



Department of
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FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

308 Crowley Avenue

308 Crowley Avenue
Buffalo, Erie County

SITE No. C915390

NYSDEC REGION 9

March 2023

Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the
DECinfo Locator

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C915390/>
and at this location:

Buffalo and Erie County Public Library

1 Lafayette Square
Buffalo, NY 14203
(716) 858-8900

Who to Contact

Comments and questions are welcome
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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 308 Crowley Avenue site ("site") located at 308 Crowley Avenue, Buffalo, Erie County. Please see the map 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 Jemal's King Sewing, 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 **March 29 through April 28, 2023**.

- Access the RIWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C915390/>.
- Documents also are available at the location 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.

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

Previous investigations have detected semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) and metals in soil and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in groundwater on site.

Key components of the investigation work include:

- Drilling and sampling additional soil borings below building slabs and throughout the site to identify possible on-site sources of contamination;
- Trench soil testing in impacted areas and additional sampling of surface soil piles identified during previous investigations;
- Collecting sub-slab soil vapor samples;
- Installing and sampling additional ground water wells to assess potential contamination and its sources (on or offsite), the direction of groundwater flow, and potential impacts;
- Identify former underground storage tank locations by use of geophysics; and
- Conduct additional building environmental condition assessments.

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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 Action 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 site is 3.705-acres and is bordered on the east by commercial use and former railroad facilities, on the north by Enterprise Folding Box Company, Inc., and on the south and west by residential properties. It is currently developed with multiple vacant, deteriorating and partially demolished buildings which mainly include one and two-story sections. Since 1910, the site had been used for various industrial purposes such as electroplating and polishing, coal shed, assembly building, foundry, paint shop, machine shop and manufacturing of radios and television sets.

The re-development of the site will be for mixed use including manufacturing, office, and/or retail.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's

Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C915390) at:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/xtapps/dereexternal/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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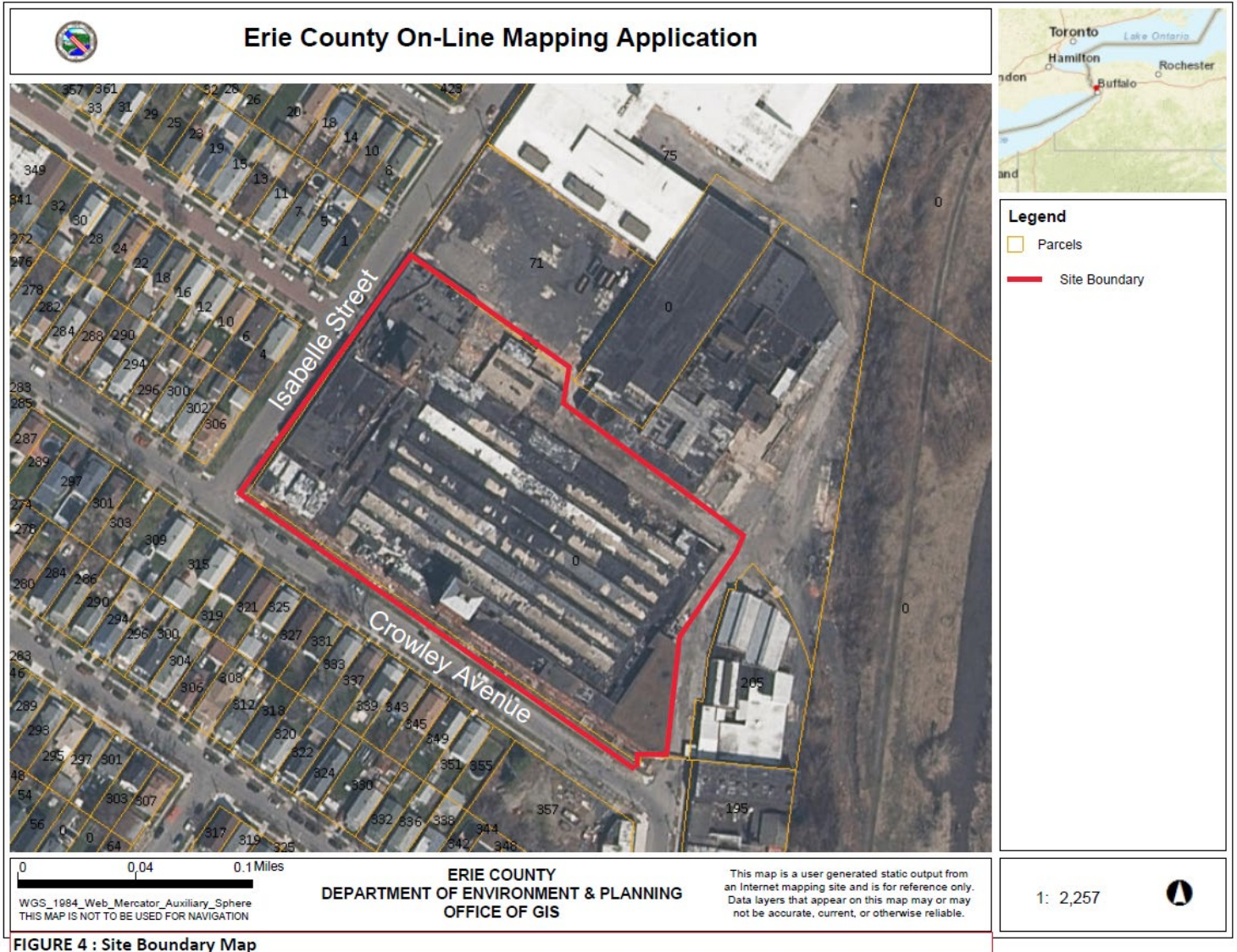
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DECinfo Locator

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





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