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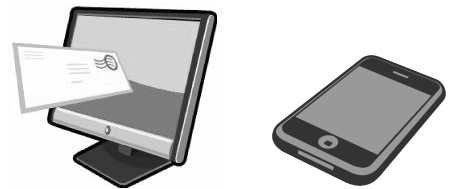
DEC's Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) now distributes information about contaminated sites *electronically by email*.

If you would like to continue to receive information about the contaminated site featured in this fact sheet:

You must sign up for the DER email listserv:

www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

DER cannot register your email address - only the email address owner can do so. If you already have signed up for the listserv for the county in which the site is located, you need do nothing.



Why You Should Go “Paperless”:

- ☒ Get site information faster and share it easily;
- ☒ Receive information about all sites in a chosen county - read what you want, delete the rest;
- ☒ It helps the environment and stretches your tax dollars.

If “paperless” is not an option for you, call or write to the DER project manager identified in this fact sheet. Indicate that you need to receive paper copies of fact sheets through the Postal Service. Include the site name in your correspondence. The option to receive paper is available to individuals only. Groups, organizations, businesses, and government entities are assumed to have email access.



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Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the
DECinfo Locator

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/336077/> and at these location(s):

Howland Public Library

313 Main Street
Beacon NY 12508
(845) 831-1134

Key project documents and project
summary also are available on the
NYSDEC website at:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/336077/>

*(Physical repositories may be temporarily
unavailable due to COVID-19 precautions.
If you cannot access the online repository,
please contact the NYSDEC project
manager listed below for assistance)*

Who to Contact

Comments and questions are 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

251 Walsh Road
251 Walsh Avenue
New Windsor, NY 12553

SITE No. 336077
NYSDEC REGION 3

June 2021

Investigation to Begin at State Superfund Site

The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) will soon begin a detailed environmental study at the 251 Walsh Road site ("site") located at 251 Walsh Avenue, New Windsor, Orange County. Please see the map for the site location.

Investigation Work Plan: The investigation work plan, called a "Remedial Investigation Work Plan (RIWP)," was developed and submitted by a NYSDEC consultant, HRP Associates, under New York's State Superfund Program. 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. NYSDEC and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) will oversee the investigation.

- Access the RIWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/336077/>.
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."

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

Past investigations in the area have determined that chlorinated solvent contamination exists at the site. Tetrachloroethene (PCE), trichloroethene (TCE) and other chlorinated compounds were detected in overburden soil and groundwater. PCE and TCE contamination is often associated with electronics manufacturing operations.

Key components of the investigation work include:

- Installing and sampling of soil borings to identify possible on-site sources of contamination;
- Collecting soil vapor, sub-slab soil vapor and indoor air samples;
- Installing and sampling groundwater wells to monitor impacts from areas of concern on-site;
- Sampling nearby surface water to monitor impacts to any sensitive receptors;

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Next Steps: The information collected during the investigation will be summarized in a report. After the site investigation is complete, HRP, with oversight provided by NYSDEC will conduct a "Feasibility Study." This study uses information developed during the site investigation to develop and evaluate potential ways to clean up contamination related to the site. The information collected during the site investigation may also support the conclusion that no action, or no further action, is needed to address site-related contamination. NYSDEC will then develop a draft cleanup plan, called a "Proposed Remedial Action Plan." This plan describes the remedy preferred by NYSDEC, or, if warranted, a proposal for no action or no further action.

The draft cleanup plan explains the decision that led to the preferred remedy by discussing each alternative and the reasons for choosing or rejecting it. The goal of the plan will be to ensure the protection of public health and the environment. NYSDEC will announce the availability of the draft cleanup plan in a future fact sheet, and will present it to the public for its review and comment during a 30-day comment period and at a public meeting.

Site Description: 251 Walsh Road is located at the northeast corner of Walsh Avenue and John Street. The site is located in a mixed-use industrial, commercial, and residential area. The site contains one 18,000 square foot building centrally located on the property. The remainder of the property is mostly paved with some minor landscaping in the front of the building. The site slopes gently to the north but drops off rapidly along the northern boundary. Site drainage flows overland northward towards the adjacent property and then to Quassaic Creek, which is located 1,000 feet to the north of the site. The property is currently zoned industrial.

The facility manufactured electronic components between the 1940s and the 1970s. The electronic parts were reportedly cleaned with solvents. Solvents were reportedly stored on-site in a shed that was located on the north side of the building.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, 336077) at:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/external/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>

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 before committing State funds for investigation and cleanup.

For more information about the SSF, visit:

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

We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.

Stay Informed With DEC Delivers

Sign up to receive site updates by email:

www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

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

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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