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**Where to Find Information:**

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

**Central Library of Rochester and  
Monroe County**  
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For more information about New York's  
Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit:  
[www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html)

# FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Former Sherwood Shoe Company  
625 South Goodman Street  
Rochester, New York

**SITE No. C828201**

**NYSDEC REGION 8**

**September 2019**

## Remedy Proposed for Brownfield Site Contamination; Public Comment Period Announced

The public is invited to comment on a proposed remedy being reviewed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), to address contamination related to the Former Sherwood Shoe Company site ("site") located at 625 South Goodman Street, City of Rochester, Monroe County. Please see the map for the site location. Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the location identified to the left under "Where to Find Information."

Based on the findings of the investigation, NYSDEC in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) has determined that the site poses a significant threat to public health or the environment. This decision is based on the potential for human exposure to site-related contaminants via soil vapors.

**How to Comment:** NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan for 45 days, from **September 5** through **October 21, 2019**. 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.

**Draft Remedial Alternative Analysis Report:** The proposed Restricted Residential use remedy consists of:

- Installation of a site-wide cover system consisting of a combination of impervious components and two feet of approved cover material, with at least six inches being capable of maintaining a vegetative layer;
- Import of clean cover material that meets the site's Soil Cleanup Objectives;
- Implementing a Health and Safety Plan and Community Air Monitoring Plan during all ground intrusive activities;
- Installation of a sub-slab depressurization system, similar to a radon system, in the on-site building;
- Implementation of a Site Management Plan for long-term maintenance of the engineering controls (cover and vapor mitigation system) as well as long-term groundwater monitoring and site reporting requirements; and
- The recording of an Environmental Easement to ensure the proper use of the site for perpetuity.

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The proposed remedy was developed by Highland Grove 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 investigation was submitted and 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 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 at 625 South Goodman Street in the City of Rochester. The site is a 1.798-acre parcel and is connected to the public water and sewer systems. From approximately 1905 to the late 1930's the site was utilized as shoe manufacturing then various commercial uses until the late 1960's. Site buildings were demolished in the early 1970's after a fire. The site had been vacant since that time and has been utilized as storage and staging by the previous owner, NYSDOT. During the fall of 2018, the BCP volunteer began development activities associated with the construction of an apartment complex at the site. The applicant is seeking to complete site cleanup and site redevelopment concurrently. The site is in an urban area with a mix of commercial and residential use consistent with local zoning. The site is bounded by Interstate-490 to the north; South Goodman Street to the east; Uhlen Place to the southeast; Karges Place to the south; and various commercial and residential properties to the south and west.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the Site ID, C828201) at:

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

**Summary of the Investigation:** Chlorinated volatile organic compounds (CVOCs) and petroleum related compounds were detected at low levels in groundwater

samples that slightly exceeded the NYSDEC's groundwater standards and guidance values. Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) were found in site soils at concentrations above use-specific soil cleanup objectives for the site. Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) impacts to shallow soil (0-4 ft.) and the overburden and bedrock groundwater were detected.

**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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## Receive Site Fact Sheets by Email

Have site information such as this fact sheet sent right to your email inbox. NYSDEC invites you to sign up with one or more contaminated sites county email listservs available at the following web page:

[www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html](http://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



**Legend**

- Site Boundary
- Rochester Parcels 2016

**NOTES:**  
1. Site boundary georeferenced from survey map completed by Stantec dated September 2017  
2. Historical information obtained from Stantec's 2012 Phase I ESA Report.

Source: Esri, DigitalGlobe, GeoEye, Earthstar Geographics, CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, USGS, AeroGRID, IGN, and the GIS User Community



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FIGURE 2