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Stevenson Commons B3

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Site No. C203189

Bronx County



Department of
Environmental
Conservation

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Cleanup Proposed for Brownfield Site Contamination Public Comment Period Announced

The public is invited to comment on a proposed cleanup plan being reviewed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), to address contamination related to the Stevenson Commons B3 site ("site") located at 1850 Lafayette Avenue in Bronx, NY, 10473. Please see the map for the site location. Based on the findings of the investigation, DEC in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) has determined that the site does not pose a significant threat to public health or the environment.

How to Comment

NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan, called a "draft Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP)," which includes a cleanup alternatives analysis (AA), for 45 days, from **August 27 through October 11, 2026**.

- Access the draft Remedial Investigation Report (RIR), RAWP with AA, and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator:
<https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C203189/>.
- Documents also are available at the locations identified under "Where to Find Information."
- Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Contact Information" area.

Draft Remedial Investigation Report and Draft Remedial Work Plan with Alternatives Analysis

The proposed Restricted Residential Use remedy plan consists of:

- Excavation and off-site disposal of contaminated soil to 15 feet below ground surface (bgs) across a portion of the site, and to 2 feet bgs across the remainder of the site;
- Removal of any underground storage tanks and associated piping, if encountered during excavation activities;
- Collection and analysis of post-cleanup soil samples to evaluate the effectiveness of the cleanup;
- Importation of clean material that meets the established Soil Cleanup Objectives for use as backfill, if needed;
- Implementation of a Health and Safety Plan and Community Air Monitoring Plan during all ground intrusive activities;
- Construction and maintenance of a cover system, including a demarcation layer over areas without hardscape (without buildings, asphalt, or concrete);
- Implementation of a Site Management Plan (SMP) for long-term management of residual contamination on the site; and,
- Recording of an Environmental Easement to ensure compliance with the SMP.

The proposed cleanup plan was developed by Stevenson B3 LLC ("applicant") after performing a detailed investigation of the site under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP).

Next Steps

NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the remedy plan as necessary, and issue a final Decision Document. NYSDOH must concur with the proposed cleanup. After approval, the proposed cleanup becomes the selected cleanup. The applicant may then design and perform the cleanup action to address the site contamination, with oversight by NYSDEC and NYSDOH.

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

Site Description

The site is 2.94-acres in size and is bounded to the north by parking lots and tennis courts associated with the existing Stevenson Commons apartment complex, followed by Lafayette Avenue; to the east by the existing Stevenson Commons apartment complex, followed by White Plains Road; to the south by the Stevenson Commons Building B4 and B5 project sites, followed by Seward Avenue; and to the west by Thieriot Avenue, followed by residential buildings. The site currently consists of a vacant, grass covered field on the central and western portions; and an asphalt-paved roadway used for emergency access (fire lane) and access to surrounding landscaped areas on the eastern portion. The site has remained undeveloped since 1898. A tidal creek was filled in with material of unknown origin between 1924 and 1951. Later, the site was used for recreational/baseball fields, between approximately 1980 and 1994.

Following implementation of the Restricted Residential Use cleanup, the planned redevelopment for the site entails construction of an approximately 33,850 square feet (sf) 9 to 13-story mixed-use, 100% affordable residential building with a community facility, on the central-eastern portion of the site. Exterior areas will include fenced-in tennis courts on the northwestern portion of the site; an asphalt-paved roadway for emergency access (fire lane) on the eastern portion of the site; and landscaping/hardscaping on the southwestern portion of the site and in remaining areas surrounding the building. The site is identified as being located within a disadvantaged community.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on DEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C203189) at:

<https://appfactory.dec.ny.gov/DERExternalSearch/ERDSearch>

Summary of the Investigation

The primary Contaminants of Concern (COCs) at the site include polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon (PAHs) and metals (i.e., lead, arsenic, barium and mercury), which are present site-wide in soil.

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 NYSDEC that are applicable based on the reasonably anticipated use of the property, in accordance with applicable regulations.

