



**Department of
Environmental
Conservation**

FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

**DCA 1 Apartments
495 Howard Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11233**

**SITE No. C224162
NYSDEC REGION 2**

November 2015

Environmental Cleanup to Begin at Brownfield Site

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

Brooklyn Public Library
Brownsville Branch
61 Glenmore Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11212
(718) 498-9721
Call for hours

NYSDEC, Region 2 Office
47-40 21st Street
Long Island City, NY 11101
Call in advance: (718) 482-4900
Hours: Mon. to Fri. 8AM to 4 PM

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

Project Related Questions
Nigel Crawford, P.E., Project Manager
NYSDEC, Region 2 Office
47-40 21st Street
Long Island City, NY 11101
(718) 482-7778
nigel.crawford@dec.ny.gov

Public Health questions:
Anthony Perretta
NYSDOH
Empire State Plaza
Corning Tower
Albany, NY 12237
(518) 402-7880
bee@health.ny.gov

**For additional information on the New York's
Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit:**
www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

Action is about to begin that will address contamination related to the DCA 1 Apartments site (the "site") located at 495 Howard Avenue, Brooklyn, Kings County under New York State's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). The cleanup activities will be performed by DCA 1, L.P. ("applicant") with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). The Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) has been found by the NYSDEC to be protective of public health and the environment and has been approved by NYSDEC. The approved RAWP and other documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the document repositories listed in the box at left. Remedial activities are expected to commence in November 2015, and are expected to last approximately 1 month.

Highlights of the Upcoming Cleanup Activities: The goal of the cleanup action for the Site is to achieve cleanup levels that protect public health and the environment. The key components of the remedy are:

- Construction and maintenance of site cover consisting of asphalt driveways, concrete walkways, concrete pavers and metal grating around an existing tree to prevent human exposure to residual soil contamination remaining at the Site;
- Recording of an Environmental Easement, including Institutional Controls, to prevent future exposure to residual contamination remaining at the Site; and
- Publication of a Site Management Plan for long term management of residual contamination as required by the Environmental Easement, including plans for: (1) Institutional and Engineering Controls, (2) monitoring, and (3) reporting.

A site-specific health and safety plan (HASP) and a Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) will be implemented during remediation activities. The HASP and CAMP establish procedures for the protection of on-Site workers and residents and includes required air monitoring as well as dust and odor suppression measures.

Next Steps: After the applicant completes the cleanup activities, they will prepare a Final Engineering Report (FER) and submit it to NYSDEC. The FER will describe the cleanup activities completed and certify that cleanup requirements have been achieved or will be achieved.

When NYSDEC is satisfied that cleanup requirements have been achieved or will be achieved for the site, it will approve the Final Engineering Report. NYSDEC will then issue a Certificate of Completion to the applicant(s). The applicant would be able to redevelop the site in conjunction with receiving a Certificate of Completion. In addition, the applicant:

- would have no liability to the State for contamination at or coming from the site, subject to certain conditions; and
- would be eligible for tax credits to offset the costs of performing cleanup activities and for redevelopment of the site.

A fact sheet that describes the content of the Final Engineering Report will be sent to the site contact list. The fact sheet will identify any institutional controls (for example, deed

BROWNFIELD CLEANUP PROGRAM

restrictions) or engineering controls (for example, a site cap) necessary at the site in relation to the issuance of the Certificate of Completion.

Site Description: The Site is 0.028-acres and is bordered by open space followed by a residential building to the north, a residential building to the east, Sterling Place to the south and Howard Avenue to the west. It is currently comprised of open space consisting of a fenced grassy area, a concrete covered walkway and an asphalt covered driveway. Previously, the Site had been used as a dry cleaner during the 1960s. Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental and Health Assessment Database (by entering the Site ID, C224162) at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/externalapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>

Brownfield Cleanup Program Overview: 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 include recreation, housing, business or other uses. 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 BCP, visit:

<http://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.

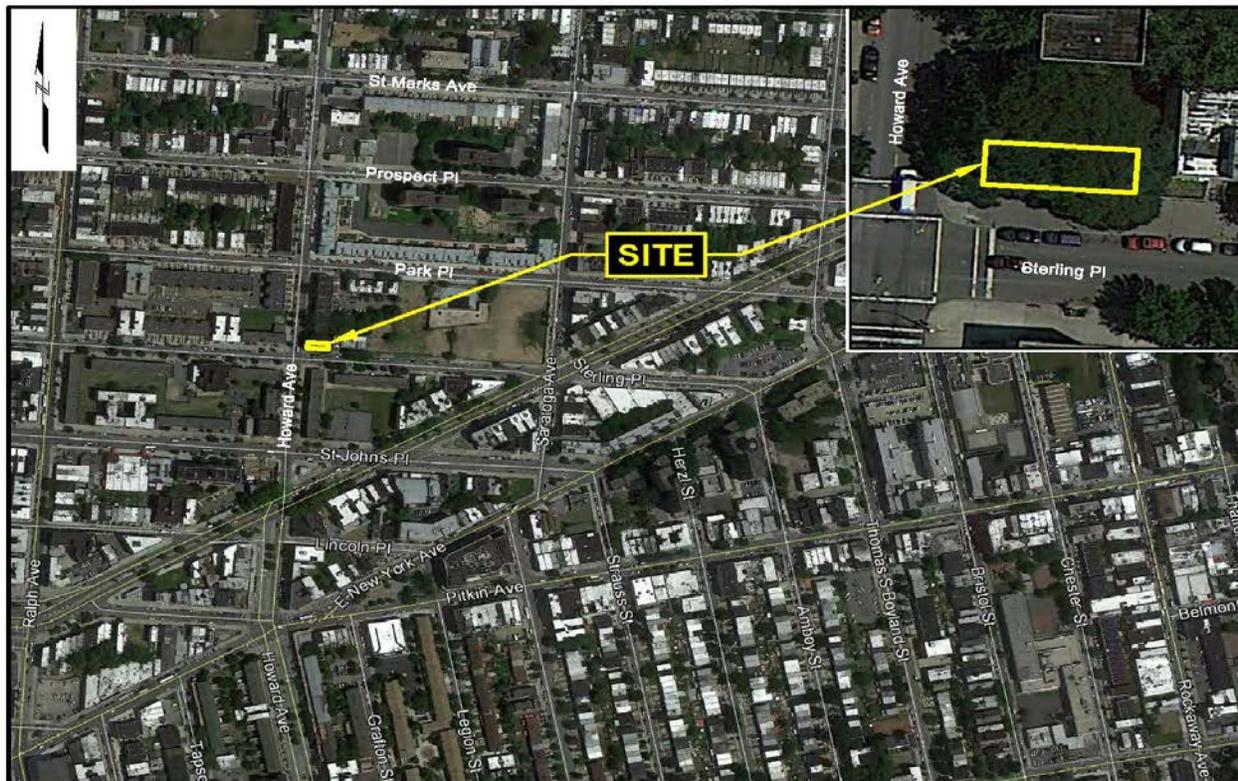
Receive Site Fact Sheets by Email

Have site information such as this fact sheet sent right to your email inbox. NYSDEC invites you to sign up with one or more contaminated sites county email listservs available at the following web page:

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 have already signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.



SITE LOCATION MAP