination.

# UNL Police Chief Gade to retire in August

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After two decades of serving the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, UNL Police Chief Gail Gade will retire from his post in August.

Gade will leave a career in law enforcement that began 42 1/2 years ago.

In 1946, the Lincoln police department hired Gade, then a UNL football player, as a part-time police officer. Gade said he returned the following summer and "decided law enforcement was my field."

He served with the city police department as a foot patrolman, radar unit operator, motorcycle operator, street sergeant and juvenile officer. Before taking over the UNL Police Department, Gade was in charge of the Lincoln Police Department's juvenile division.

Gade's career as UNL police chief began May 1, 1969, a day he said was the worst in his career.

"That year, students were being arrested all over the country," he said. "It was happening at Berkeley and Kansas State. It happened here, too."

After the student uprisings, campus police departments were made more professional, he said.

"Now we have good equipment, well-trained officers. We fit in with the college environment," Gade said.

When Gade began his career, there were 13 officers on the UNL police force. Now the force has 30 officers, six staff members and a group of students serving as security

and parking control personnel.

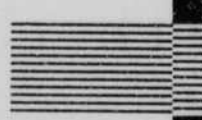
Gade said he has enjoyed being part of the university system and having the honor of being in charge of the department.

He said he decided to retire in August because he will be 65.

"I guess that's kind of the magic number," Gade said.

After retiring, Gade said, he plans to sleep late, work on some hobbies, do volunteer work and travel.

"I'll probably be baby-sitting for my two sons, too," Gade said.




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