For more information about the BCP, visit:

<https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/site-cleanup/brownfield-and-state-superfund-programs/brownfield>

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DECinfo Locator

Interactive map to access DEC documents and public data about the environmental quality of specific sites: <https://dec.ny.gov/maps/interactive-maps/decinfo-locator>

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WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator and at these locations:
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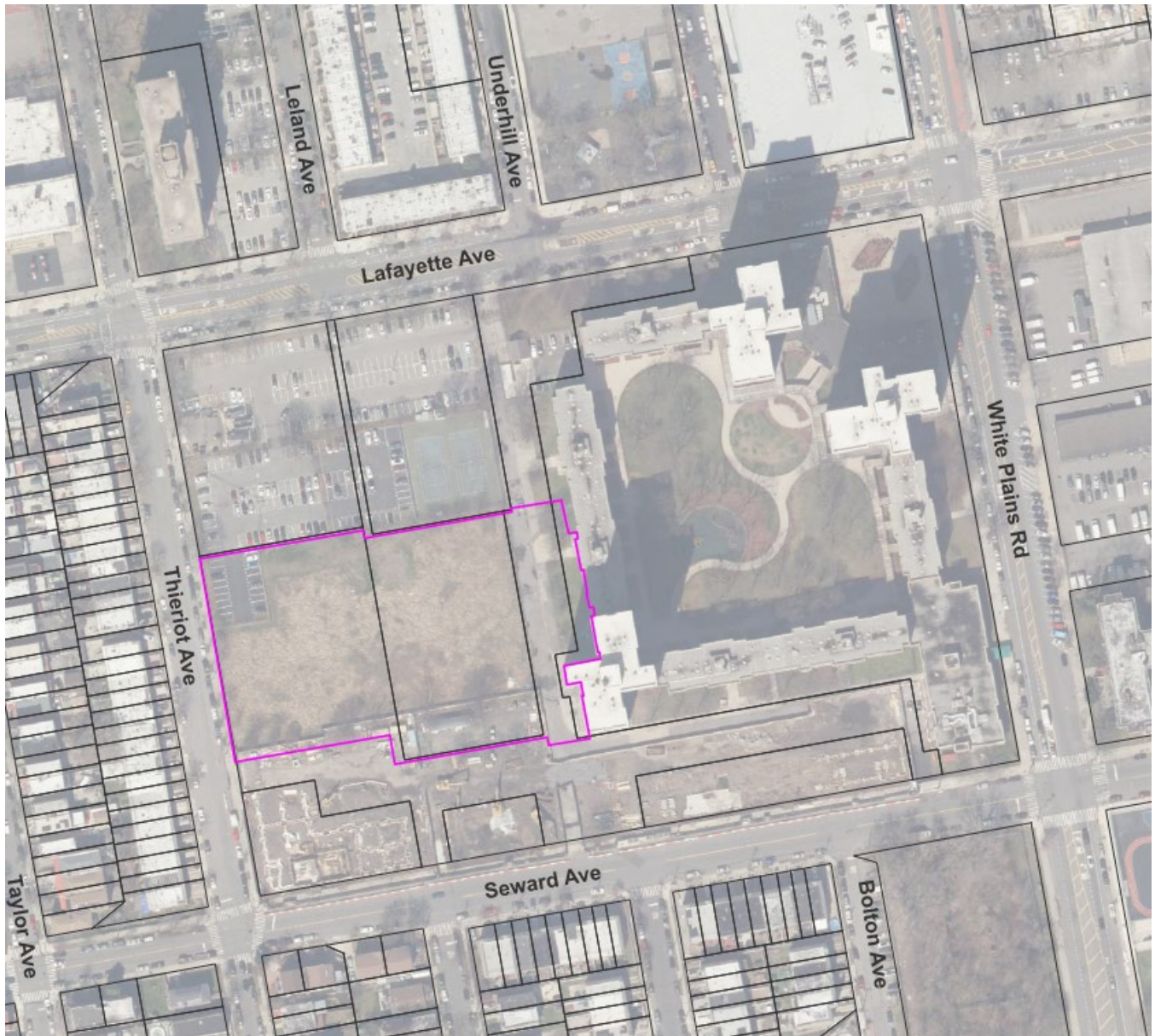
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