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Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224214/> and at these location(s):

Red Hook – Park Slope Library

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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

Red Hook 4 Properties

44-62 Ferris St. & 219 Sullivan St.
Brooklyn, NY 11231

SITE No. C224214

NYSDEC REGION 2

November 2023

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 Red Hook 4 Properties site ("site") located at 44-62 Ferris Street and 219 Sullivan Street, Brooklyn, NY. Please see the map for the site location.

Based on the findings of the investigation, NYSDEC, in consultation with the 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 **November 8 through December 23, 2023**.

- Access the RAWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator:
<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224214/>
- 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 proposed commercial/industrial use remedy consists of:

- Continued removal of free-phase petroleum tar through pumping and off-site disposal;
- Placement of a cover system, including a demarcation layer over areas without hardscape (buildings, asphalt, or concrete), to address contamination remaining above commercial/industrial use soil cleanup objectives (SCOs);
- Implementing a Site Management Plan (SMP) for long term maintenance of the remedial systems; and
- Recording of an Environmental Easement to ensure proper use of the site.

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The proposed remedy was developed by Arcadis of New York, 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 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 applicant(s) 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 cleanup of the site.

Site Description: The site consists of two tax parcels covering approximately 2.29 acres. The rectangular-shaped site is bordered to the northeast by Sullivan Street, to the southeast by Ferris Street, and to the southwest by Wolcott Street. It is currently a paved and gravel lot and was most recently used as a large commercial parking lot for truck, trailer, and car parking. There are no buildings on the site. The site is surrounded by an 8-foot high fence with locked gates.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C224214) at:

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

Summary of the Investigation: Sampling of the soil and groundwater was conducted during the Remedial Investigation (RI). The RI has sufficiently defined the nature and extent of contamination at this site. The primary contaminants of concern at the site are non-aqueous phase liquids (NAPL) in the form of weathered crude oil and petroleum tar. Sinking, dense NAPL impacts were identified in the southern portion of the site

at depths between 50-73.5 feet. Exceedances of the NYSDEC's commercial/industrial SCOs for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) and metals were found in soil, and groundwater samples collected in the NAPL-impacted areas exceeded the NYSDEC water quality standards for VOCs and SVOCs. Soil was excavated as part of an Interim Remedial measure (IRM) to remove contaminant source material, and NAPL recovery wells were installed to address remaining contamination.

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 SCOs 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://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html>

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

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Site Location





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