

**FACT SHEET****Environmental Restoration
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Site Name: 815 River Road Investigation
DEC Site #: B00178
Address: 815 River Road
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

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DEC Certifies Cleanup Requirements Achieved at Municipal Brownfield Site; Final Engineering Report Approved

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has determined that the cleanup requirements to address contamination related to the 815 River Road Investigation site ("site") located at 815 River Road, North Tonawanda, Niagara County under New York State's Environmental Restoration Program have been or will be met. Please see the map for the site location.

DEC has issued a Certificate of Completion regarding the site. A copy of the Certificate of Completion is available at the location(s) identified below under "Where to Find Information."

The cleanup activities were performed by City of North Tonawanda with oversight provided by DEC.

Final Engineering Report Approved

DEC has approved the Final Engineering Report, which:

- 1) Describes the cleanup activities completed.
- 2) Certifies that cleanup requirements have been or will be achieved for the site.
- 3) Describes any institutional/engineering controls to be used. An *institutional control* is a non-physical restriction on use of the site, such as a deed restriction, when contamination left over after the cleanup action makes the site suitable for some, but not all uses. An *engineering control* is a physical barrier or method to manage contamination such as a cap or vapor barrier.
- 4) Certifies that a site management plan for any engineering controls used at the site has been approved by DEC.

The following institutional controls have been or will be put in place on the site:

- Site Management Plan
- Groundwater Use Restriction
- Land Use Restriction

No engineering controls have been or will be put in place on the site.

Background

Location:

This site is located at 815 River Road in the City of North Tonawanda; Niagara County.

Site Features:

The site consists of a 0.86 acre parcel which was used by a company that leased and maintained school buses. The site is located on the east side of River Road in the City of North Tonawanda in a commercial and industrial area. The City of North Tonawanda Wastewater Treatment Plant is located directly across River Road to the west, and the Niagara River is located to the west of that. To the immediate east of the site is a rail line, and beyond that is the former and remediated Roblin Steel site (ID No. B00025). Properties to the north and south of 815 River Road are used for concrete and asphalt recycling. The current use of 815 River Road is stockpiling of used asphalt and concrete. Unused decorative stone and gravel are also stockpiled.

Historical Use:

The site contained numerous underground storage tanks that resulted in oil and petroleum impacts to site soils and groundwater. A site investigation commenced in 2002 using the State's Environmental Restoration Program (ERP). In 2003-2004, the City removed 14 underground storage tanks and associated contaminated soils. This work was done as an Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) under the ERP, but the IRM and site investigation work was discontinued by the City in 2004. The City resumed and completed the site investigation and IRM activities in 2007. Approximately 7,700 tons of contaminated soil were removed from the site and properly disposed. Future use of the site is for commercial redevelopment.

The Site Investigation/Remedial Alternatives Report, Final Engineering Report, and Site Management Plan were submitted in June 2008. The SI/RAR and Final Engineering Report have been approved.

A No Further Action Record of Decision (ROD) was signed on December 30, 2008. Post remediation groundwater monitoring has been conducted as required by the ROD. This sampling showed minimal exceedances of groundwater standards and therefore has been discontinued. Annual certification, documenting that the site is in conformance with its intended use, is required.

The Environmental Easement, dated November 5, 2014, has also been placed on the property to memorialize the institutional controls required for the site. The Site Management Plan is complete and approved and a Certificate of Completion was issued for the project dated December 30, 2014.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on DEC's website at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/51254.html> and <http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/xtapps/derexternal/haz/details.cfm?pageid=3&progno=B00178>

Environmental Restoration Program: New York's Environmental Restoration Program (ERP) reimburses municipalities for their costs to investigate and clean up municipality owned contaminated properties. Once cleaned up, the properties may be redeveloped for commercial, industrial, residential or public use.

A brownfield is any real property that is difficult to reuse or redevelop because of the presence or potential presence of contamination.

For more information about the ERP, visit: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8444.html>

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Where to Find Information

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

North Tonawanda Public Library
505 Meadow Drive
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Who to Contact

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

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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.

Site Location
815 River Road Site
ERP No. B00178
City of North Tonawanda, New York

