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## Act Now to Continue Receiving Information About This Site!

DEC's Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) now distributes information about contaminated sites *electronically by email*.

If you would like to continue to receive information about the contaminated site featured in this fact sheet:

**You must sign up for the DER email listserv:**

[www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html)

DER cannot register your email address - only the email address owner can do so. If you already have signed up for the listserv for the county in which the site is located, you need do nothing.



### Why You Should Go “Paperless”:

- Get site information faster and share it easily;
- Receive information about all sites in a chosen county - read what you want, delete the rest;
- It helps the environment and stretches your tax dollars.

**If “paperless” is not an option for you**, call or write to the DER project manager identified in this fact sheet. Indicate that you need to receive paper copies of fact sheets through the Postal Service. Include the site name in your correspondence. The option to receive paper is available to individuals only. Groups, organizations, businesses, and government entities are assumed to have email access.

## **Where to Find Information:**

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

### **Rensselaer Public Library**

676 East Street  
Rensselaer, NY 12144  
Call for hours: 518-462-1193

### **City of Rensselaer Planning & Economic Development Agency**

C/O Charles Moore, AICP, Director  
City Hall  
62 Washington Street  
Rensselaer, NY 12144  
518-465-1693

*For additional information about the Brownfield Cleanup Program, go to:*  
[www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html)

## **Who to Contact:**

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

### **Project Related Questions**

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## **Off-Site Investigation to Begin at Brownfield Site**

The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) will soon begin an off-site environmental study around the Tim Bayly Property (C442043), a former dry cleaner site, located at 800 Broadway, in the city of Rensselaer, Rensselaer County (see the site location map on page 3). The cleanup action at the Tim Bayly Property itself was completed by a volunteer under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the locations listed on the left side of this page under "Where to Find Information."

**Investigation Work Plan:** The off-site investigation work plan, called a "Remedial Investigation Work Plan," describes the investigation approach and is available for public review. The investigation will be implemented by DEC and its contractors, and the NYS Department of Health (DOH).

**Highlights of the Upcoming Investigation:** Based on previous investigations, the primary contaminants of potential concern off-site are chlorinated volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in soil, groundwater, and/or soil vapor. The specific VOCs of potential concern are tetrachloroethene, a solvent used for dry cleaning, and its degradation compounds. The cleanup of the Tim Bayly Property site under the BCP met restricted-residential soil cleanup objectives, with remaining on-site soil and groundwater contamination being managed under a Site Management Plan. The upcoming Remedial Investigation will define the nature and extent of contamination that has migrated from the Tim Bayly Property in soil, groundwater and soil vapor. The key components of the Remedial Investigation Work Plan include:

- Installing soil borings on surrounding properties to obtain subsurface information and collecting surface and subsurface soil samples for laboratory analysis;
- Installing monitoring wells on surrounding properties and collecting groundwater samples for laboratory analysis;
- Collecting soil vapor, sub-slab soil vapor and indoor air samples from surrounding properties; and
- Evaluating the sampling results to delineate the extent of contamination emanating the site.



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**Next Steps:** After the investigation begins, DEC will conduct an “Alternatives Analysis.” This study uses information collected during the Remedial Investigation to develop and evaluate potential ways to clean up contamination related to the site, or if appropriate, to support the conclusion that no action, or no further action, is needed to address site-related contamination. A report will be prepared summarizing the information collected during the Remedial Investigation and the results of the Alternatives Analysis. DEC will keep the public informed throughout the off-site investigation.

**Site Description:** The off-site study area surrounds the Tim Bayly Property site, which is located at 800 Broadway in the city of Rensselaer, Rensselaer County. The site was used as a dry cleaning operation from at least 1958 to 1978 and became vacant until remediation was completed in 2017 under the BCP. The site was recently redeveloped for commercial use. To the south of the site is Partition Street, to the east is 1st Street, and to the north is Harrison Avenue. The off-site study area includes residential and commercial properties and public rights of way. There is a three-story apartment building directly to the east of the site, an unoccupied building directly to the north, a large railyard to the west and south, and a convenience store to the southeast. The site and off-site study area are approximately 0.2 miles east of the Hudson River.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, can be found on DEC’s Environmental Site Remediation Database by entering the on-site and off-site investigation codes (C442043 and C442043A, respectively) at: [www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/xtapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3](http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/xtapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3)

**Brownfield Cleanup Program Overview:** 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.

**Off-site Contamination:** For BCP sites where the work is being performed by a volunteer, the volunteer is not required to investigate or remediate contamination which may have migrated off-site. If contamination migrates off-site, and the site is considered a significant threat to public health and/or the environment, the remedial program is performed by NYSDEC or a responsible party.

