



FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

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Site Name: 2 Ingraham Street

February 2012

DEC Site #: C224036

Site Address: 2 Ingraham St

East Williamsburg, NY 11206

Draft Investigation Work Plan for Brownfield Site Available for Public Comment

The public is invited to comment on a draft work plan being reviewed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to investigate 2 Ingraham Street ("site") located at 2 Ingraham St, East Williamsburg, Kings 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."

Brownfield Cleanup Program: New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) encourages the voluntary cleanup of contaminated properties known as "brownfields" so that they can be reused and redeveloped. These uses may include recreation, housing, business or other uses.

A **brownfield** is any real property that is difficult to reuse or redevelop because of the presence or potential presence of contamination.

For more information about the BCP, visit:
<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html>

Draft Investigation Work Plan

The draft investigation work plan, called a "Remedial Investigation Work Plan," was submitted to NYSDEC under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program. The investigation will be performed by Smith Equities, LLC ("applicant(s)") with oversight by NYSDEC and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH). The investigation will assess conditions on-site (and if appropriate, off-site).

How to Comment

NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the draft investigation work plan for 30 days, from February 24, 2012 through March 25, 2012. The proposed plan is available for review at the location(s) identified below under "Where to Find Information." Please submit comments to the project manager listed under Project Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area below.

Highlights of the Proposed Site Investigation

The site investigation has several goals:

- 1) define the nature and extent of contamination in soil, surface water, groundwater and any other parts of the environment that may be affected;
- 2) identify the source(s) of the contamination;
- 3) assess the impact of the contamination on public health and the environment; and
- 4) provide information to support the development of a proposed remedy to address the

contamination.

Next Steps

NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the plan as necessary, and approve the work plan. NYSDOH must concur with the plan. The approved work plan will be made available to the public (see “Where to Find Information” below). After the work plan is approved, the activities detailed in the work plan will be implemented.

When the investigation is completed, a report will be prepared and submitted to the NYSDEC that summarizes the results. NYSDEC will review the report, make any necessary revisions and, if appropriate, approve the report.

After the investigation, a cleanup plan, called a “Remedial Work Plan” will be developed and a Decision Document will be proposed. The cleanup plan will include an evaluation of the proposed site remedy, or recommend a no action or no further action alternative. The goal of the cleanup plan is to ensure the protection of public health and the environment. NYSDEC will present the proposed cleanup plan to the public for its review and comment during a 45-day comment period. NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Background

Location: The 2 Ingraham Street site is located at 2 Ingraham Street in the East Williamsburg Area of Brooklyn, New York.

Site Features: The site is a 0.5 acre warehouse and is bordered on the south by Harrison Place, on the north by Ingraham Street, on the west by Bogart Street, and on the east by Morgan Avenue. The site is potentially affected by easements for the New York City Water Tunnel No. 3 and the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) subway.

Current Zoning/Uses: The current zoning of the property is M1-2 (light manufacturing), and currently use as a warehouse and a picture frame assembler workshop. The surrounding land use is mainly manufacturing (M-1 and M-2) with residential (R-6) farther east and west of the site. The businesses in the immediate area include warehouses, auto scrap yards, masonry materials sales, waste management and trucking. The neighborhood surrounding the site includes some residential units inter-dispersed with commercial properties. A New York City Transit Authority subway line is located underneath of Harrison Place and there are rail yards nearby which are connected to the Long Island Railroad Bushwick Branch.

Historical Uses: Prior 1946 the Site was used for orphanage. In 1948, the site was occupied by an umbrella manufacturing plant and a metal plating company between 1946 and early 1990's. After 1990's the site has been used as a warehouse without major changes.

Site Geology and Hydrogeology: Based on soil collected by prior sampling activities, soil boring logs showed silt, silty sand and clay to a maximum depth of 17 feet below the concrete slab with fill reported down to 8 feet. The fill is described in the boring logs as containing “coal cinders” which usually connected with historic fill, as coal is not commonly used as on-site heating fuel today.

The depth to groundwater is approximately 15 feet below grade based on prior investigation. The

regional groundwater flow direction is roughly south to north, towards the English Kills.

Additional site details are available on NYSDEC's website at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/haz/details.cfm?pageid=3&progno=C224036>

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Where to Find Information

Project documents are available at the following location(s) to help the public stay informed.

Brooklyn Public Library, Central Branch
Attn: Loren Williams
10 Grand Army Plaza
Brooklyn, NY 11238
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Who to Contact

Comments and questions are always welcome and should be directed as follows:

Project Related Questions

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As a listserv member, you will periodically receive site-related information/announcements for all contaminated sites in the county(ies) you select.

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Site Location Map