FACT SHEET

State Superfund Program

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Site Name: Bartlett Tree Company

DEC Site #: 130074

Address: 345 Union Avenue

Westbury, NY 11590

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No Further Action Remedy Proposed for State Superfund Site; Public Comment Period and Public Meeting Announced

Public Meeting, Tuesday, 3/25/2014 at 7:00 PM Westbury Community Center, 357 Rockland Street, Westbury, NY

NYSDEC invites you to a public meeting to discuss the no further action remedy proposed for the site. You are encouraged to provide comments at the meeting, and during the 30-day comment period described in this fact sheet.

The public is invited to comment on a no further action remedy proposed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) related to the Bartlett Tree Company site ("site") located at 345 Union Avenue, Westbury, Nassau 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."

How to Comment

NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan for 30 days, from **February 26**, **2014** through **March 28**, **2014**. 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.

The site is listed as a Class "2" site in the State Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Sites (list of State Superfund sites). A Class 2 site represents a significant threat to public health or the environment; action is required.

Proposed Remedial Action Plan

The remedy proposed for the site includes:

Based upon the results of the investigations at the site, the interim remedial measures that have been performed, and the evaluation presented here, the Department is proposing No Further Action as the remedy for the site. This No Further Action remedy includes continued operation and the implementation of institutional and engineering controls which include: green remediation principles and techniques, maintaining a site cover system, restriction of

groundwater use, compliance with redevelopment as a commercial use property, and a site management plan for monitoring and future development. The Department believes that this remedy is protective of human health and the environment and satisfies the remediation objectives.

Summary of the Investigation

Nature and Extent of Contamination: A remedial investigation was conducted to delineate the nature and extent of soil and groundwater contamination on-site. Based upon this investigation, the primary contaminants of concern are pesticides.

NYSDEC developed the proposed remedy after reviewing the detailed investigation of the site and evaluating the remedial options in the "feasibility study" submitted under New York's State Superfund Program.

Institutional and Engineering Controls

Institutional controls and engineering controls generally are designed to reduce or eliminate exposure to contaminants of concern. An *institutional control* is a non-physical restriction on use of the site, such as a deed restriction, when contamination left over after the cleanup action makes the site suitable for some, but not all uses. An *engineering control* is a physical barrier or method to manage contamination such as a cap or vapor barrier.

The following institutional controls have been or will be put in place on the site:

- -Site Management Plan
- -Groundwater Use Restriction
- -Environmental Easement
- -Land Use Restriction

The following engineering controls have been or will be put in place on the site:

-Cover System

Next Steps

NYSDEC will consider public comments as it finalizes the no further action remedy for the site. The selected remedy will be described in a document called a "Record of Decision" that will explain why the remedy was selected and respond to public comments. NYSDEC would then reclassify or delist the site from the Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Sites.

Background

Location: The Bartlett Tree Company site is located at 345 Union Avenue in the Village of Westbury, Town of North Hempstead.

Site Features: The site is approximately 0.4 acres in size. The facility office building is a two-story brick and masonry structure, located at the south end of the site. Two structures, an equipment garage/pesticide locker and a storage shed have been removed from the site.

Current Zoning/Use(s): The site is currently zoned for commercial use and is located in a commercial/industrial setting. The Bartlett Tree Company provides horticultural serices to the

surrounding communities. The Long Island Railroad's Westbury train station is located immediately south of the site. There is a residential neighborhood several blocks north of the site.

Past Use of the Site: The Bartlett Tree Company has occupied the site since the mid 1950s. Pesticides are stored on-site for use in the services they provide. Disposal of pesticides into an on-site leaching pool has been documented.

Site Geology/Hydrogeology: The water table is encountered approximately 29'-32' below ground surface, depending on seasonal variation. Overburden consists mainly of various size sands and gravels. The site specific groundwater flow direction is to the south/southwest.

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=130074

State Superfund Program: New York's State Superfund Program (SSF) identifies and characterizes suspected inactive hazardous waste disposal sites. Sites that pose a significant threat to public health and/or the environment go through a process of investigation, evaluation, cleanup and monitoring.

NYSDEC attempts to identify parties responsible for site contamination and require cleanup before committing State funds.

For more information about the SSF, visit: http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Where to Find Information

Project documents are available at the following locations to help the public stay informed.

Westbury Memorial Public Library NYSDEC – Region 1

445 Jefferson Street SUNY at Stony Brook, 50 Circle Road

Westbury, NY 11590 Stony Brook, NY 11790-3409

phone: (516) 333-0176 phone: (631) 444-0240

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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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: http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html. It's quick, it's free, and it will help keep you *better informed*.



As a listsery 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.

