



Department of
Environmental
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FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Bowers Business Park
Canada Drive
East Syracuse, NY 13057

May 2022

SITE No. C734145
NYSDEC REGION 7

Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator
<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C734145/>
and at these locations:

Community Library of Dewitt & Jamesville

5110 Jamesville Road
Jamesville, NY 13078
(315) 446-3578

NYSDEC

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Who to Contact

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

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 the Bowers Business Park site ("site") located at Canada Drive, East Syracuse, Town of Dewitt, Onondaga County. Please see the map below for the site location.

Draft Investigation Work Plan: The draft investigation work plan, called a Remedial Investigation Work Plan (RIWP), was submitted to NYSDEC under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program. The investigation will be performed by Bowers Business Park, LLC ("applicant") with oversight by NYSDEC and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH).

How to Comment: NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the Draft RIWP for 30 days, from **May 11, through June 11, 2022**.

- Access the RIWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C734145/>.
- Documents also are available at the locations identified at left under "Where to Find Information."
- Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed at left under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area.

Highlights of the Proposed Site Investigation: The investigation will define the nature and extent of contamination in soil, surface water, groundwater and any other parts of the environment that may be affected.

Previous investigations have detected polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) in soil both on- and off-site.

Key components of the proposed investigation work include:

- Sampling of surface soil and soil borings to identify possible on-site sources of contamination;
- Installing and sampling groundwater wells to monitor impacts from areas of concern onsite;
- Collecting surface water and sediment samples from the onsite retention pond; and
- Sampling soil vapor to identify potential impacts from soil vapor intrusion.

Next Steps: NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the plan as necessary, and approve the work plan. NYSDOH must concur with the plan. 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 NYSDEC that summarizes the results. NYSDEC will review the report, make any necessary revisions and, if appropriate, approve the report.

After the investigation, a proposed cleanup plan, called a Draft Remedial Work Plan will be developed. 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.

Site Description: The 34.4-acre site is located in a rural-suburban area. It is bordered by Canada Drive, a FedEx distribution facility, and vacant land to the north; single-family residential properties and vacant land to the east; Collamer Cemetery and Collamer Road (NYS Route 298) to the south; and Loucks Road and a multi-family residential property to the west. With the exception of a utility corridor and stormwater retention basin located on the northern portion of the site, the site is undeveloped and is mostly covered by weeds, shrubs, and a wooded area on the southern portion of the site. Prior to 1990, the site had a history of agricultural uses, including a dairy farm, field crops, a milk plant, and a sand quarry. The property was sold in 1990 and remained unused until 2008 when it was cleared, graded, and improved with limited infrastructure, including roadways, storm and sanitary sewers, and the retention pond.

Previous investigations conducted at the site from 2013 to 2015 detected the presence of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) in surface soils above cleanup objectives.

The planned redevelopment for the site includes industrial applications such manufacturing, warehousing, and commercial use along Collamer Road. The anticipated cleanup standards will align with industrial or commercial use.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C734145) at:

<https://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 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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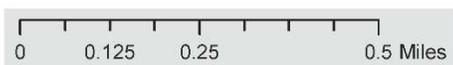
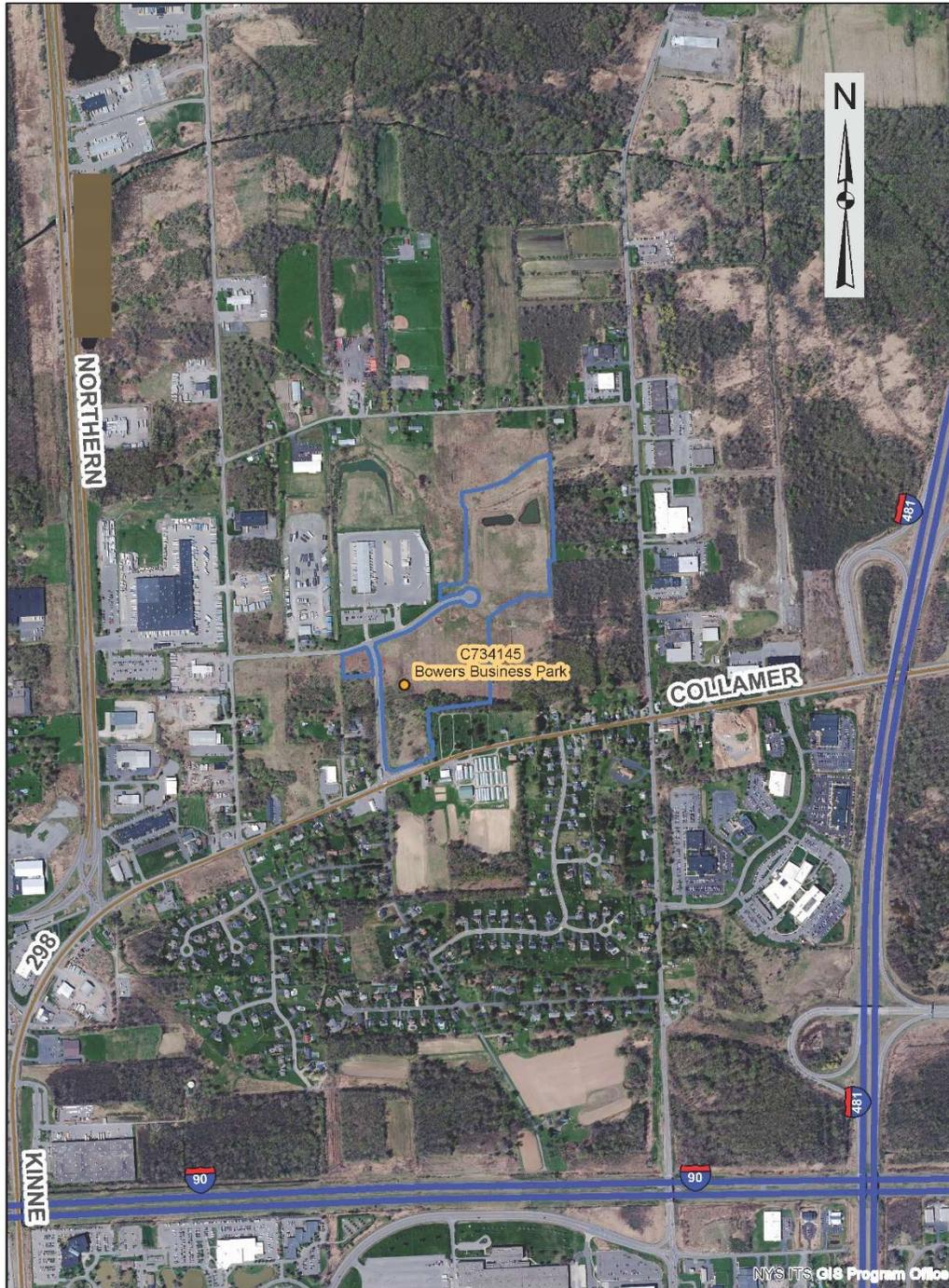
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DECinfo Locator

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Site Location





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