NAVY PROJECT UPDATE Drilling to Start in August 2009

Contractors working on behalf of the United States Navy, under agreement with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), will continue testing of the groundwater remediation (i.e. clean-up) system and will begin a drilling phase in August 2009. The GM-38 Area Groundwater Remediation project includes the extraction (i.e.



pumping) and treatment of deep groundwater that has been contaminated with volatile organic compounds (i.e. chemicals that evaporate easily at room temperature). Groundwater treatment will take place within a pre-engineered steel building that is constructed within the utility easement that is located east of Broadway Ave., west of the Seaford –Oyster Bay Expressway (Route 135), and between the north and south dead ends of Windhorst and Herman Avenues. The upcoming drilling will occur within town right of way in the same utility easement as the treatment building as well as along Broadway Ave., Arthur Ave., and Leroy Ave. In addition, start up testing with potable water will continue inside the treatment building as will site restoration. Approximately 100 white pine trees (8-10 feet tall) have already been planted along the Route 135 right of way (behind homes on S. Herman Ave.) and around the groundwater treatment building. The construction trailer and temporary fencing around the construction area will be removed in the Fall 2009.

A file regarding all Navy environmental activities, including this project, is available at the Bethpage Public Library and can also be viewed on the internet at www.nwirp-bethpage.adminrecord.org. The user name of "bethpage" and a password of "colter" is required for access to this webpage. For additional information on this project, please write or call the Navy, the Navy contractor, or the NYSDEC using the contact information below:

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