



# FACT SHEET

## State Superfund Program

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**Site Name:** Batavia Iron and Metal Company, Inc.  
**DEC Site #:** 819018  
**Address:** 301 Bank Street  
Batavia, NY 14020

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## DEC ANNOUNCES START OF CLEANUP ON CITY PROPERTY NEAR FORMER BATAVIA IRON AND METAL CO.

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is initiating a cleanup, beginning in August 2017, of a City of Batavia (City) property located at 299 Bank Street which is adjacent to the Former Batavia Iron and Metal Company, Inc. Site, located at 301 Bank Street in Batavia, Genesee County (see attached Figure),. Based on the April 2013 Record of Decision, the cleanup includes removal of contaminated soil and debris and from on-site and parcels located near the former facility.

The Site operated as a metal recycling facility from 1951 to 1999. Batavia Iron and Metal also purchased and handled electrical transformers on the property. Two furnaces operated at the facility from the early 1970s until 1994 for the purpose of reclaiming wire and smelting white metals. Prior to the use of the furnaces, the facility utilized open burning in dumpsters in the yard to remove insulation from the wiring. DEC is designing and implementing this cleanup to remove the contaminants that have migrated from the Site onto City property. As part of the remedy, installation of sub slab depressurization systems at 3 residences near the Site was completed in 2013. In addition, a cleanup involving soil removal at 3 residences was completed in 2014.

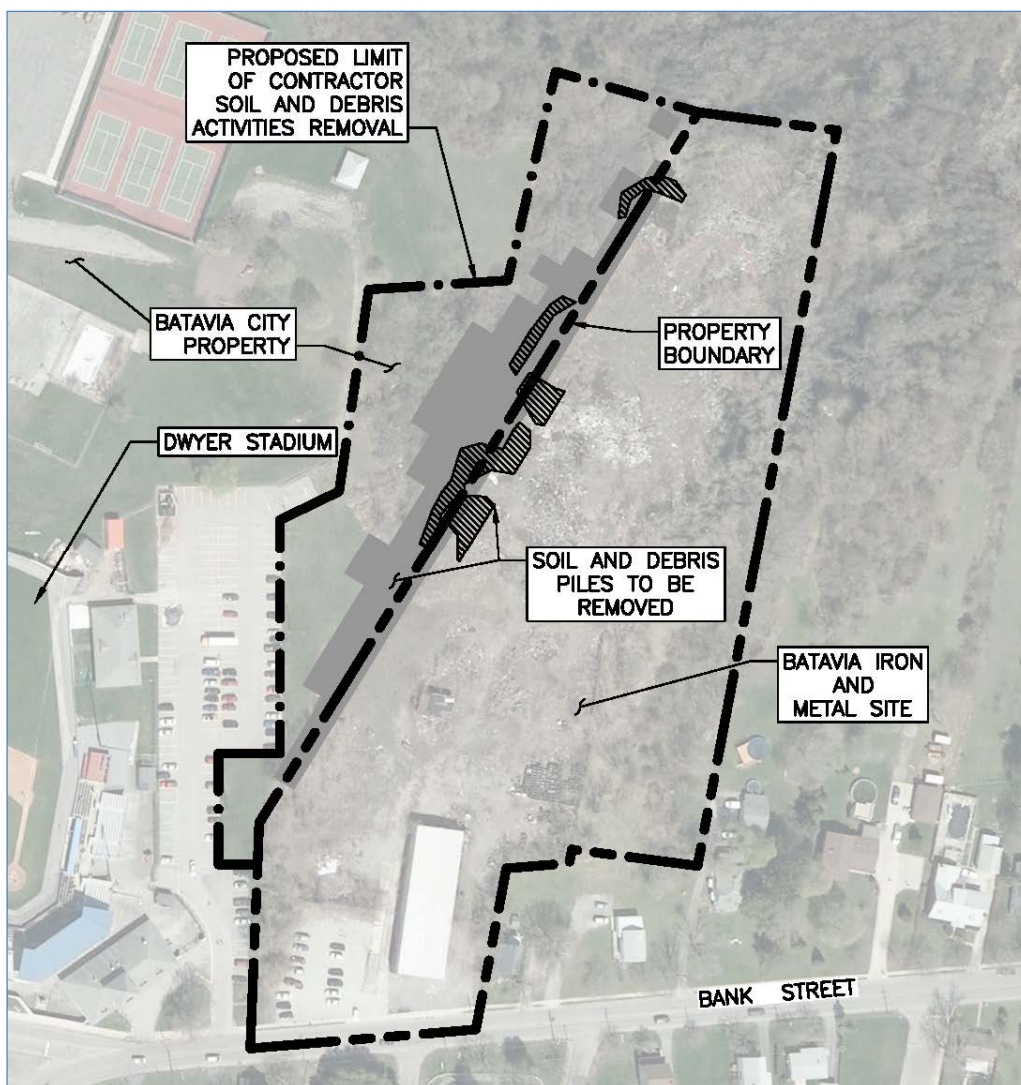
Beginning in August, soil removal and restoration activities will begin along the rear property boundary of 299 Bank Street and 301 Bank Street. The goal of the cleanup effort is to ensure the effective removal and proper disposal of contaminated soil and to restore the property with clean soil.

The current work is scheduled to be continue into early December 2017, weather permitting. Operations will typically take place five days per week (Monday through Friday) generally between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The activities will be performed by Nature's Way Environmental of Alden, New York, with oversight and inspection provided by DEC.

Soil identified for remediation will be excavated and disposed of off-site. All areas that are disturbed during the removal will be restored. Similarly, any City of Batavia owned roads, utilities, or other infrastructure impacted by the cleanup activities will also be repaired or replaced as necessary. Trucks will be lined with plastic sheeting and covered to properly secure all material during transport. Truck traffic patterns will be designed to minimize congestion on local roads and maintain safety in the community. Truck traffic will also be minimized when school buses are picking up and dropping off students near work zones. DEC and the New York State Department of Health have approved a Community Air Monitoring Plan which requires continuous air monitoring during all excavation and backfilling activities to ensure no additional contamination is released to the environment or adjacent properties during the cleanup.

Following completion of the offsite cleanup this fall, the DEC will focus its attention on initiating onsite surficial cleanup in 2018.

The project is being funded and conducted pursuant to terms of the State Superfund program. Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on DEC's website at: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/37556.html>.



**Figure 1 - Site Location, Batavia Iron and Metal Site No. 819018  
Batavia, Genesee County, New York**

## 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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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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## FOR MORE INFORMATION

### Where to Find Information

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

#### Richmond Memorial Library

19 Ross Street  
Batavia, New York 14020  
Phone: 585-343-0550

<http://www.batavialibrary.org/>

#### New York State DEC Region 8 Office

6274 East Avon-Lima Road  
Avon, New York 14414  
Phone: 585-226-5353

Please call for an appointment.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on DEC's website at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/x/xtapps/derexternal/haz/details.cfm?pageid=3>

## WHO TO CONTACT: ?

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

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