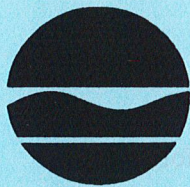


NEW YORK STATE
DEPARTMENT OF



ENVIRONMENTAL
CONSERVATION

**Public Meeting
Invitation**

July 13, 2000
7:00 pm
Council Chambers
Troy City Hall
Troy, NY

The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation will discuss the Proposed Remedial Action Plan for the Troy Water Street Former Manufactured Gas Plant Site, Area 4. At the meeting representatives from NYSDEC will

- * describe the results of detailed site investigations;
- * explain the Proposed Remedial Action Plan and other alternatives considered;
- * answer your questions about the Plan;
- * receive your verbal or written comments about the proposal.

**Public Comment
Period**

From: July 1, 2000
To: July 31, 2000

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FACT SHEET

Niagara Mohawk's Former
MGP Site, Area 4
Troy, New York

**Environmental Clean-up Proposed for Former
Troy Coal Gas Plant Disposal Site**

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), working cooperatively with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), has selected a remedy to address hazardous waste contamination at a former coal gas disposal site in Troy, New York. The disposal area, referred to as Area 4, Operable Unit 1, of the Troy (Water Street) former manufactured gas plant site, operated prior to the 1960s and was used as a disposal area for tar, slag, ash and other wastes from allegedly the former plant and steel industries in the vicinity.

The Proposed Remedy:

- * Excavation and removal of over 19,000 cubic yards of tar, including tar found in two disposal cells, in an adjacent roadway, and tar weeps in the Hudson River. The tar would be treated or disposed of off-site.
- * Grading of the site and restoration of the roadway.
- * Placement of a low permeability cover over the site.
- * Placement of gabions or other erosion control structures along the riverbank.
- * Restrictions on site use and development.
- * Implementation of a monitoring and maintenance program to ensure the remedy is effective in the long-term.

Your Opportunities to Comment on the Proposed Remedy: Release of the Proposed Remedial Action Plan begins a process to finalize the selection of the remedy for the Troy Water Street Area 4 Site. *Your comments and input about the proposed remedy are important. The NYSDEC encourages your comments.*

Your oral and written comments about the proposed plan are welcome at the public meeting and during a public comment period which runs through July 31, 2000.

Written comments may also be sent to:

John Spellman
NYSDEC Division of Environmental Remediation
50 Wolf Road
Albany, NY 12233-7010

What Happens Next: All comments received during the public comment period will be considered, as the remedy for the site is finalized. Public input will be factored into a Record of Decision which will describe the final remedy and include the Department's responses to all the comments received. Following the Record of Decision, there will be a detailed design prior to commencing the remedy.

Document Repositories: To access the complete Proposed Remedial Action Plan and other site information:

Troy Public Library
100 2nd St.
Troy, New York
(518) 274-7071

or
New York State Dept. Of Environmental Conservation
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Contact: John Spellman, (518) 457-9285

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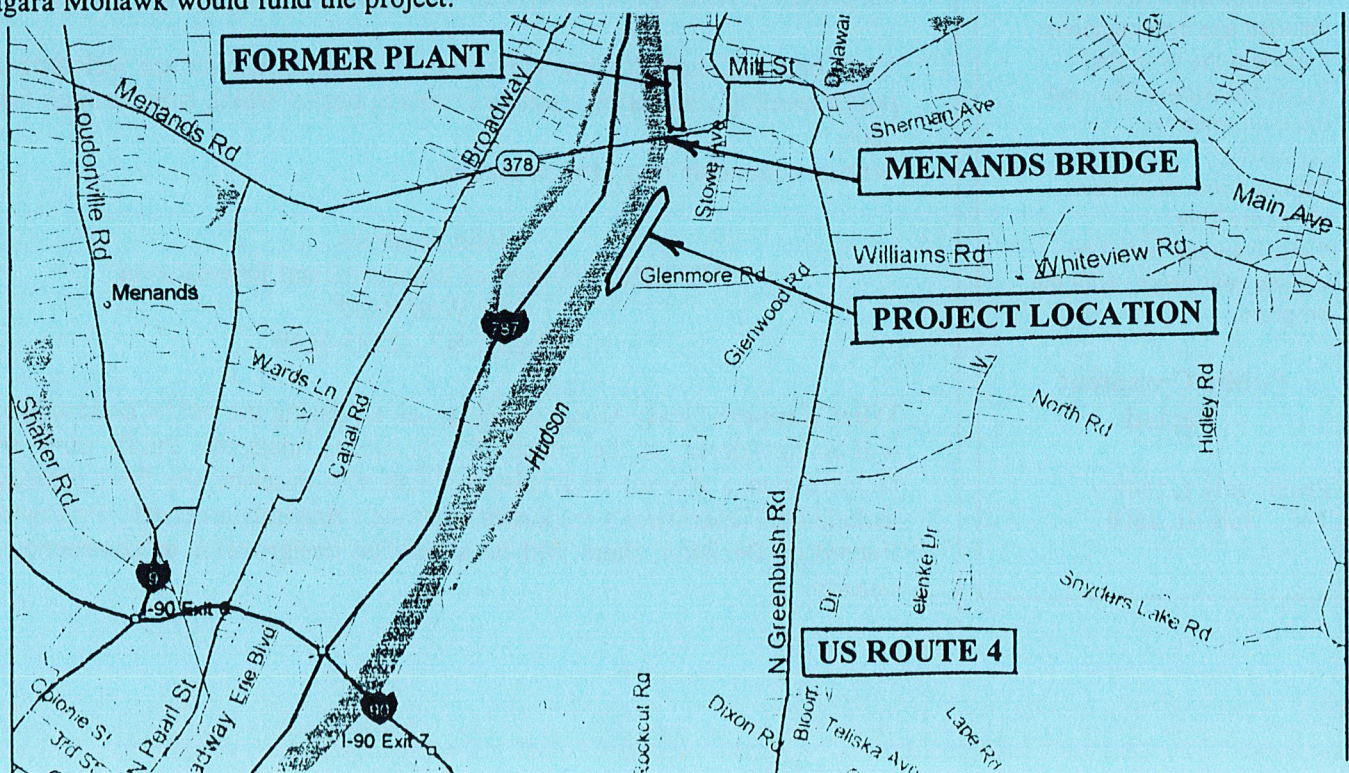
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History: Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation owned and operated the manufactured gas plant briefly in the 1950s. In 1992 Niagara Mohawk consented to a NYSDEC administrative order requiring an environmental preliminary site assessment of 21 former manufactured gas plant sites owned or operated by Niagara Mohawk or its predecessor companies. Included among the 21 sites is the Troy Water Street Site. For ease in investigating, the Troy Water Street Site was divided into four areas. The location of the former manufactured gas plant, Area 2, is about 1/2 mile north of Area 4 (See Figure). The NYSDEC is not aware of the date when disposal at Area 4 began, however, steel production at Troy Water Street began prior to 1900. Circa 1960, Republic Steel reportedly covered the disposal pits with slag and soil.

The assessment of Area 4 has revealed substantial deposits of coal tar, containing benzene, naphthalene and probable carcinogenic polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. The tar is visible on the surface in areas including a nearby access road and the adjacent Hudson River shoreline. From the assessment, the Department concluded that the Area 4 Site presented a significant threat to the environment and required that Niagara Mohawk take measures to eliminate the threat.

Costs and Funding for the Proposed Remedy: The construction cost for the proposed remedy is \$21 million. Niagara Mohawk would fund the project.



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