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

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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.

366 Rockaway Avenue Cabinet Furniture Manufacturing Site

Department of Environmental Conservation

Brownfield Cleanup Program
Site No. C224357
Brooklyn, Kings County

October 2026

Cleanup Action Completed at Brownfield Site

Action has been completed to address the contamination related to the 366 Rockaway Avenue Cabinet Furniture Manufacturing Site ("site") located at 366 Rockaway Avenue, Brooklyn, Kings County under New York State's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). Please see the map for the site location.

Cleanup activities were performed by Brownsville Arts Beneficial Owner LLC ("applicant") with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). The applicant has submitted a proposed Final Engineering Report (FER) for DEC review which states that cleanup requirements have been or will be achieved to fully protect public health and the environment for the proposed site use.

- Access the approved FER and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224357/.
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified under "Where to Find Information."

Highlights of the Site Cleanup

The following activities have been completed to achieve the cleanup objectives:

- Excavation – Approximately 27,200 tons of impacted soil and fill material were excavated and disposed of offsite. Clean stone was brought in to replace the excavated soil and to establish the design grades at the site. Following excavation, soil samples were collected across the site to confirm that the Unrestricted Use soil cleanup objectives were achieved.
- Removal of Underground Storage Tanks (USTs) – Two previously unknown fuel oil USTs were removed from the site and properly disposed of.
- Community Protection Measures – Air monitoring, dust control, truck cleaning, and erosion control measures were implemented during cleanup activities to protect workers, nearby residents, and the surrounding community.
- Site Management Plan (SMP) – A SMP was developed to ensure completion of a required soil vapor evaluation and any follow-up monitoring, maintenance, or reporting required by DEC.
- Recording of an Environmental Easement to control land use at the site.

Next Steps

When DEC approves the FER, it will be made available to the public (see "Where to Find Information"). DEC then will issue a Certificate of Completion (COC) that will be announced in a fact sheet. The applicant would be able to redevelop the site after receiving a COC. In addition, the applicant will be eligible for tax credits to offset a portion of the costs of performing cleanup activities and for redevelopment of the site.

Site Description

The site is located at 366 Rockaway Avenue and is identified as Block 3499, Lot 15 on the Brooklyn tax map. The approximately 1.3-acre property is currently undergoing redevelopment and was formerly occupied by a variety of residential, commercial, and manufacturing uses, including furniture

upholstery, cabinet manufacturing, stone cutting, and storage facilities. Prior to redevelopment, the site was vacant since the mid-1980s. The site is bordered by residential buildings and community facilities to the north, south, and west, and by mixed residential and commercial properties along Rockaway Avenue to the east. Historic operations conducted at the site resulted in contamination of the subsurface with metals, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), pesticides, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), and other contaminants. These impacts have been addressed under the Brownfield Cleanup Program, and the site has been cleaned up to support its future use.

The site is being redeveloped as a nine-story mixed-use affordable housing and community arts development that will provide approximately 290 affordable housing units along with new spaces dedicated to creative, educational, and community programming. Planned community facilities include an arts and media center, performance arts and music education spaces, a multipurpose theater and rehearsal venue, and office space for non-profit organizations. The project will also include publicly accessible open space designed to serve neighborhood residents and visitors. This redevelopment will transform a long-vacant property into a community-focused destination that provides affordable housing, cultural programming, educational opportunities, and new gathering spaces for the Brownsville neighborhood.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on DEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C224357) at:

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

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://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 location(s):
https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224357/

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

Brooklyn Community Board District 16
444 Thomas S Boyland Street #103
Brooklyn, NY 11212
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Site Location



Figure 1
Site Map
366 Rockaway Avenue
Brooklyn, Kings County
Site No. C244357

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