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Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator and at these location(s):

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/231117/>

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For more information about New York's
Manufactured Gas Plant Program, visit:
www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/24904.html

FACT SHEET

Manufactured Gas Plant Program
Site

Consolidated Edison
York Avenue Station MGP
York Avenue,
New York, NY 10065

May 2021

SITE No. 231117
NYSDEC REGION 2

Notice of Availability: Decision Document

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) announces that it has issued the Decision Document (DD) for the York Avenue Station site ("site"), a former Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP) Holder Station, located at York Avenue between 61st and 63rd Streets, New York, New York County. Please see the map for the site location.

The DD presents the remedy selected to address contamination related to the site and why the remedy was chosen.

On March 25, 2021 NYSDEC released the Proposed Decision Document (PDD) presenting the Proposed Remedy for the site. The comments received during the public comment period (March 25, 2021 through May 8, 2021) were considered in preparing the final DD for the site.

- Access the DD and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/231117/>
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to find information."

Decision Document: The following is a summary of the chosen remedy described in the DD:

- Maintaining the existing site cover which consists of buildings, asphalt, and concrete sidewalks;
- An environmental easement will be placed on a portion of the site, which will allow the use and development of the controlled property for restricted residential, commercial and industrial uses (consistent with current zoning laws), and restrict the use of groundwater as a source of potable or process water; and
- A Site Management Plan will be established, which will detail the requirements for cover system inspection and maintenance, and future excavations. This plan will also require that, when a parcel(s) that comprises the site becomes accessible, the responsible party will conduct additional investigation, and, if required based on investigative findings, development of a remedial work plan for that parcel.

MANUFACTURED GAS PLANT PROGRAM

Site Description: The former York Avenue Station site is located on the west side of York Avenue, from East 61st to East 63rd Street, and on a portion of a parcel on the east side of York Avenue, between East 63rd and East 62nd Streets, in the Borough of Manhattan in New York City. The site was a former Manufactured Gas Plant holder site. No gas manufacturing processes were conducted. The site was operational between 1874 and 1948, at which time the structures were removed. Between 1949 and 1960 the parcels were redeveloped into the current residential and commercial uses.

Summary of the Investigation: Investigations performed to date at the site have found both volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) in the subsurface soils and groundwater that exceed their respective soil cleanup objectives (SCOs) and groundwater standards. The remedy discussed above is intended to address the identified contamination.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, 231117) at: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/xtapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>

MGP Program Overview: New York's MGP Program oversees the investigation and cleanup of former MGP sites. Sites where contamination has been released to the environment go through a process of investigation, evaluation, cleanup and monitoring.

The gas manufacturing process involved the heating of coal and/or petroleum products to produce a gas mixture. Once cooled and purified, the gas was distributed through a local pipeline network. The gas was used for heating and cooking much like natural gas is used today. In the early years, the gas was also used for lighting in homes and in streetlights.

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

For more information about the MGPs, visit: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8430.html>

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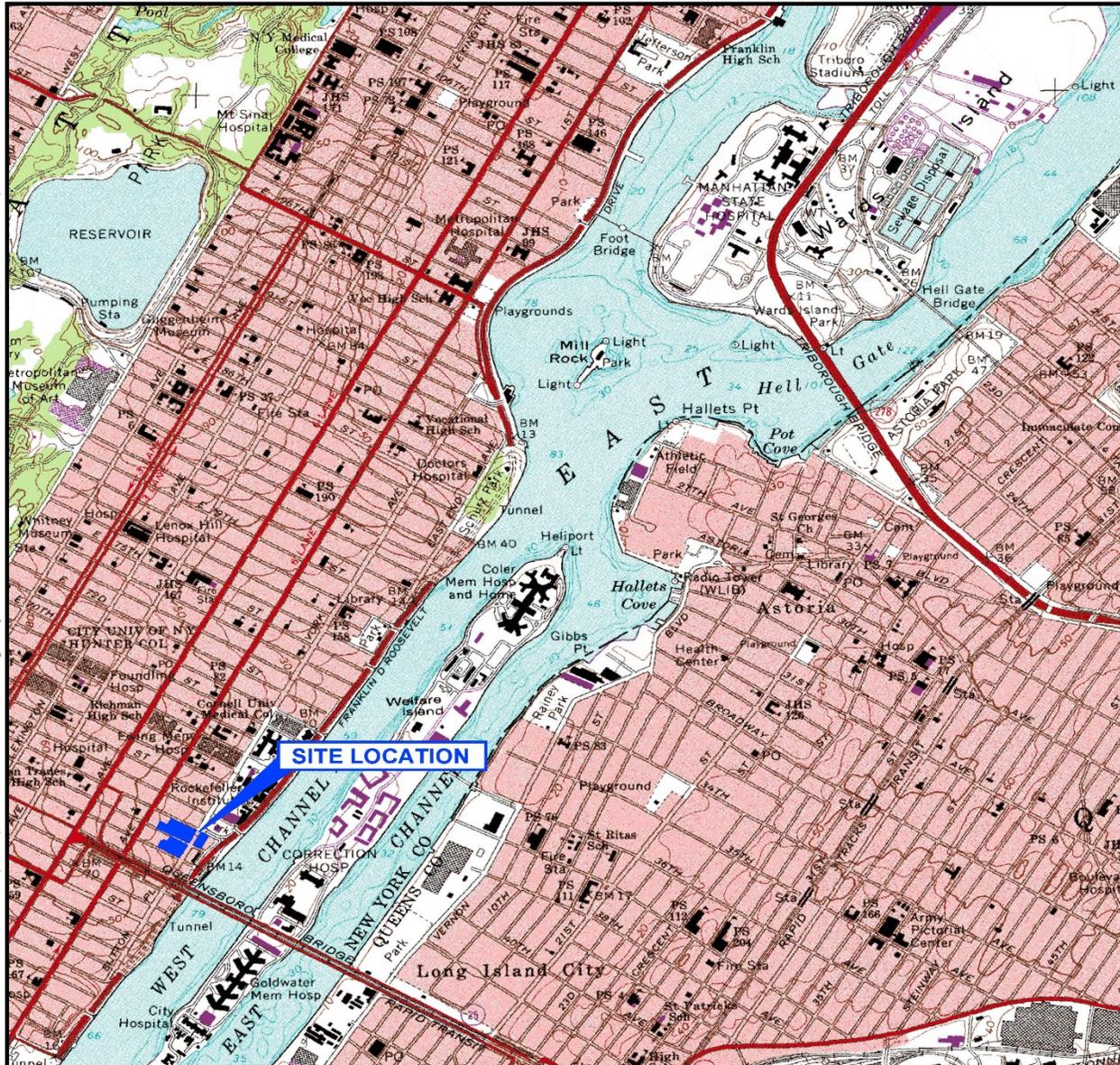
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DECinfo Locator

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 Map



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SITE LOCATION MAP

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