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NYSDEC Invites Public Comment About Cleanup Proposal for State Superfund Site on State St., Schenectady; Public Meeting Scheduled

This link opens a fact sheet that invites public comment about a proposed remedy to address contamination related to the **Mid-Town Laundry Site #447048 (Schenectady, Schenectady County)** within New York's State Superfund Program:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/der/factsheet/447048cuprop.pdf>

NYSDEC is accepting public comments about the proposal through March 27, 2020.

NYSDEC also has scheduled a public meeting on March 25, 2020 at 6:00 PM at Phyllis Bornt Branch Library & Literacy Center, 948 State Street, Schenectady, NY 12307 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:

<https://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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FACT SHEET

State Superfund Program

Mid-Town Laundry
1122-1124 State Street
Schenectady, NY 12304

SITE No. 447048
NYSDEC REGION 4

February 2020

Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator and at this location:

Phyllis Bornt Branch Library
948 State Street
Schenectady, NY 12307
(518) 372-4393

Who to Contact

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

Project-Related Questions

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For more information about New York's State Superfund Program, visit:

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

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

Public Meeting, Wednesday 3/25/20 at 6:00 PM
Phyllis Bornt Branch Library & Literacy Center
948 State Street, Schenectady, NY 12307

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 (DEC) in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (DOH) to address contamination related to the Mid-Town Laundry site located at 1122-1124 State Street, Schenectady. Please see the map for the site location. DEC is overseeing the implementation of the cleanup, which is estimated to cost \$1,358,000.

How to Comment: DEC is accepting written comments about the proposed cleanup plan, called a Proposed Remedial Action Plan (PRAP) for 30 days, from **February 26** through **March 27, 2020**. Please submit comments to the DEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area at left.

- Access the PRAP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/447048/>.
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."

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. DEC is proposing a comprehensive cleanup that addresses these threats and ensures the site will be fully protective of public health and the environment. The Proposed Remedial Action Plan includes:

- Installation and operation of a Soil Vapor Extraction and Air Sparging system (SVE/AS) to remove contaminants of concern in subsurface soil, groundwater, and soil vapor to prevent public exposure;
- Continued soil vapor intrusion (SVI) investigation, monitoring, and mitigation in the study area;

- Sealing the foundation walls/slab of the on-site building to ensure the remedial system's effectiveness and to prevent contaminant exposure to occupants;
- Collecting and analyzing soil vapor and post-remedial groundwater samples to evaluate the effectiveness of the remedy;
- Implementing a Site Management Plan (SMP) for long-term maintenance of the remedial systems and site monitoring; and
- Recording of an Environmental Easement to restrict use of the property, prohibit groundwater use, and enforce the SMP.

DEC developed the proposed remedy after reviewing the detailed investigation of the site and evaluating the remedial options in the "Feasibility Study."

Next Steps: DEC 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 includes DEC's response to public comments. A detailed design of the selected remedy will then be prepared, and the cleanup will be performed with stringent DEC oversight.

DEC will continue to keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Site Description:

The Mid-Town Laundry site is located at 1122-1124 State Street in Schenectady and is 0.227 acres in size. The site is situated in an urban area with both residential and commercial properties nearby. The site is relatively flat and includes two abutting and occupied commercial buildings currently being used as a restaurant and a laundromat. The remainder of the site is paved, with parking in front and back.

The site operated as a dry-cleaning facility from approximately 1969 to 1987 and utilized a solvent called tetrachloroethene or PCE. The site was previously investigated as part of the Brandywine Plume track down which identified groundwater contaminant plumes associated with the Mid-Town Laundry site, and the neighboring State Superfund site at Former Marlou Formal Wear (DEC Site No. 447040).

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on DEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering site ID 447048) at: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/external/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>

Summary of the Investigation: The primary contaminants of concern at the site are chlorinated volatile organic compounds (cVOCs) which are present sitewide in soil, groundwater and soil vapor. The potential source area is beneath the northwest corner of the onsite building.

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>

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: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html>

STATE SUPERFUND PROGRAM

Approximate Site Location

Mid-Town Laundry

Site ID: 447048

1122-1124 State Street, Schenectady, NY 12304

