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Dear Interested Citizen:

The purpose of this Fact Sheet is to announce the start of a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study at the Modock Road Springs site. If you have any questions or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact:

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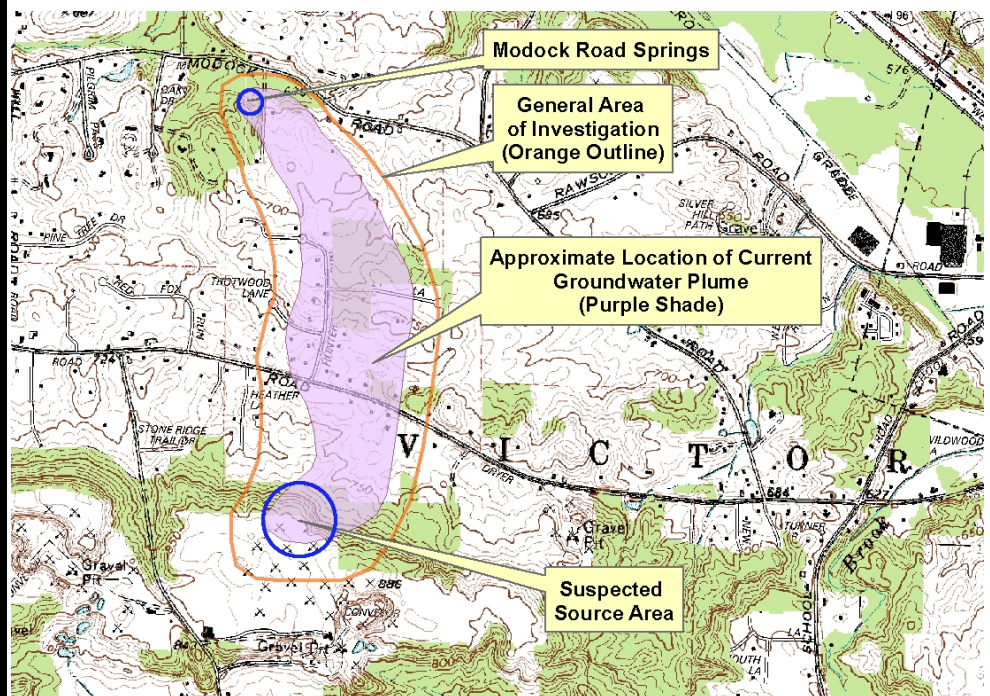
# FACT SHEET

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## ENVIRONMENTAL INVESTIGATION TO BEGIN AT MODOCK ROAD SPRINGS - DLS SAND & GRAVEL, INC. SITE - VICTOR, NY Inactive Hazardous Waste Site# 8-35-013 JANUARY 2007

### Introduction

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) are issuing this fact sheet to announce the start of an environmental investigation at the Modock Road Springs - DLS Sand & Gravel, Inc. site, located in the Town of Victor, Ontario County, New York (see orange outline on map). As described below, sampling of community water supplies in 1990 identified contamination in groundwater discharging at the Modock Road Springs. Following identification, the Village of Victor connected to the Monroe County Water Authority for a water supply and the NYSDEC completed several investigations to identify a source, to define limits, and to assess possible exposures to the contamination. Starting in early 2007, the NYSDEC and the NYSDOH will be performing additional investigation work at the Modock Road Springs Site as part of what is called a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS).



### Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study

The Remedial Investigation or RI phase of the upcoming RI/FS will determine the nature and extent of contamination as well as potential threats to public health and the environment. As part of the investigation, various environmental media (including groundwater, surface water, soil, air, and soil

vapors) will be sampled and analyzed by a laboratory. Based on data collected during the RI, the Feasibility Study or FS will evaluate possible approaches to cleanup the site. At the conclusion of the RI/FS, the NYSDEC will propose a remedy to address clean up of site contamination. Following consideration of public comments on the proposed cleanup plan and its alternatives, the NYSDEC will select a remedy and implement it. Copies of the workplan describing the RI/FS in more detail are located in the Document Repositories listed at the end of this Fact Sheet.

As part of the upcoming RI, the following field activities are expected between January - August 2007:

1. Indoor Air Sampling - Complete indoor, sub-slab, and ambient (outdoor) air sampling and analysis to evaluate indoor air quality at buildings located near the groundwater plume. This is likely to be completed during February - March, 2007;
2. Shallow Soil Vapor Monitoring - Complete a shallow soil vapor survey to assist with defining the contamination source area;
3. Drilling Program - Complete subsurface soil testing and installation of groundwater monitoring wells to determine the presence of contaminants, define a specific source area, and determine the area's geologic and hydrogeologic characteristics; and
4. Groundwater Sampling Program - Collection and laboratory analysis of groundwater and surface water samples to assess contaminant distribution and migration and to define the groundwater plume limits.

## **Site History and Environmental Background**

The following provides a brief historical overview of the Modock Road Springs Site and some of the major findings from previous environmental investigations at the site:

- In 1990, NYS-mandated sampling of community water supplies revealed the presence of trichloroethene (TCE), 1,1,1-trichloroethane (TCA) and 1,1-dichloroethene (DCE) in the eastern springs on Modock Road. These compounds are types of degreasing solvents that have commonly been used for industrial purposes;
- Following discovery of the contamination, the Village of Victor connected to the Monroe County Water Authority (MCWA) drinking water supply. Lake Ontario represents the source for the MCWA drinking water supply;
- The NYSDEC, NYSDOH, and owner of Syracuse Sand and Gravel completed investigations to identify a source for the contaminants, define the limits of the contamination, and assess possible exposure routes to the contamination;
- Based on the investigations, groundwater contamination extends over one mile from an area south of Dryer Road to the Modock Road Springs (see map on 1<sup>st</sup> page). The southern extent and source of the contamination is currently unknown, but will be addressed as part of the RI/FS described above;
- Based on results of the investigations the Modock Road Springs site was listed as a Class 2 site in the New York State Registry for Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Sites in June of 2001. A Class 2 site means the site poses a threat to the public health or environment and cleanup action is required; and
- As described above, the NYSDEC will be completing an RI/FS with field activities starting in January 2007.

## **Document Repository**

Public understanding and involvement are important to the success of New York's hazardous waste remedial program. To keep you informed, NYSDEC distributes fact sheets, similar to this one, and we place site documents for your review in a local repository. Also available in the repository is the Citizen Participation Plan which describes activities to keep you informed and involved during the investigation and cleanup of the site. You are encouraged to give your comments and suggestions. Your understanding and involvement can help ensure a

cleanup program that effectively protects public health and the environment. The NYSDEC has established Document Repositories for the Modock Road Springs - DLS Sand & Gravel, Inc. site at the following locations:

<p>Victor Free Library 15 West Main Street Victor, NY 14564 (585) 924-2637 Hours: M-Th 10-9 F 10-6, Sat 10-4, Sun 2-4 (Contact Patricia Evans for an appointment)</p>	<p>By appointment at: NYSDEC Central Office 625 Broadway Albany, N.Y. 12233-7013 (518) 402-9818 -or- (888) 459-8667</p>	<p>By appointment at: NYSDEC Region 8 Office 6274 E Avon-Lima Road Avon, N.Y. 14414 (585) 226-5326 (Contact Lisa LoMaestro Silvestri for an appointment)</p>
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