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Where to Find Information:

Project documents are available at the following location(s) to help the public stay informed.

Queens Library at Broadway
40-20 Broadway
Long Island City, NY 11103
(718) 721-2462

Queens Community Board 1
45-02 Ditmars Boulevard
Astoria, NY 11105
(718) 626-1021

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For more information about New York's
Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit:
www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Northern Blvd and Steinway Street
36-20 Steinway Street
L.I.C., NY 11101

May 2018

SITE No. C241198
NYSDEC REGION 2

Remedy Proposed for Brownfield Site Contamination; Public Comment Period Announced

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) is reviewing the Remedial Investigation Report and Remedial Work Plan for the Northern Blvd and Steinway Street site ("site") located at 36-20 Steinway Street, Long Island City, NY. Please see the map for the site location. Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the location(s) identified to the left under "Where to Find Information."

Remedial Investigation Report: The Remedial Investigation Report (RIR) describes the results of the site investigation and recommends development of a remedy to address the contamination that was found. The RIR was submitted by Steinway Street LIC, LLC ("Applicant").

Highlights of the Remedial Investigation Report: Soil and groundwater samples were collected and analyzed for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), metals, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), and pesticides. The primary contaminants of concern at the site are SVOCs and metals, which are present site-wide in soil and groundwater and are likely the result of past site uses and historic fill. Soil contamination was primarily found in shallow soils across the site. Two chlorinated VOCs (CVOCs) compounds were detected in the groundwater slightly above groundwater standards, both up-and down gradient of the site.

Next Steps: The public is invited to comment on a Proposed Remedial Work Plan being reviewed by the NYSDEC to address contamination related to the Northern Blvd and Steinway Street site.

Based on the findings of the investigation, NYSDEC in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) has determined that the site does not pose a significant threat to public health or the environment.

How to Comment: NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed remedial plan for 45 days, from **May 23** through **July 9, 2018**. The proposed plan is available for public review at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information." Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area at left.

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Draft Remedial Work Plan: The proposed Unrestricted Use remedy consists of:

- Excavation and off-site disposal of on-site soils to achieve Unrestricted Use Soil Cleanup Objectives (UUSCO). Appropriate off-site disposal of all materials removed from the site in accordance with all Federal, State and local rules and regulations for handling, transport, and disposal;
- Collection and analysis of end-point soil samples to evaluate the effectiveness of the remedy;
- Importation of clean soil that meets the established Soil Cleanup Objectives for use as backfill to establish the design grade at site;
- Installation of the site cover, if necessary; and
- Imposition of an institutional control in the form of an Environmental Easement and a Site Management Plan for the property, if needed.

The proposed remedy was developed by Steinway Street LIC, LLC ("applicant") after performing a detailed investigation of the site under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). A "Remedial Investigation Report", which describes the results of the site is also available for review at the locations identified on Page 1.

Next Steps: NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the cleanup plan as necessary, and issue a final Decision Document. NYSDOH must concur with the proposed remedy. After approval, the proposed remedy becomes the selected remedy. The applicant(s) may then design and perform the cleanup action to address the site contamination, with oversight by NYSDEC and NYSDOH.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Site Description: The site is located in an urban area and denoted on New York City tax maps as Block 665, Lot 34 (formerly Lots 5, 7, 31, 34, and 38). The site is located on the city block bordered by 38th Street to the north, 36th Avenue to the east, Steinway Street to the south, and Northern Boulevard to the west. The site encompasses an area of approximately 49,412 square feet (1.134 acres). No buildings currently occupy the site.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the Site ID, C241198) at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/xtapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>

Brownfield Cleanup Program: New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) encourages the voluntary cleanup of contaminated properties known as "brownfields" so that they can be reused and redeveloped. These uses may include recreation, housing, business or other uses. A brownfield site is any real property where a contaminant is present at levels exceeding the soil cleanup objectives or other health-based or environmental standards, criteria or guidance adopted by DEC that are applicable based on the reasonably anticipated use of the property, in accordance with applicable regulations.

