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Public Comment Invited About Proposed Remedy to Address Contamination at State Superfund Site on Astoria Blvd., East Elmhurst; Public Meeting Announced

The following link opens a fact sheet that invites public comment about a proposed remedy to address contamination related to the **Former Drape Master Site #241114 (East Elmhurst, Queens)** within New York's State Superfund Program:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/data/der/factsheet/241114cuprop.pdf>

NYSDEC is accepting public comments about the proposal through October 24, 2018. In addition, NYSDEC has scheduled a **public meeting on October 18, 2018 at 7:00 PM** at VFW Post 2477, 89-07 Astoria Blvd., East Elmhurst, NY to discuss the proposed remedy and accept public comments. Please see fact sheet for details about the proposed remedy, meeting, and comment period.

The fact sheet is in PDF format. You can save, open, and read the fact sheet by using Adobe Acrobat Reader. If you do not have Adobe Acrobat Reader, you can go to the following web page on the NYSDEC web site to download the program: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/about/590.html>

Please do not respond to this email. Replies go to an untended mailbox. If you have questions about the contaminated site identified above, please use the contact information provided in the fact sheet.

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

Queens Library Langston Hughes
100-01 Northern Boulevard
Corona, NY 11368
(718) 651-1100

Queens Community Board #3
82-11 37th Avenue, Suite 606
Jackson Heights, NY 11372
(718) 458-2707

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

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For more information about New York's
State Superfund Program, visit:
www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html

FACT SHEET

State Superfund Program

Former Drape Master
89-01 Astoria Boulevard
East Elmhurst, NY 11369

September 2018

SITE No. 241114
NYSDEC REGION 2

Remedy Proposed for State Superfund Site; Public Comment Period and Public Meeting Announced

Public Meeting, Thursday 10/18/2018 at 7:00 PM
VFW Post 2477, 89-07 Astoria Blvd., East Elmhurst, NY 11369

NYSDEC invites you to a public meeting to discuss the 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 remedy being proposed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to address contamination related to the Former Drape Master site ("site") located at 89-01 Astoria Boulevard, East Elmhurst, NY. 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." The estimated cost to implement the remedy is \$444,000.

How to Comment: NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan for 30 days, from **September 24 through October 24, 2018**. The proposed plan is available for public review at the location(s) 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.

The site is listed as a Class "2" site in the State Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal 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:

- In-situ (in-place) groundwater treatment through chemical reduction: In-situ chemical reduction (ISCR) will be implemented by injecting a treatment product into the contaminated groundwater to treat tetrachloroethene (PCE), trichloroethene (TCE) and cis-1,2-dichloroethene (cis-1,2-DCE);
- Maintenance of the existing site cover;
- Vapor Mitigation: An active basement ventilation system will be installed in the on-site laundromat building;
- All cracks and openings in the basement of the on-site building, as well as the existing sump, will require proper sealing;
- Installation of a water treatment system to treat contaminated sump water before discharging it into the sewer and/or storm drain;

- Implementation of a Site Management Plan (SMP) for long term maintenance of the remedial systems; and
- Recording of an Environmental Easement or deed restriction to ensure proper use of the site.

NYSDEC developed the proposed remedy after reviewing the detailed investigation of the site and evaluating the remedial options in a "Feasibility Study" which identified, screened and evaluated remedial alternatives.

Next Steps: NYSDEC will consider public comments as it finalizes the 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 detailed design of the selected remedy will then be prepared, and the cleanup will be performed.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Site Description: The site is approximately 5,200 square feet and is located at the northeast corner of the intersection of Astoria Boulevard and 89th Street in East Elmhurst. There is a two-story brick building with a full basement at the site. The on-site building is used as a commercial laundromat on the ground floor, and residential apartments on the second floor. Previously, from 1983 until 2004, the site was used as a dry-cleaning facility.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database by entering the Site ID (241114) at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>

Summary of the Investigation: The primary contaminants of concern at the site are tetrachloroethene (PCE) and its

degradation products, trichloroethene (TCE) and cis-1,2-dichloroethene (1,2-DCE), which are present in groundwater and in soil vapor. Groundwater impacts extend to the north, west, south and southeast of the Former Drape Master Site.

State Superfund Program Overview: 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:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html>

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Receive Site Fact Sheets by Email

Have site information such as this fact sheet sent right to your email inbox. NYSDEC invites you to sign up with one or more contaminated sites county email listservs at:

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.

Note: Please disregard if you already have signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.

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Site Location Map

