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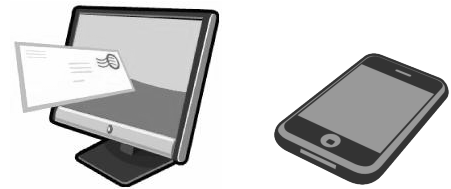
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- Get site information faster and share it easily;
- Receive information about all sites in a chosen county - read what you want, delete the rest;
- It helps the environment and stretches your tax dollars.

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

514 Union Street Site

514 Union Street
Brooklyn, NY 11215

SITE No. C224318

NYSDEC REGION 2

May 2024

Interim Remedial Measure Proposed Public Comment Period May 30 through July 1, 2024

Where to Find Information:

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

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224318/>

Brooklyn Public Library – Pacific Library

25 Fourth Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11217
(718) 638-1531

Brooklyn Community Board 6

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Brooklyn, NY 11201
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For more information about New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit:

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

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), is announcing an expedited cleanup of contamination at a section of the 514 Union Street site (“site”) located in Brooklyn, NY. Two parcels, 305 Nevins Street and 514 Union Street, are included in the overall site being addressed under NYSDEC’s Brownfield Cleanup Program and only 305 Nevins Street is proposed for cleanup under this interim measure. Previous expedited cleanup activities for the 514 Union Street parcel were implemented to address soil vapor and groundwater. Implementation of the expedited cleanup on the 305 Nevins Street parcel will provide further protection of public health and the environment on both parcels. Please see the map for the site location.

NYSDEC is conducting a public comment period because this Proposed Interim Measure (IRM) at 305 Nevins Street is likely to represent a significant part of the cleanup for the site. The expedited cleanup activities are expected to begin in July 2024 and last approximately two weeks. The activities will be performed by Gowanus President Owner, LLC (“applicant”) with oversight provided by NYSDEC.

How to Comment: NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan for 30 days, from **May 30 through July 1, 2024**.

- Access the Draft IRM Work Plan and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator:
<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224318/>
- Documents also are available at the locations 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 Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) Work Plan: An IRM is a cleanup activity that may be performed when a source of contamination or exposure pathway (the way in which a person may contact contamination) can be effectively addressed without extensive investigation and evaluation.

The Draft IRM work plan describes proposed cleanup activities that include:

- Removal of the existing concrete slab inside the building and soil excavation of any source material encountered to install remedial and mitigation systems within the 305 Nevins Street parcel;
- Installation and operation of an air sparge system for groundwater remediation, and a vapor collection system for soil vapor intrusion (SVI) mitigation within the 305 Nevins Street parcel;
- Collecting and analyzing post-cleanup soil and groundwater samples to evaluate the effectiveness of the remedy;

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- Importing clean material that meets the established and protective Soil Cleanup Objectives for use as backfill, and;
- Implementing a Health and Safety Plan (HASP) and Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) to prevent any off-site impacts during all ground intrusive activities.

A Supplemental Remedial Investigation completed at the 305 Nevin Street parcel indicated chlorinate volatile organic compounds (CVOCs) were present beneath the parcel in groundwater and soil vapor. Soil vapor intrusion samples collected at the 305 Nevin Street property revealed that indoor air at the property contained CVOCs below levels that require immediate action. The air sparge system under this IRM will break down CVOC contaminants in groundwater so they are no longer a source to soil vapor. The IRM will also include a vapor mitigation system.

Site Description: The site consists of two contiguous parcels: 514 Union Street (Block 440, Lot 12) and 305 Nevins Street (Block 440, Lot 9) on the block bound by Union Street to the north, 3rd Avenue to the east, President Street to the south, and Nevins Street to the west in the Gowanus neighborhood of Brooklyn, NY. The two parcels encompass an approximately 19,400-square-foot (0.445 acre) area and contains a 17,000-square-foot one-story commercial building (514 Union Street) and a 2,400-square-foot two-story vacant building (305 Nevins Street).

The 514 Union and 305 Nevins parcels were used by various manufacturing and industrial facilities since as early as 1886. The 305 Nevins Street parcel is currently vacant. It was occupied by commercial and industrial facilities since as early as 1982 and previous uses include an auto repair (1982–1987) and iron works (1986–2007). The 305 Nevins Street parcel was most recently operated as an ice cream shop until December 2022, followed by use as a temporary construction site office until February 2024.

There are no proposed development plans for the eastern portion of the site. The 305 Nevins Street parcel will undergo interior renovations and is anticipated to be used for commercial purposes.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C224318) at:

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

Next Steps: NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the plan as necessary, and the approved work plan will be made available to the public (see “Where to Find Information” on the front page).

When the expedited cleanup activities are completed, a Construction Completion Report will be prepared that documents the activities that were performed.

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

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

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<https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/site-cleanup/regional-remediation-project-information/environmental-cleanup-email-newsletters>

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://dec.ny.gov/maps/interactive-maps/decinfo-locator>

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Site Location



Site Map
514 Union Street
305 Nevins Street and 514 Union Street
City of Brooklyn, Kings County
Site No. C224318



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