



Department of
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FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

4435-4445 Military Road Site

4435-4445 Military Road
Niagara, NY 14305

June 2019

SITE No. C932174

NYSDEC REGION 9

Where to Find Information:

Project documents are available at these location(s) to help the public stay informed.

Niagara Falls Public Library

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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 and Expedited Cleanup 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 4435-4445 Military Road site ("site") located at 4435-4445 Military Road, Niagara, Niagara County. Please see the map for the site location. Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the location(s) identified to the left under "Where to Find Information."

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

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 volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and metals in soil and/or groundwater on site.

Key components of the investigation work include:

- Completion of soil borings to identify possible on-site sources of contamination.

Draft Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) Work Plan: An IRM is a cleanup activity that may be performed when a source of contamination or exposure pathway (the way in which a person may contact contamination) can be effectively addressed without extensive investigation and evaluation.

The draft IRM work plan describes proposed cleanup activities that include:

- Excavating contaminated "hot spot" areas at depths ranging from 1 to 2 feet below grade, and disposing off-site to achieve the soil cleanup objectives for commercial use;
- Excavating Technologically Enhanced Normally Occurring Radioactive Material (TENORM) to 2 feet below grade and disposing off-site;
- Importing clean material that meets the established Soil Cleanup Objectives for use as backfill;

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- Demolition and removal of existing buildings including proper handling/disposal of any lead-based paint and asbestos containing material; and
- Implementing a Health and Safety Plan and Community Air Monitoring Plan during all ground intrusive activities.

How to Comment: NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the draft investigation work plan and draft IRM Work Plan for 30 days, from **June 5** through **July 5, 2019**. The proposed plans are available for public review at the location(s) identified on page 1 under "Where to Find Information." Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area on page 1.

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

After the investigation, a cleanup plan, called a "Remedial Work Plan" will be developed and a Decision Document will be proposed. 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 1.15-acres and is bordered on the west by Military Road, on the south by Grauer Road, and residential properties to the north and to the east. It is currently vacant with two one-story buildings separated into multiple commercial units. The site was previously used as an auto tire store, auto repair shop, barber shop, pizzeria, gas station, and dry cleaner.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the Site ID, C932174) at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/external/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:

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

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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.

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Site Location Map

