



FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

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Site Name: 990 Niagara Street
DEC Site #: C915313
Address: 990 Niagara Street
Buffalo, NY 14213

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Draft Investigation Work Plan for Brownfield Site Available for Public Comment

The public is invited to comment on a draft work plan being reviewed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to investigate the 990 Niagara Street site ("site") located at 990 Niagara Street, Buffalo, Erie County. Please see the map for the site location. Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the location(s) identified below under "Where to Find Information."

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's website at:
<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/haz/details.cfm?pageid=3&progno=C915313>

Draft Investigation Work Plan

The draft investigation work plan, called a "Remedial Investigation Work Plan," was submitted to NYSDEC under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program. The investigation will be performed by 990 Niagara LLC ("applicant(s)") with oversight by NYSDEC and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH).

How to Comment

NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the draft investigation work plan for 30 days, from **November 29, 2017** through **December 29, 2017**. The proposed plan is available for review at the location(s) identified below under "Where to Find Information." Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area below.

Highlights of the Proposed Site Investigation

The investigation will define the nature and extent of contamination in soil, groundwater and any other parts of the environment that may be affected.

- Collection of surface and subsurface soil/fill samples across the site using soil borings and test pits.
- Installation of ground water wells to characterize the groundwater.

Next Steps

NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the plan as necessary, and approve the work plan. NYSDOH must concur with the plan. The approved work plan will be made available to the public (see “Where to Find Information” below). After the work plan is approved, the activities detailed in the work plan will be implemented. Field work for the sampling should begin in February 2018.

When the investigation is completed, a report will be prepared and submitted to the NYSDEC that summarizes the results. NYSDEC will review the report, make any necessary revisions and, if appropriate, approve the report.

After the investigation, a cleanup plan, called an “Alternatives Analysis Report” will be developed and a Decision Document will be proposed. The cleanup plan will include an evaluation of the proposed site remedy, or recommend a no action or no further action alternative. The goal of the cleanup plan is to ensure the protection of public health and the environment. NYSDEC will present the proposed cleanup plan to the public for its review and comment during a 45-day comment period. NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Background**Location:**

The Site is located in an urban area on Niagara Street in a highly developed mixed use commercial, industrial and residential area of the City of Buffalo. The Site is bordered by Niagara Street to the east, commercial/industrial properties to the north, Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. electrical substation to the south and railroad track to the west.

Site Features:

The Site currently contains a two (2) story commercial building, with asphalt, concrete and gravel covered areas to the north and vegetated areas to the east and west. The Site is currently vacant.

Zoning and Land Use:

The current zoning for the Site is classified as M1 – Light Industrial District and is currently vacant. The City of Buffalo is in the process of revising the building and zoning ordinances into the Buffalo Development Framework. The anticipated zoning for the Site is primarily classified as Urban Core (N-1). Urban Core areas are described as mixed-use centers of high intensity in strategic locations on the edges of downtown or proximate light rail, and often featuring mid-rise buildings. The Site is identified as N-1C – Mixed Use Core.

Past Use of the Site

Former Site occupants include Hewitt Rubber, Buffalo Niagara Hudson Company, Buffalo General Electric Company, International Railway Co., Power House and Converter Station, Merchandising Export and Distributors, and Multiform Dessicants, as well as Trico Products Corp. Former site uses include manufacturing, automotive garage and repair.

Site Geology and Hydrogeology:

Subsurface soil/fill is generally fill material consisting of brick and glass fragments, slag, sand, gravel, and native sandy lean clay or combinations of silt and sand to depths of at least 16 feet below ground surface. Groundwater flow is likely to the west towards the Niagara River located approximately 150 feet west of the Site.