For more information about the BCP, visit: [www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html](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.***

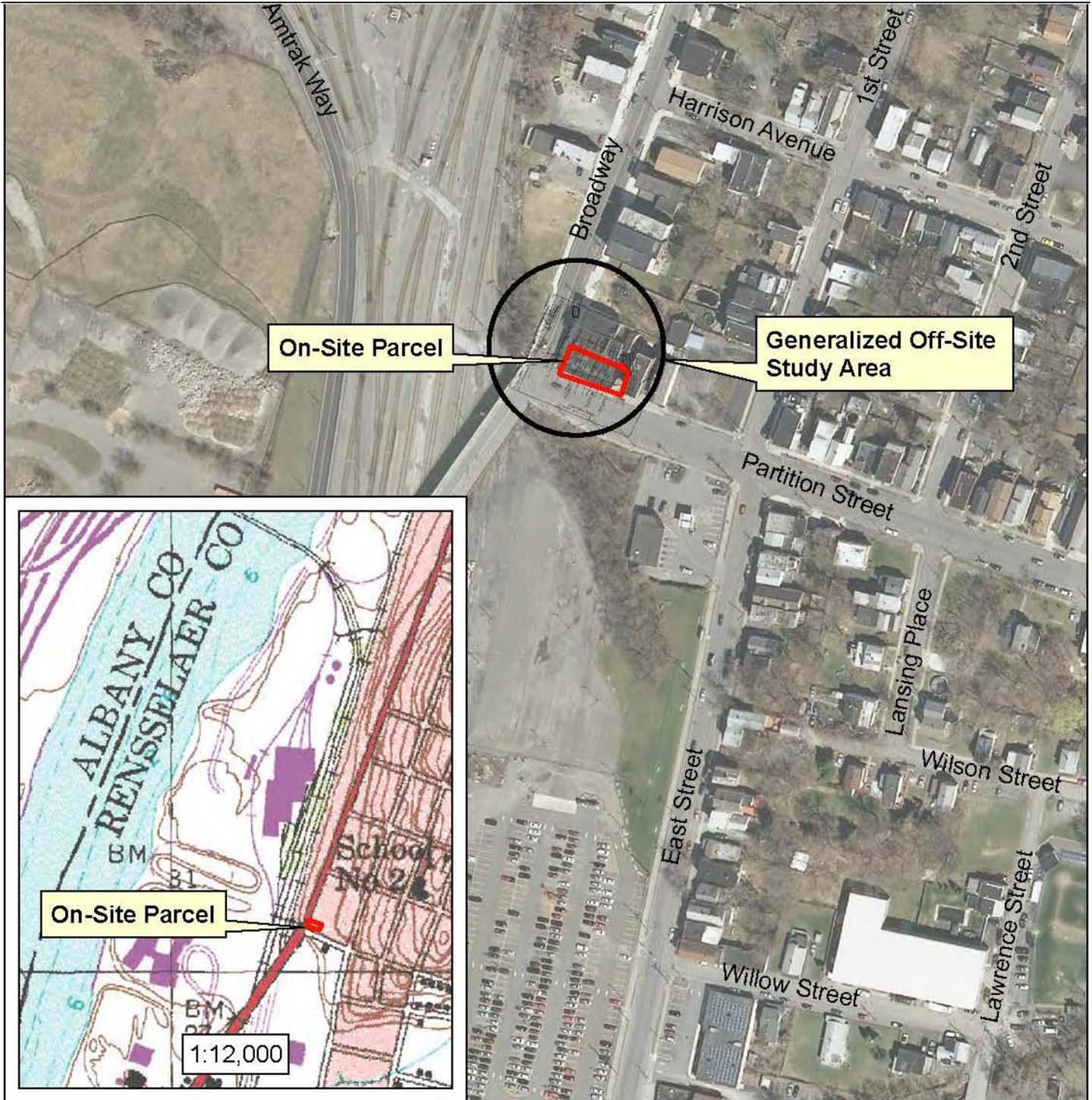
**Receive Site Fact Sheets by Email**  
Have site information such as this fact sheet sent right to your email inbox. NYSDEC invites you to sign up with one or more contaminated sites county email listservs at: [www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html)  
It’s quick, it’s free, and it will help keep you better informed. As a listserv member, you will periodically receive site-related information/ announcements for all contaminated sites in the county(ies) you select.  
Note: Please disregard if you already have signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.



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**SITE LOCATION MAP**  
 Tim Bayly Property - Off-Site  
 Site No. C442043A  
 City of Rensselaer  
 Rensselaer County, NY

