



Department of
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Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the
DECinfo Locator
<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C241258/>
at these location(s):

Document Repository Name

Queens Public Library – Rego Park *
91-41 63rd Drive
Rego Park, NY 11374
(718) 459-5140

Queens Community Board 6 *
104-01 Metropolitan Avenue
Forest Hills, NY 11375
(718) 263-9250
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*(*Repositories may be temporarily
unavailable due to COVID-19 precautions.
If you cannot access the online repository,
please contact the NYSDEC project
manager listed below for assistance)*

Who to Contact

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

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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

68-19 Rego Park LLC

68-19 Woodhaven Boulevard
Queens, NY 11374

SITE No. C241258

NYSDEC REGION 2

February 2022

Remedy Proposed for Brownfield Site Contamination; Public Comment Period Announced

The public is invited to comment on a proposed remedy being reviewed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), to address contamination related to the 68-19 Rego Park LLC site ("site") located at 68-19 Woodhaven Boulevard, Queens, NY. Please see the map for the site location.

Based on the findings of the investigation, NYSDEC in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) has determined that the site does not pose a significant threat to public health or the environment.

How to Comment: NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan, called a "Draft Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP)" for 45 days, from **February 16 through April 1, 2022.**

- Access the RAWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C241258/>.
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."
- Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area at left.

Draft Remedial Work Plan: The proposed Unrestricted Use remedy consists of:

- Excavation and off-site disposal of soils across the site exceeding Unrestricted Use soil cleanup objectives;
- Collecting and analyzing confirmation soil samples to determine whether remedial cleanup requirements have been achieved;
- Importing clean material that meets the established Soil Cleanup Objectives for use as backfill;
- Evaluation of soil vapor intrusion following soil removal;
- Implementing a Health and Safety Plan and Community Air Monitoring Plan during all ground intrusive activities;
- If an Unrestricted Use cleanup is not achieved, implementation of a Site Management Plan (SMP) would also be required for long term maintenance of the remedial systems; and
- If an Unrestricted Use cleanup is not achieved, recording of an Environmental Easement to ensure proper use of the site may be necessary.

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The proposed remedy was developed by 68-19 Rego Park LLC ("applicant") after performing a detailed investigation of the site under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). A "Remedial Investigation Report", which describes the results of the site investigation was submitted and is also available for review at the locations identified on Page 1.

Next Steps: NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the cleanup plan as necessary, and issue a final Decision Document. NYSDOH must concur with the proposed remedy. After approval, the proposed remedy becomes the selected remedy. The applicant(s) may then design and perform the cleanup action to address the site contamination, with oversight by NYSDEC and NYSDOH.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Site Description: The site is located on the corner of Woodhaven Blvd. and 68th Road in the Rego Park neighborhood of Queens. Woodhaven Blvd. is to the west of the site and 68th Road is to the south of the site. A motel and residential housing are located to the north of the site. A residential building and a parking lot are located to the east of the site. The site is identified as Block 3148, Lot 2 on the NYC Tax map. The site's area is 0.588 acres. Currently the entire site is occupied by an auto repair business which includes garages and a storage yard. Past uses of the site include as a plant nursery and for manufacturing. The planned future site use is for a mixed-use commercial and residential building.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C241258) at:

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

Summary of the Investigation: Several Semi Volatile Organic Compounds (SVOCs) as well as polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and the metal copper were found in the subsurface soils at concentrations above use-specific soil cleanup objectives. The SVOCs are present at shallow depths

up to 2 feet below grade and are likely the result of past site uses and historic fill, which is present throughout the site. Low level concentrations of petroleum related volatile organic compounds (VOCs), SVOCs and metals were detected in groundwater at several monitoring wells. Both petroleum related VOCs and chlorinated VOCs were detected in soil vapor samples collected from the site.

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 DEC that are applicable based on the reasonably anticipated use of the property, in accordance with applicable regulations.

For more information about the BCP, visit:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html>

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Stay Informed With DEC Delivers

Sign up to receive site updates by email:

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

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: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html>

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Site Location

