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Former New City Link Auto Repair Site



Department of
Environmental
Conservation

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Site No. C224407

547 Coney Island Avenue and 50 Hinckley Place

Brooklyn, NY 11218

August 2025

Report Recommends Cleanup of Brownfield Site Contamination

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) is reviewing the Remedial Investigation Report for the Former New City Link Auto Repair site ("site") located at 547 Coney Island Avenue and 50 Hinckley Place, Brooklyn, Kings County. Please see the map for the site location.

Remedial Investigation Report

The Remedial Investigation Report (RIR) describes the results of the site investigation and recommends development of a cleanup plan to address the contamination that was found. The RIR was submitted by 545 Coney Island LLC ("applicant").

- Access the RIR and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator:
<https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C224407/>.
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified under "Where to Find Information."

Based on the findings of the investigation, NYSDEC, in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), has determined that the site poses a significant threat to public health or the environment. This decision is based on the soil vapor data collected during the remedial investigation that could negatively affect public health.

Highlights of the Remedial Investigation Report

Petroleum-related volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) were found in subsurface soils at concentrations above the restricted residential soil clean-up objectives. Petroleum VOCs were detected in groundwater above groundwater quality standards. Elevated levels of petroleum VOCs and chlorinated VOCs, such as tetrachloroethylene (PCE) were detected in soil vapor. Petroleum contamination is likely due to historic site use as a gasoline station and automobile repair facility on the northern portion of the site. The PCE contamination in soil vapor is likely due to historic use of the southern portion of the site as a drycleaner.

Next Steps

NYSDEC will complete its review, make any necessary revisions and, if appropriate, approve the investigation report. The approved report will be made available to the public (see "Where to Find Information"). The applicants will then develop a cleanup plan, called a "Remedial Action Work Plan." This plan describes how contamination will be addressed, with NYSDEC and NYSDOH overseeing the work. NYSDEC will present the draft cleanup plan to the public for its review and comment during a 45-day comment period. NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site. Due to the positive significant threat determination, the NYSDEC will conduct off-site soil vapor testing under the State Superfund Program.

Site Description

The Site is located in the Prospect Park South neighborhood of Brooklyn and is identified as Block 5114, Lots 1, 3, and 29 on the New York City tax map. The Site is approximately 19,090 sq ft (0.44 acres), is currently vacant. Lot 3 was formerly improved with a vacant two-story warehouse occupied most recently by Delt Hardware, a construction and plumbing goods supplier. Delt Hardware formerly utilized the northern half of Lot 1 as a loading/parking area. The southern half of Lot 1 was formerly improved with a vacant one-story garage formerly used for auto painting and repair operated by "New City Link Auto Repair." There was formerly a partial cellar located in the northern part of the garage on Lot 1. Lot 29 was formerly operated as a 7-Eleven convenience store and associated parking lot. All on-Site buildings were demolished in anticipation of conducting the cleanup.

Although the future development plans are in preliminary design phases, the proposed development will consist of constructing a new mixed-use (residential and commercial), mixed income building that will provide new affordable residential rental units. The building will include one cellar level with a bottom excavation to a depth of approximately 15 feet bgs.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C224407) 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:

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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/C224407/>.

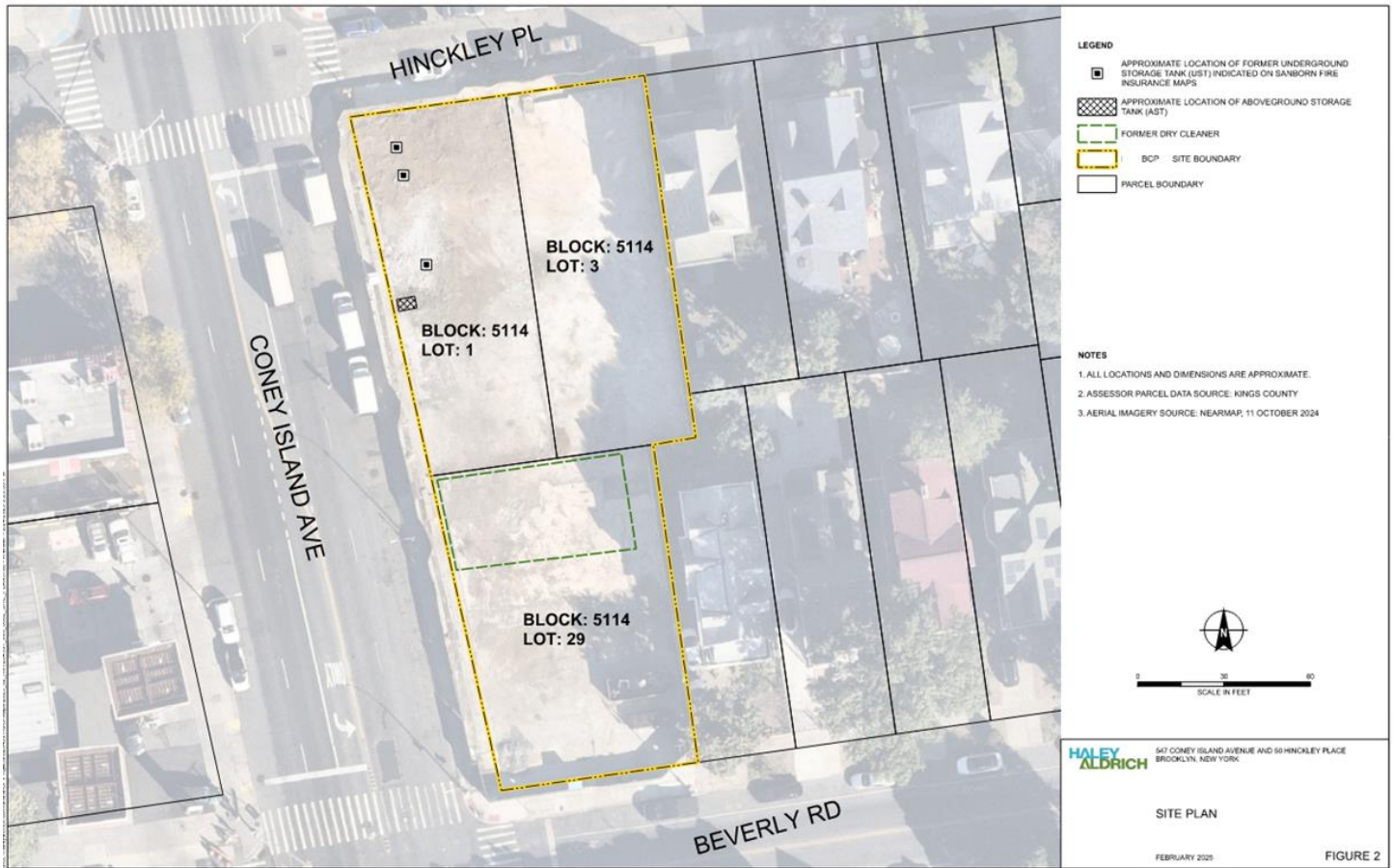
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Site Location





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