

## **FACT SHEET**

# State Superfund Program

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**Site Name:** Levey Property

**DEC Site #:** 152201 Operable Unit 02 \* **Address:** 1305 South Strong Avenue

Copiague, NY 11726

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February 2013

### No Action Remedy Proposed for State Superfund Site; Public Comment Period and Public Meeting Announced

Public Meeting, Wednesday, 3/13/2013 at 7:00 PM

Copiague Middle School Auditorium, 2650 Great Neck Road, Copiague NY 11726

NYSDEC invites you to a public meeting to discuss the no action remedy proposed for the site. You are encouraged to provide comments at the meeting, and during the 30-day comment period described in this fact sheet.

The public is invited to comment on a no action remedy proposed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) related to the Levey Property site ("site") located at 1305 South Strong Avenue, Copiague, Suffolk 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 below under "Where to Find Information."

#### **How to Comment**

NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan for 30 days, from **February 25**, **2013** through **March 27**, **2013**. The proposed plan is available for review at the location(s) identified below under "Where to Find Information." Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area below.

The site is listed as a Class "2" site in the State Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Sites (list of State Superfund sites). A Class 2 site represents a significant threat to public health or the environment; action is required.

#### **Proposed Remedial Action Plan**

The remedy proposed for the site includes:

The Department is proposing No Action as the remedy for the site.

An Interim Site Management Plan will be required to monitor the off-site groundwater to demonstrate a continued decreasing trend.

Summary of the Investigation

The groundwater in the off-site area was minimally impacted by the volatile organic compounds (VOCs) from the on-site portion. However, the results of two rounds of soil vapor sampling did not indicate any issues of potential exposures via soil vapor intrusion. Groundwater is not used as a source of drinking water. NYSDEC developed the proposed remedy after reviewing the detailed investigation of the operable unit.

#### **Next Steps**

NYSDEC will consider public comments as it finalizes the no action remedy for the site. The selected remedy will be described in a document called a "Record of Decision" that will explain why the remedy was selected and respond to public comments. A separate Proposed Remedial Action Plan will be issued for the on-site portion (Operable Unit 01) in the future.

#### **Background**

Location: The Levey Property site is located in a suburban area. It is bounded by Chettic Avenue to the north and Victoria Avenue to the south. The site address is 1305 South Strong Avenue in Copiague, NY.

Site Features: The site consists of an approximately 45,000 square foot rectangular-shaped parcel of partially concrete-paved, partially unpaved and partially vegetated lot. It is developed with a two-story commercial building which formerly had a partial basement located in the northeastern portion of the on-site facility.

Current Zoning and Land Use: The site is currently vacant, and is zoned for industrial use. The surrounding parcels are currently used for a combination of commercial and residential uses. Residential homes are located south of and across the street from the Levey Property.

Past Use of the Site: Historically, this site was used as a small wallpaper production facility with three printing presses, and for motor vehicle parts storage. In 2001, this site operated as a car and boat repair business, along with storage and assembly of bronze sculptures. During a Suffolk County Department of Health Services (SCDHS) inspection in 2001, two unknown drums and 55-gallon pails of inks and paints were found to be stored indoors from previous operations. There was also a 275-gallon above-ground fuel oil tank and an unused indoor 275-gallon above-ground tank.

Operable Units: The site was divided into two operable units. An operable unit represents a portion of a remedial program for a site that for technical and administrative reasons can be addressed separately to investigate, eliminate or mitigate a release, threat of release or exposure pathway resulting from the site contamination. Operable Unit 1 (OU1) is the on-site source area. OU2 consists of the off-site groundwater and soil vapor contamination. A State-funded OU1 Remedial Investigation is currently in progress.

Site Geology and Hydrogeology: The on-site and off-site consists of mainly sandy soils. The groundwater table is shallow (9' below ground surface) and flows in a southerly direction. A confining layer exists at around 70 - 80 feet below ground surface.

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

http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/haz/details.cfm?pageid=3&progno=152201

**State Superfund Program:** New York's State Superfund Program (SSF) identifies and characterizes suspected inactive hazardous waste disposal sites. Sites that pose a significant threat to public health and/or the environment go through a process of investigation, evaluation, cleanup and monitoring.

NYSDEC attempts to identify parties responsible for site contamination and require cleanup before committing State funds.

For more information about the SSF, visit: <a href="http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html">http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html</a>

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

#### Where to Find Information

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

Copiague Memorial Public Library 50 Deauville Blvd Copiague, NY 11726 (631) 691-1111

#### **Who to Contact**

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

**Project Related Questions** 

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As a listsery 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.

