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## Act Now to Continue Receiving Information About This Site!

DEC's Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) now distributes information about contaminated sites *electronically by email*.

If you would like to continue to receive information about the contaminated site featured in this fact sheet:

**You must sign up for the DER email listserv:**

[www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html)

DER cannot register your email address - only the email address owner can do so. If you already have signed up for the listserv for the county in which the site is located, you need do nothing.



**Why You Should Go “Paperless”:**

- ⚙ Get site information faster and share it easily;
- ⚙ Receive information about all sites in a chosen county - read what you want, delete the rest;
- ⚙ It helps the environment and stretches your tax dollars.

**If “paperless” is not an option for you**, call or write to the DER project manager identified in this fact sheet. Indicate that you need to receive paper copies of fact sheets through the Postal Service. Include the site name in your correspondence. The option to receive paper is available to individuals only. Groups, organizations, businesses, and government entities are assumed to have email access.

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FACT SHEET Brownfield Cleanup Program

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Site Name: 198 East 135th Street
DEC Site #: C203084
Address: 198 East 135th Street
Bronx, NY 10451

Have questions? See "Who to Contact" Below

Report Recommends Cleanup of Brownfield Site Contamination

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) is reviewing the Remedial Investigation Report for the 198 East 135th Street site ("site") located at 198 East 135th Street, Bronx, NY. Please see the map for the site location. Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the location(s) identified below under "Where to Find Information."

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's website at: http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/xtapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3 Enter the site code (located above, next to "DEC Site #", then click on "Submit".

Remedial Investigation Report

NYSDEC is reviewing the "Remedial Investigation Report" that was submitted by Deegan 135 Realty LLC ("applicant(s)"). The report describes the results of the site investigation and recommends development of a remedy to address the contamination that was found.

Highlights of the Remedial Investigation Report

Poly-cyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and metals were found to be present in subsurface soils at concentrations above use-specific soil cleanup objectives. The PAHs and metals are present at depths up to 16 feet below grade and are likely the result of past site uses and historic fill, which is present throughout the site.

Next Steps

NYSDEC will complete its review, make any necessary revisions and, if appropriate, approve the investigation report. The approved report will be made available to the public (see "Where to Find Information" below). The applicant(s) may then develop a cleanup plan, called a "Remedial Work Plan." This plan describes how contamination will be addressed, with NYSDEC and NYSDOH overseeing the work. NYSDEC will present the draft cleanup plan to the public for its review and comment during a 45-day comment period.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Background

**Location:**

The site is located in an urban area of the Bronx, NY. The property is located approximately 250 feet northwest of the intersection of East 135th Street and 3rd Avenue.

**Site Features:**

The property is vacant and used to store vehicles associated with a storage/moving company located adjacent to the property. The Harlem River is located approximately 500 feet to the southwest.

**Current Zoning and Land Use:**

The site is currently inactive, and is zoned for mixed-use high-density residential and commercial use.

**Past Use of the Site:**

Prior site uses include a railroad freight yard, coal yard, warehousing, and various industrial uses (some of which included oil storage). Historic fill is also present at the site. Soil remediation of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), Semi-VOCs (SVOCs), and metals occurred in 1999 under the Petroleum Spills Program (Spill #0001384) and resulted in removal of an abandoned underground storage tank.

**Site Geology and Hydrogeology:**

The stratigraphy of the site, from the surface down to about 16 feet below grade, is classified as fill consisting of a mixture of gravel, sand, rocks and apparent construction debris. The water table at the site ranges from approximately 9 feet to 12 feet below grade. Groundwater flow is anticipated to be towards the north.

**Brownfield Cleanup Program:** New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) encourages the voluntary cleanup of contaminated properties known as "brownfields" so that they can be reused and redeveloped. These uses may include recreation, housing, business or other uses.

A **brownfield** site is any real property where a contaminant is present at levels exceeding the soil cleanup objectives or other health-based or environmental standards, criteria or guidance adopted by DEC that are applicable based on the reasonably anticipated use of the property, in accordance with applicable regulations.

For more information about the BCP, visit: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html>

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**Where to Find Information**

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

New York Public Library - Mott Haven Branch  
321 East 140th Street  
Bronx, NY 10454  
phone: 718-665-4878

Bronx Community Board 1  
3024 Third Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10455  
phone: 718-585-7117

## Who to Contact

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

### Project-Related Questions

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### Site-Related Health Questions

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county email listservs available at the following web page:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html>. It's quick, it's free,

and it will help keep you *better informed*.

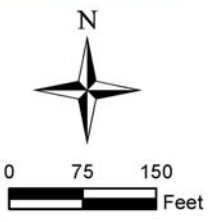


As a listserv member, you will periodically receive site-related information/announcements for all contaminated sites in the county(ies) you select.

Note: Please disregard if you already have signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.



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**Figure 1**  
**Site Map**  
198 E 135th St  
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