



Department of
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Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator and at these location(s):

Queensboro Public Library - Court Square
25-01 Jackson Avenue
Long Island City, NY 11101
718-937-2790

Queens Community Board 1
45-02 Ditmars Boulevard
LL Suite 125
Astoria, NY 11105
(716) 626-1021

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For more information about New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit:
www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Queens Plaza North

Intersection of Queens Plaza North, Northern Blvd and 41st Avenue
Long Island City, NY 11101

November 2019

SITE No. C241171
NYSDEC REGION 2

NYSDEC Certifies Cleanup Requirements Achieved at Brownfield Site

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) has determined that the cleanup requirements to address contamination related to the Queens Plaza North site ("site") located at the intersection of Queens Plaza North, Northern Boulevard and 41st Avenue in Long Island City, NY, under New York State's Brownfield Cleanup Program have been or will be met. Please see the map for the site location.

The cleanup activities were performed by QPP LLC ("applicant") with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). NYSDEC has approved a Final Engineering Report (FER) and issued a Certificate of Completion (COC) for the site.

- Access the FER, Notice of COC and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator:
<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C241171/>.
- The documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."

Completion of the Project: The following activities have been completed to achieve the remedial action objectives:

- Excavation - Excavation and off-site disposal of approximately 67 tons (48 cubic yards) of grossly contaminated soil and approximately 35,921 tons (25650 cubic yards) of contaminated historic fill material exceeding the soil cleanup objectives for unrestricted use, the site-specific cleanup criteria.
- Since the site has been cleaned up to unrestricted levels, all site-related contamination has been removed and no additional remedial controls on the site are necessary.

Final Engineering Report Approved: NYSDEC has approved the FER, which:

- 1) Describes the cleanup activities completed.
- 2) Certifies that cleanup requirements have been or will be achieved for the site

Next Steps: With its receipt of a COC, the applicant(s) is eligible to redevelop the site. In addition, the applicant:

- Has no liability to the State for contamination at or coming from the site, subject to certain conditions; and
- Is eligible for tax credits to offset the costs of performing cleanup activities and for redevelopment of the site.

A COC may be modified or revoked if, for example, there is a failure to comply with the terms of the order or agreement with NYSDEC.

Site Description: The site is located at the intersection of Northern Boulevard, 41st Avenue and Queens Plaza North in Long Island City, NY. The site is about 22,700 square feet and is bordered by 41st Avenue to the south and west, Northern Boulevard to the east and the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) East Side Access Tunnel project to the north. Historic site use has included a commercial bank (1921-2006), and asphalt parking area. An automotive repair facility was located on a portion of the site (1930-1976). The site is being redeveloped into two commercial buildings and a residential tower. Historic operations conducted at the site resulted in contamination of the subsurface with lead and petroleum, which have been cleaned up under the Brownfield Cleanup Program.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C241171) at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/xtapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>

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 site is any real property where a contaminant is present at levels exceeding the soil cleanup objectives or other health-based or environmental standards, criteria or guidance adopted by NYSDEC that are applicable based on the reasonably anticipated use of the property, in accordance with applicable regulations.

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

We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.

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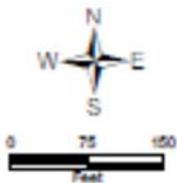
Note: Please disregard if you already have signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.

DECinfo Locator

Interactive map to access DEC documents and public data about the environmental quality of specific sites: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html>

BROWNFIELD CLEANUP PROGRAM

Site Location Map



Site Map

Queens Plaza North
Long Island City, Queens
Site No. C241171