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>

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Where to Find Information

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

Buffalo & Erie County Public Library
230 Porter Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14201
phone: (716)882-1537

Project documents are also available on the NYSDEC website at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/37554.html>

Who to Contact

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

Project Related Questions

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Site-Related Health Questions

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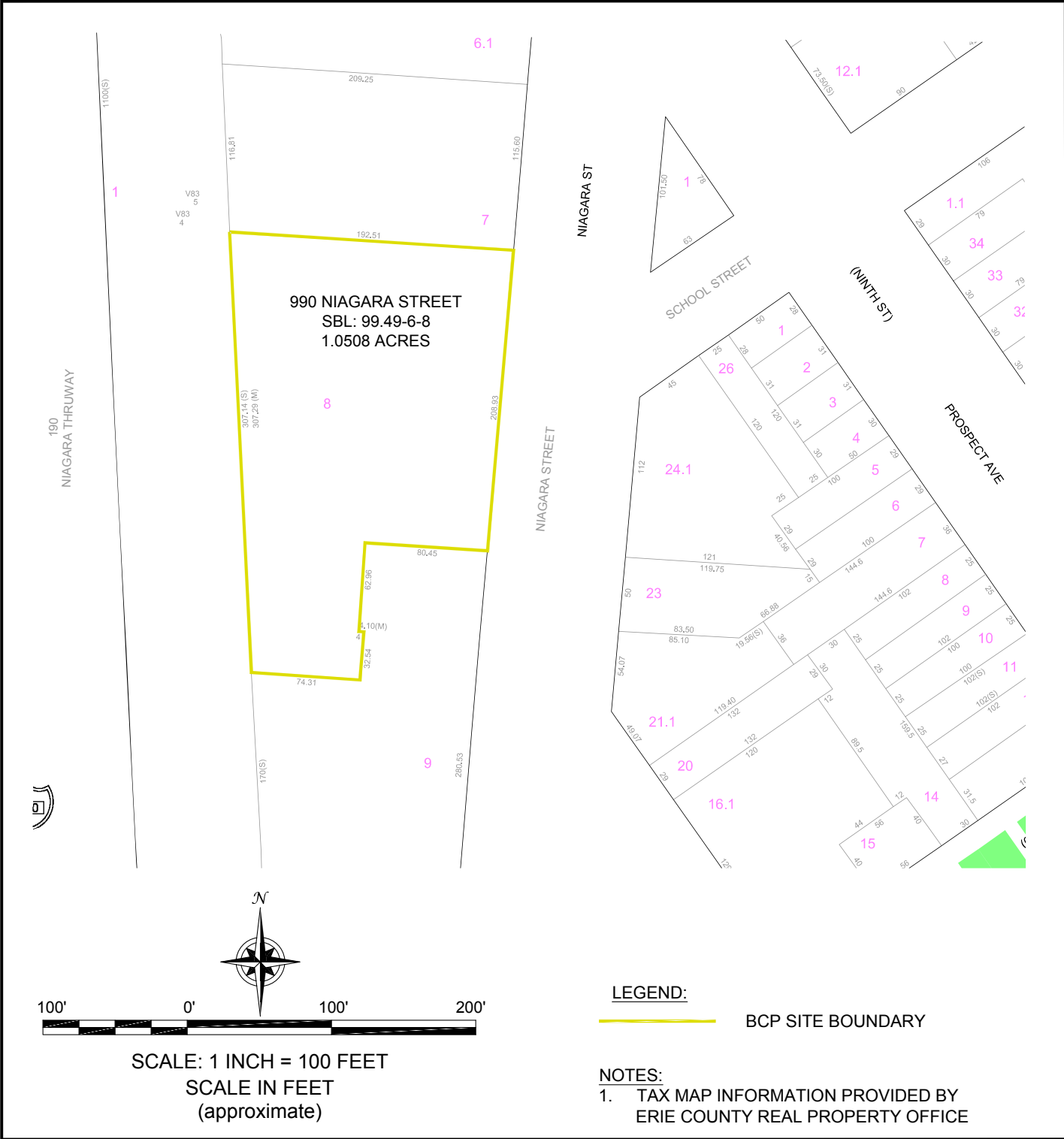
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As a listserv member, you will periodically receive site-related information/announcements for all contaminated sites in the county(ies) you select.

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BROWNFIELD CLEANUP PROGRAM APPLICATION

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BUFFALO, NEW YORK

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