

NIAGARA SANITATION SITE

Evaluation of Cleanup Alternatives to Begin

State Superfund Program

7415 Nash Road, Town of Wheatfield, Niagara County

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SUPERFUND PROGRAM,
SITE NO. 932054:

Visit [www.dec.ny.gov/
chemical/37554.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/37554.html)

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) continues to oversee the investigation and cleanup of the Niagara Sanitation State Superfund Site. Our goal is to ensure a thorough and careful cleanup while keeping the Wheatfield and North Tonawanda communities informed of our progress and next actions. This update includes information about a supplemental on-site investigation planned at the site, which will help DEC evaluate cleanup alternatives to address contamination.

In 2019, DEC approved a Remedial Investigation Report describing the results of a comprehensive investigation completed at the Niagara Sanitation Landfill site at 7415 Nash Road, Wheatfield, Niagara County. The [333-page investigation report](#) included results of DEC's expanded sampling of surface soil, subsurface soil, sediment, surface water, and groundwater at the site, and confirmed that landfill contaminants presented no off-site exposure concern to neighboring properties from landfill contaminants.

These results were discussed at a public availability session in March 2019. DEC and the State Department of Health (DOH) continue monitoring the landfill to ensure that public health and the environment are fully protected. Project documents may be accessed at the on-line repository through DECinfo Locator at: <https://gisservices-dev.dec.ny.gov/gis/dil/index.html?rs=932054>.

During the Summer of 2020, a supplemental on-site investigation will be conducted by DEC to support the development of a Feasibility Study, as described below.

Highlights of the Proposed Supplemental On-site Investigation

The supplemental investigation will be conducted to better define the nature and extent of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and metals identified in surface and near-surface soils in discrete areas of the landfill site. The supplemental investigation will include the following:

- Collection of surface soil samples from 25 on-site locations at 0- to 2-inch and 2- to 6-inch depths for chemical analysis; and
- Additional samples collected from six on-site test trenches proximate to monitoring well OW-36 to determine if there is a contaminant source impacting groundwater in this well.

Next step- Feasibility Study

A Feasibility Study will be conducted based on information obtained from the Remedial Investigation completed in 2017 and the supplemental investigation to:

- Define the objectives of the site cleanup;
- Develop cleanup alternatives; and
- Screen and analyze the alternatives.

DEC will then develop a draft cleanup plan, called a "Proposed Remedial Action Plan." This plan will describe the cleanup proposed by DEC to address contamination related to the landfill site. The draft cleanup plan will summarize the investigation results and explain the basis for the preferred remedy by evaluating each alternative with respect to the legally required criteria for selecting site remedies. The goal of the plan will be to ensure the protection of public health and the environment.

DEC will announce the draft cleanup plan in a future Community Update and present it to the public for its review and comment during a 30-day comment period and at a public meeting. DEC will keep the public informed throughout the site's investigation and cleanup.

Site Description & History

Niagara Sanitation operated the landfill on the Town of Wheatfield property from 1955 to 1968 and accepted various wastes from the surrounding community, including nearby industries. The landfill is located approximately 1,400 feet east of Nash Road. The portion of the property that was the landfill is rectangular in shape and consists of approximately 18.7 acres of the 20.8-acre parcel. The site has been vacant since 1968 and is overgrown with mature trees, dense brush, and patches of phragmites in wet areas.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on DEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, 932054) at:

https://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derext_ernal/haz/details.cfm?pageid=3&progno=932054

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.

DEC will identify parties responsible for site contamination and attempts to recover all State costs associated with site investigation and cleanup.

For more information about the State Superfund Program, visit:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html>.



Niagara Sanitation Landfill Property Map



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NIAGARA COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF REAL PROPERTY SERVICES

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Legend
Parcels

Nash Road

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WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION



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

Document Repository
North Tonawanda Public
Library 505 Meadow Drive
North Tonawanda, NY 14120
(716) 693-4132

*** Note: Repositories are temporarily unavailable due to COVID-19. If you cannot access the online repository, contact the DEC project manager listed for assistance.*

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www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

As a listserv member, you will periodically receive site-related information/announcements for all contaminated sites in the counties you select. If you already have signed up for the listserv for the county in which the site is located, you need do nothing.

If the listserv is not an option, call or write to the DER project manager identified in this newsletter and indicate that you need to receive fact sheets through the U.S. Postal Service. Include the site name in your request. The option to receive paper is available to individuals only. Groups, organizations, businesses, and government entities are assumed to have email access.