THE FIVE STEPS OF THE ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW

BEFORE
1 CONFIRM PARTICIPATION
You will be contacted to confirm your interest and schedule a day, time, and location for your interview.

DURING
2 OBTAIN CONSENT
Before starting, the researcher will go over the project consent form. It contains information about the study, transfer of copyright, and use of study materials.

3 ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW
You will tell your story and experience related to the Superfund site and community. Follow-up questions will be asked. The interview will be recorded as well as photographs collected.

AFTER
4 REVIEW RECORDING
The researcher will provide the recording and transcript of your interview. You can at this time clarify or modify what has been captured.

5 ORAL HISTORY PRODUCTS
The interview materials will be placed in a library and on-line. The researcher will work with you to identify and develop a product that disseminates the oral histories to a broader audience.

YOU WILL RECEIVE REGULAR UPDATES
The goal is to preserve the life stories of individuals who work and live near Superfund* sites by using oral history.

*A federally managed area containing hazardous substances that are dangerous to humans and the environment.

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