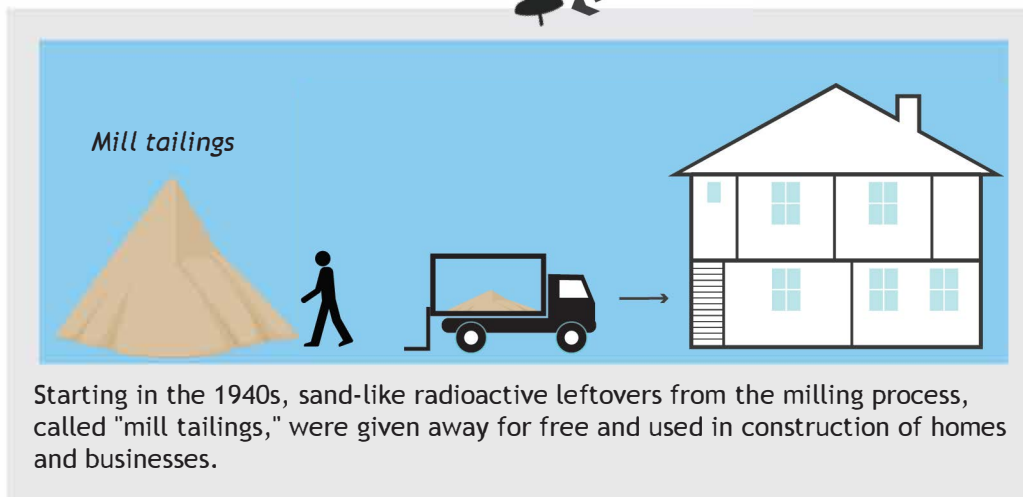
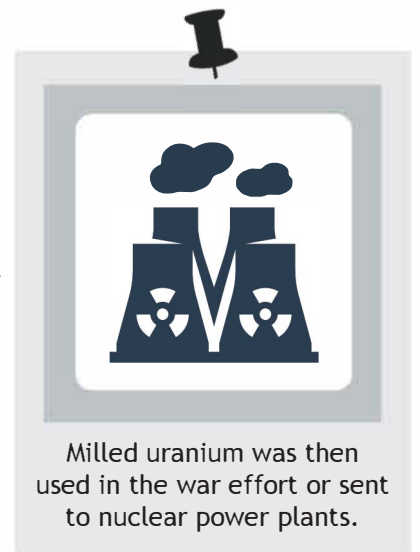


The Uranium Mill Tailings Story

How uranium mill tailings may have ended up in your home.

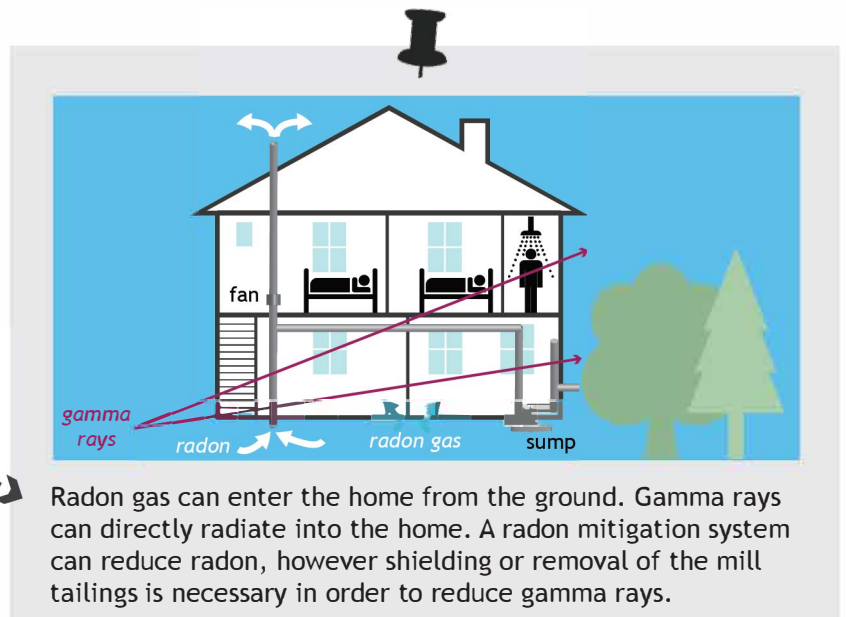


Uranium mill tailings can be found in Garfield, Gunnison, La Plata, Mesa, Moffat, Montrose and San Miguel counties. A cleanup program was conducted but some tailings still remain. CDPHE maintains records of these tailings.

If you would like to check your home or for more information, please contact CDPHE at 970-248-7164.



The tailings contain **radium**, a radioactive material that gives off both **gamma rays** (high-energy X-rays) and **radon gas** as it breaks down. Both of these can cause cancer.



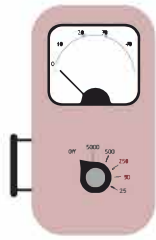
COLORADO
Department of Public Health & Environment

(970) 248-7164 | milltailings@state.co.us

So you may have Uranium Mill Tailings. Now what?

1

Borrow a meter from us:



We'll show you how to use it.
Come to 222 S. 6th Street Room 232
Grand Junction, Colorado.
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Estimate where and how much there is.
We will explain how.



Discuss options with us.

2

Decide if you want to:
Hire someone to remove the
tailings



We have a list of contractors we have
recently worked with to get you started.

or

Remove the tailings yourself



- Use a dust mask.
- Wash hands & clothes.
- Don't eat, smoke, chew or drink while digging.
- Moisten soil to decrease chance of windblown tailings.
- Load the tailings into a truck, trailer or buckets.

3

Call us to come check the tailings removal.
(970) 248-7164

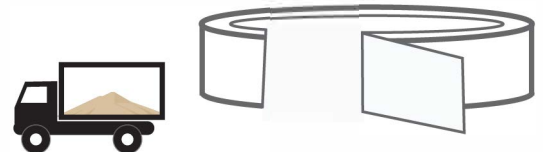


Haul tailings to interim storage cell (by appointment only). While we work to establish an interim storage facility in Durango, you will need to take the uranium mill tailings to Grand Junction for disposal.

Tarp them to prevent windblown debris.



We will visit your property to check that all tailings are removed. We will also update your property records.



There is no disposal fee, but please call us 2-3 days prior between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to schedule disposal.



COLORADO

Department of Public
Health & Environment

(970) 248-7164 | milltailings@state.co.us

July 2019