



FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Hope Street Project
118-138 Hope Street
Brooklyn, NY 11211

SITE No. C224281
NYSDEC REGION 2

Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator
<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224281/>
and at these location(s):

*(*Repositories are temporarily unavailable due to COVID-19 precautions. If you cannot access the online repository, please contact the NYSDEC project manager listed below for assistance)*

Brooklyn Public Library – Leonard Branch

81 Devoe Street at Leonard St
Brooklyn, NY 11211
718-486-6006

Brooklyn Community Board 1

435 Graham Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11211
718-389-0009

Who to Contact

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

Project-Related Questions

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Project-Related Health Questions

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

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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 Hope Street Project site (“site”) located at 118-138 Hope Street, Brooklyn, Kings County. 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 **January 13 through February 27, 2021.**

- Access the RAWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224281>.
- Documents also are available at the locations 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:

- Removing underground storage tanks (USTs) and related piping;
- Excavation and off-site disposal of approximately 1,000 cubic yards of petroleum contaminated soil to five feet below surface grade across approximately half of the site, and to 12 to 15 feet in areas of deeper contamination;
- Collecting and analyzing end-point soil samples and post-remedial groundwater samples to evaluate the effectiveness of the remedy;
- Importing clean material that meets the established Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) for use as backfill;
- Implementing a Health and Safety Plan (HASP) and Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) during all ground intrusive activities;
- Implementing a soil vapor intrusion evaluation once the remedy is complete;
- 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 Hope Keap LLC and Hope-Keap Owner LLC (“applicants”) after performing a detailed investigation of the site under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP).

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 applicants 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 0.584-acre site is located in primarily residential and commercial area of the Williamsburg neighborhood of Brooklyn. Currently, the site is vacant and unpaved. The site is zoned as M1-2/R6A (light manufacturing and residential uses).

Since 1887, different areas of the site have been occupied by a foundry, a coal company, an automobile service station, a dry cleaner, a machine shop, a metal fabricator, a trucking company, a taxi company, and other industrial and commercial facilities.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C224281) at:

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

Summary of the Investigation:

The primary contaminants of concern at the site are volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), and metals which are present site-wide in soil and groundwater. The VOCs tetrachloroethene (PCE) and trichloroethene (TCE) and were detected in site soil vapor along with petroleum-related VOCs.

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>

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.

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

