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## 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.



#### Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator <a href="https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224053/">https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224053/</a> and at these location(s):

Brooklyn Public Library Williamsburg Branch 240 Division Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11211

## **Brooklyn Community Board 1**

435 Graham Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11211 (718) 389-0009

Key project documents and project summary are also available on the NYSDEC website at: <a href="https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224053/">https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224053/</a>

#### Who to Contact

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

#### **Project-Related Questions**

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For more information about New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit: www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

# **FACT SHEET**

**Brownfield Cleanup Program** 

470 Kent Avenue 470 Kent Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11249

October 2022

SITE No. C224053 NYSDEC REGION 2

## Remedy Proposed for Brownfield Site Contamination; Public Comment Period Announced

The public is invited to comment on a proposed remedy 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 470 Kent Avenue site ("site") located at 470 Kent Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11249, Kings County. Please see the map for the site location.

Based on the findings of the investigation, NYSDEC 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)" for 45 days, from October 26, 2022 through December 10, 2022.

- Access the RAWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224053/.
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."
- Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area at left.

**Draft Remedial Work Plan:** The cleanup plan is described in a detailed RAWP. The proposed Track 4 restricted residential use remedy consists of:

- Excavation and off-site disposal of approximately 17,500 cubic yards of soil and fill material that exceed restricted residential or protection of groundwater soil cleanup objectives, as applicable.
- Collection and analysis of post-excavation soil and groundwater samples to evaluate the effectiveness of the remedy;
- Installation of a secant pile wall along the northern border of the site to prevent recontamination from off-site non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL);
- Placement of a cover system, including a demarcation layer over areas without hardscape (buildings, asphalt or concrete) to prevent exposures to remaining contamination in soil above restricted residential use soil cleanup objectives; Importing clean material that meets the established Soil Cleanup Objectives for use as backfill;
- Implementing a Health and Safety Plan and Community Air Monitoring Plan during all ground intrusive activities;

- Implementation of a Site Management Plan (SMP) would also be required for long term maintenance of the remedial systems.
- Recording of an Environmental Easement to ensure proper use of the site.

The proposed remedy was developed by 470 Kent Ave Associates LLC ("applicants") after performing a detailed investigation of the site under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). A "Remedial Investigation Report", which describes the results of the site investigation was submitted previously and is also available for review at the locations identified on Page 1.

**Next Steps:** NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the cleanup plan as necessary, and issue a final Decision Document. NYSDOH must concur with the proposed remedy. After approval, the proposed remedy becomes the selected remedy. The applicants 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 approximately 3.6 acres in size and is located along the East River. The site is currently undergoing an interim remedial measure (IRM) to remove source areas, and the installation of a bulkhead to begin redevelopment components. Multi-unit residential housing (condominiums) are located north of the site. Kent Avenue, multi-unit residential housing, a park, and commercial properties, are located to the east; commercial properties are located south; and the East River and Wallabout Channel are located west of the site.

The Volunteer is proposing to develop the site with multi story buildings containing mixed commercial/residential uses.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's

Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C224053) at:

https://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3

Summary of the Investigation: The primary contaminants of concern at the site are petroleum-related volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs). These compounds, which are present site-wide, were found in soil and groundwater, primarily in the area of the former Manufactured Gas Plant.

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: https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.

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

#### **DECinfo Locator**

Interactive map to access DEC documents and public data about the environmental quality of specific sites: https://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html

# BROWNFIELD CLEANUP PROGRAM

# **Site Location**



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