

**NEW YORK STATE
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**ENVIRONMENTAL
CONSERVATION**

Dear Interested Citizen:

This Fact Sheet is to inform you about the on-going activities at the Pfohl Brothers Landfill site located in Cheektowaga, N.Y. If you have any questions or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact:

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FACT SHEET

PFOHL BROTHERS LANDFILL Site # 9-15-043

REMEDIAL ACTIVITIES UPDATE: December 2001

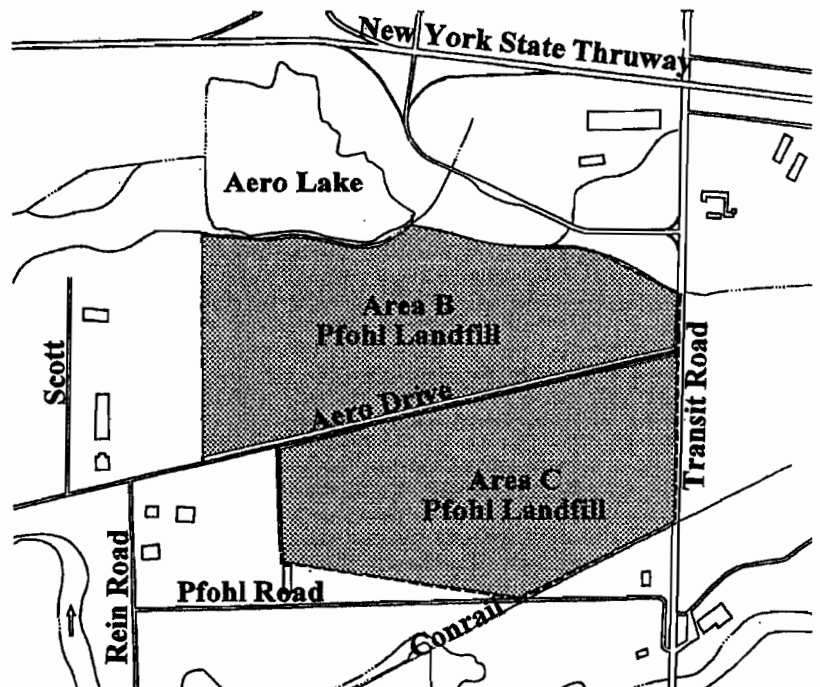
INTRODUCTION

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in cooperation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), is pleased to inform you that clean-up activities at the Pfohl Brothers Landfill site are well ahead of schedule. This project, which began in March, 2001, should be completed during the summer of 2002, including wetland restoration, planting and seeding.

COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION HIGHLIGHTS

Highlights of the major construction activities which have been completed are as follows:

- Waste consolidation has been completed. Approximately 550,000 cubic yards of waste, or about 27,500 truck loads, were consolidated.
- Approximately 35 acres, previously covered by the landfill, have been cleaned up and will be available for redevelopment.
- Remediation of Area C (Landfill area South of Aero Drive) has been completed. The area is capped with a six inch gas venting layer of sand; which is covered by a plastic liner; which is covered by 24 inches of clean soil; and, six inches of top soil, which has been seeded.
- Area B (Landfill area North of Aero Drive), which will eventually receive a cap similar to Area C, has been completely covered with the gas venting layer, the plastic liner and the 24 inch clean soil layer.
- Excavation and installation of about 9,900 linear feet of leachate collection system for both areas B and C has been completed. This system will collect groundwater and discharge it into the sanitary sewer system for treatment by the Buffalo Sewer Authority.



OTHER CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

- ▶ Aero Drive, which was closed on May 30, 2001, was reopened on November 16, 2001.
- ▶ All the excavated waste was checked for radiation prior to it being consolidated in the landfill. None of the tests found radiation levels above background levels.
- ▶ The water encountered during construction was treated at the on-site treatment plant before discharge to the sanitary sewer system. Over 20 million gallons have been treated so far.
- ▶ Approximately 200 drums were encountered during construction. These drums were tested and taken to a permitted off-site facility for proper disposal.
- ▶ The Health and Safety Plan implemented to protect the workers and the community included:
 - continuous air monitoring during work activities for dust and volatile organic chemicals;
 - dust control by spraying water from trucks;
 - daily cleaning of roads (Aero Drive and Transit Road) to remove any mud from the construction site;
 - vehicles and equipment working in the contaminated areas were not allowed to leave the site; and,
 - in order to determine the nature and levels of odors at site, extra air testing was done. The site related contaminants detected in the extra air samples were not at levels that would represent a health concern.

NEXT STEPS

To complete the remediation of the site, construction will resume in April 2002. Upon completion of remedial work, a long term Operation, Maintenance and Monitoring plan will be implemented.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

The NYSDEC and the NYSDOH will keep you informed throughout the remedial program. Your understanding and involvement in this project will help to ensure an effective remediation. If you would like more information about this project, you are urged to review site related documents at:

Cheektowaga:
North Branch Library
735 Maryvale Drive
Cheektowaga, N.Y.;

Williamsville:
Public Library
5571 Main Street
Williamsville, N.Y.

or by appointment only at:
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If you have any questions or concerns regarding the remediation or other environmental aspects of the site, please contact Mr. Jaspal S. Walia at (716) 851-7220; or call, toll free, 1-800-342-9296 and leave your name, address and request. For health related concerns regarding this site, feel free to contact the New York State Department of Health's Mr. Joseph Crua, or, Mr. Mark VanValkenburg, toll free at 1 (800) 458-1158, ext. 27860.