For more information about the BCP, visit:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html>

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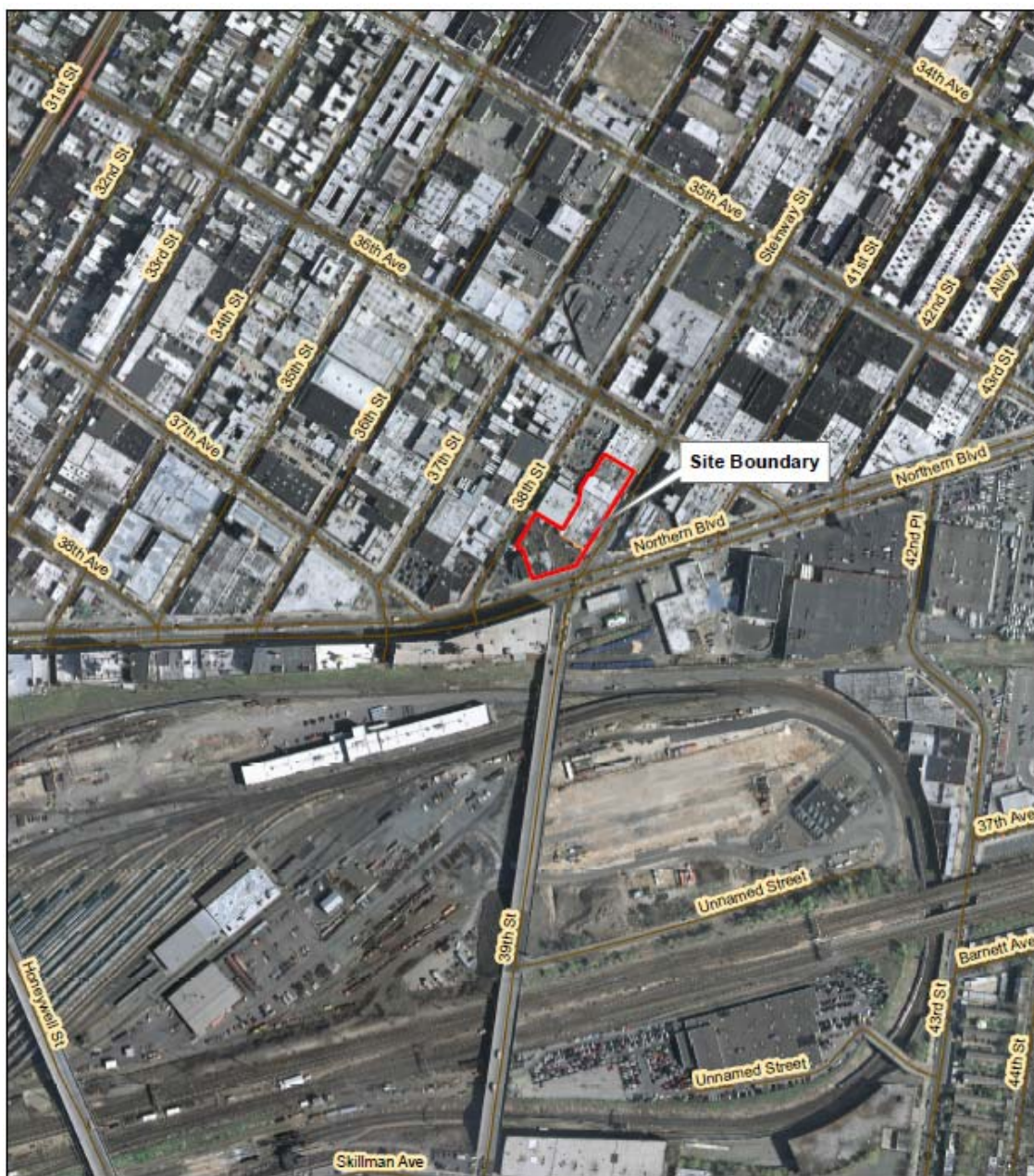
www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

It's quick, it's free, and it will help keep you better informed. As a listserv member, you will periodically receive site-related information/ announcements for all contaminated sites in the county(ies) you select.

Note: Please disregard if you already have signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.

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Site Location Map



Site Map

Northern Boulevard and Steinway Street
36-20 Steinway Street
Queens, NY
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