

Department of Environmental Conservation

### Where to Find Information:

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

## Village of Green Island

20 Clinton Street Village of Green Island, NY 12183 (518) 273-2201 Call for hours

## **NYSDEC, Central Office**

625 Broadway Albany, NY 12207 Call in advance: (518) 402-8644 Hours: Mon. to Fri. 8AM to 4 PM

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For additional information on the New York's Superfund Program, visit:

www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html

## **FACT SHEET**

**Superfund Program** 

R. Freedman & Son Tibbits Avenue Green Island, NY 12183

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SITE No. 401033 NYSDEC REGION 4

# **Environmental Cleanup and Supplemental Investigation to Begin at Superfund Site**

Remedial action is about to begin that will address contamination related to the R. Freedman & Son Site (site) located on the northwest corner of Tibbits Avenue and Cannon Street in the village of Green Island under New York State's Superfund Program. The cleanup activities will be performed and paid for by Eastern Metal Recycling (owner) with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). The approved Interim Remedial Measure/Remedial Investigation Work Plan (IRM/RIWP) and other documents related to the cleanup of the site can be found at the document repositories identified in the box to the left under "Where to Find Information." Remedial activities are expected to commence in winter 2018/2019 and are expected to last approximately five months.

## <u>Highlights of the Upcoming Activities</u>: The key components of the IRM/RIWP are:

- Excavation and off-site disposal of soils exceeding residential use soil cleanup objectives (RUSCOs) within the right-of-way along Tibbits Avenue (see figure). End-point samples will be collected and analyzed in advance of placement of clean backfill to the original grade;
- Excavation and off-site disposal of soils exceeding industrial use soil cleanup objectives (IUSCOs) within the site property. Endpoint samples will be collected and analyzed in advance of placement of clean backfill;
- Decommissioning and dismantling of the remaining sorting equipment and a former truck tire wash pit;
- Inspection, cleaning, and off-site disposal of existing containerized hydraulic fluids/oils, gasoline, and other stored automotive fluids;
- Soil sampling beneath the former vehicle dismantling and crushing areas to further define the nature and extent of contamination at the site:
- Implementation of a community air monitoring plan (CAMP) during all ground intrusive activities; and
- Preparation of a final report documenting the performance of the IRM and the investigation results.

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A site-specific health and safety plan and a community air monitoring plan will be implemented during the cleanup. The two plans establish procedures for the protection of on-site workers and residents and include required air monitoring as well as dust and odor suppression measures.

Next Steps: After the owner completes the cleanup activities, they will prepare an IRM Construction Completion Report that will describe the cleanup activities and certify that cleanup requirements have been achieved or will be achieved. The owner will also prepare a supplemental Remedial Investigation Report that will document sampling results. A Feasibility Study will also be prepared which will include the identification, screening, and evaluation of remedial actions needed to address any remaining contamination. These reports will be reviewed by NYSDEC in consultation with the NYSDOH.

Site Description: The site is located on the northwest corner of the intersection of Tibbits Avenue and Cannon Street and is identified as tax parcel No. 21.13-1-2. The site is 11.8 acres in size and is located within a primarily industrial/commercial area, with residences located to the south. The site is fenced with one active entrance off Cannon Street. Most of the open areas of the site have been covered with approximately eight inches of a compacted recycled concrete aggregate from an off-site source. Site contamination consisting of polychlorinated biphenyl's (PCBs) and metals is attributed to historical scrap metal and vehicle dismantling operations. An IRM was performed in the late 1980s after PCBs were found leaking from transformers onto a concrete pad and into the surrounding soils. The transformers and PCB-contaminated soils were removed, and the concrete pad was cleaned and encapsulated with four inches of

reinforced concrete. A site location map is attached. Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's environmental site remediation database (by entering the Site ID, 401033) at:

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**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: http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.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 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 have already signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.

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