

Controversies: The Mosaic Company

- In October 2021, Mosaic reported an unauthorised [discharge of about 6 million gallons of turbid water from its phosphate mine](#) in Florida. The water spilled into a nearby creek.
- In August 2021, a phosphoric acid tank in Mosaic's New Wales, Florida fertiliser plant failed, resulting in [a spill of 1,700 tons of acid](#), most of which was contained within another holding tank.
- In May 2020, central Florida homeowners [sued the Mosaic Company over radiation health risks](#) from phosphate mining. [The plaintiffs accused](#) Mosaic and two property developers of failing to disclose the presence of dangerous radiation contamination in and around the neighbourhoods, causing residents to be exposed to gamma radiation levels beyond what is deemed safe for humans.
- In October 2019, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection [launched an investigation into a seepage problem](#) at one of the companies massive phosphogypsum stacks.
- In May 2018, The Mosaic Company [declared that reparations of a massive sinkhole](#) close to the company's plant in Mulberry, Florida, were complete. The repairs took two years and cost the company 84 million USD. While incomplete, the sinkhole sent 215 million of gallons of contaminated water into an aquifer.
- In October 2015, The Mosaic Company [settled a lawsuit for almost 2 billion USD](#). A very large sum. The settlement concerned an agreement to properly store and dispose more than 60 billion pounds of hazardous waste at six Mosaic facilities in Florida and two in Louisiana. Mosaic Fertilizer also agreed to establish a \$630 million trust fund, which would be invested until it reached full funding of \$1.8 billion.
- Between 2012 and 2021, The Mosaic Company [paid more than 823 millions of USD in fines for 19 environmental violations](#), according to the violation tracker project of Good Jobs First.