



FACT SHEET

State Superfund Program

Site Name: FMC Corporation
DEC Site #: 932014
Address: 100 Niagara Street
Middleport, NY 14105

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DEC ANNOUNCES PLAN TO TEST SOIL IN ROY HART SCHOOL PROPERTY

A soil sampling event will be conducted by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) at the Royalton-Hartland CSD property in Middleport, NY to evaluate soil conditions on this property.

The school yard has been sampled before and a partial soil removal was performed in 1996 and 1999 in the vicinity of the football field. This additional sampling is necessary in order to fully define the extent of the arsenic contamination on the remainder of the property and to determine exactly what needs to be removed to completely address the school property as identified in the DEC issued remedial plan ("Final Statement of Basis" (FSOB) dated May 2013. Previous sampling has indicated arsenic levels in the soil that exceed the site-specific cleanup level for arsenic of 20 parts per million (ppm).

The sampling program will require approximately four days to complete. DEC and its contractor will use a small truck or van mounted sampling apparatus that will minimize damage to the fields. Any damage to the fields that may result will be repaired. The DEC will work with the school administration to schedule the sampling during the current summer break.

Once the soil samples are collected and analyzed, the results will be used to determine the extent of soil excavation required for the school property. This new information will be conveyed directly to the school board and community. New York State will be paying for the soil sampling and analyses; there will be no cost to the school district.

The school property is located on the south side of State Street in Middleport, the FMC Corporation is due south of the school property, and Alfred Street is to the west of the school.

BACKGROUND: In May 2013 the DEC, in consultation with the New York State Department of Health, issued a "Final Statement of Basis" that set forth the decision made regarding the cleanup of the Roy Hart School and a number of other mostly residential properties (~200) that are north, west and east of the FMC property in the Village of Middletown. That decision document indicated that soil contaminated above the site-specific cleanup level for arsenic of 20 parts per million (ppm) must be cleaned up, with some flexibility. After the DEC issued the document DEC initiated negotiations with FMC, the responsible party. DEC attempted to reach agreement on sampling and investigation of school and FMC has refused to do that work.

We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.

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Royalton Hartland Community Library

9 South Vernon Street
Middleport, NY 14105

Phone: 716-735-3281

Project documents are also available on the NYSDEC website at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/82611.html>

WHO TO CONTACT:

Comments and questions are always welcome and should be directed as follows:

Project Related Questions:

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