

# DECISION DOCUMENT

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# DECLARATION STATEMENT - DECISION DOCUMENT

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## **Statement of Purpose and Basis**

This document presents the remedy for the 561 Greenwich Street site, a brownfield cleanup site. The remedial program was chosen in accordance with the New York State Environmental Conservation Law and Title 6 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York (6 NYCRR) Part 375.

This decision is based on the Administrative Record of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (the Department) for the 561 Greenwich Street site and the public's input to the proposed remedy presented by the Department.

## **Description of Selected Remedy**

The elements of the selected remedy are as follows:

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Engineering Controls: The cover system discussed in Paragraph 5 above.

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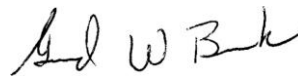
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  - the steps necessary for the periodic reviews and certification of the institutional and/or engineering controls.
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- monitoring of groundwater to assess the performance and effectiveness of the remedy;
  - a schedule of monitoring and frequency of submittals to the Department; and
  - monitoring for vapor intrusion for any buildings on the site or affected off-site areas, as may be required by the Institutional and Engineering Control Plan discussed above.

### **Declaration**

The remedy conforms with promulgated standards and criteria that are directly applicable, or that are relevant and appropriate and takes into consideration Department guidance, as appropriate. The remedy is protective of public health and the environment.

March 12, 2020



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## **SECTION 1: SUMMARY AND PURPOSE**

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (the Department), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), has selected a remedy for the above referenced site. The disposal of contaminants at the site has resulted in threats to public health and the environment that would be addressed by the remedy. The disposal or release of contaminants at this site, as more fully described in this document, has contaminated various environmental media. Contaminants include hazardous waste and/or petroleum.

The New York State Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) is a voluntary program. The goal of the BCP is to enhance private-sector cleanups of brownfields and to reduce development pressure on "greenfields." A brownfield site is real property, the redevelopment or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a contaminant.

The Department has issued this document in accordance with the requirements of New York State Environmental Conservation Law and 6 NYCRR Part 375. This document is a summary of the information that can be found in the site-related reports and documents.

## **SECTION 2: CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

The Department seeks input from the community on all remedies. A public comment period was held, during which the public was encouraged to submit comment on the proposed remedy. All comments on the remedy received during the comment period were considered by the Department in selecting a remedy for the site. Site-related reports and documents were made available for review by the public at the following document repositories:

New York Public Library - Hudson Park Branch  
66 Leroy Street  
New York, NY 10014  
Phone: 212-243-6876

Manhattan Community Board 2  
Attn: Terri Cude  
3 Washington Square Village #1A  
New York, NY 10012  
Phone: 212-979-2272

## **Receive Site Citizen Participation Information by Email**

Please note that the Department's Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) is "going paperless" relative to citizen participation information. The ultimate goal is to distribute citizen participation information about contaminated sites electronically by way of county email listservs. Information will be distributed for all sites that are being investigated and cleaned up in a particular county under the State Superfund Program, Environmental Restoration Program, Brownfield Cleanup Program and Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Program. We encourage the public to sign up for one or more county listservs at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html>

## **SECTION 3: SITE DESCRIPTION AND HISTORY**

### **Location:**

The 0.46-acre site at 561 Greenwich Street is within the SoHo neighborhood of Manhattan and is identified as Block 598, Lot 42 on the New York tax map. The site is bound by King Street to the north, a 17-story commercial office building to the east, Charlton Street to the south, and Greenwich Street to the west.

### **Site Features:**

The site elevation ranges from 11 to 14 feet above mean sea level. Until late 2019, the site contained a one-story parking garage built circa 1930 that has been demolished and an open-air parking lot surrounded by a chain-link fence. The garage contained a partial cellar (about 130 square feet) in the northwestern portion of the building.

### **Current Zoning and Land Use:**

The current zoning designation is M1-6, which permits commercial uses. The site is presently empty. The proposed redevelopment use as an office building is consistent with existing zoning for the property. The surrounding area includes residential, commercial and industrial properties.

### **Past Use of the Site:**

The site has been occupied by commercial and industrial facilities as early as 1894. The historical site uses include a preserves factory (1894-1905), a canning facility (1905-1922) and Express Depot (1951-1968). Recent site uses include the garage (1951-present) and the parking lot (1968-present). Two 550-gallon gasoline underground storage tanks (USTs), believed to have been installed when the garage was built, are still present on the site.

### **Site Geology and Hydrogeology:**

The site elevation ranges from 11 to 14 feet above mean sea level. Groundwater depths range from about 15 to 17.5 feet below grade. Site groundwater flows west toward the Hudson River, following the influence of local topography.

The site was on a meadow within the original shoreline of Manhattan Island and has been filled

into its present elevation. The generalized stratigraphy underlying the site is composed of a surficial layer of concrete and asphalt overlying fill material followed by natural sand deposits and bedrock. Fill material was observed immediately below the existing surface to depths ranging from about 7.5 to 13 feet below grade. The fill layer was shallowest in the southern portion of the site and deepest in the northern portion of the site. Fill material generally consists of light to dark brown and grey, medium sand with trace fine sand, fine gravel, silt, and varying amounts of coal, brick and concrete fragments. A native sand layer consisting of brown fine sand with trace medium sand, clay and silt was observed below the fill layer throughout the site. Peat and organic clay layers were observed in the eastern and southeastern portion of the site.

Bedrock underlying the site consists of gray sillimanite-muscovite-tourmaline schist at approximately 110 feet below grade.

A site location map is attached as Figure 1.

#### **SECTION 4: LAND USE AND PHYSICAL SETTING**

The Department may consider the current, intended, and reasonably anticipated future land use of the site and its surroundings when evaluating a remedy for soil remediation. For this site, alternatives that restrict the use of the site to commercial use (which allows for industrial use) as described in Part 375-1.8(g) were evaluated in addition to an alternative which would allow for unrestricted use of the site.

A comparison of the results of the Remedial Investigation (RI) against unrestricted use standards, criteria and guidance values (SCGs) for the site contaminants is available in the RI Report.

#### **SECTION 5: ENFORCEMENT STATUS**

One or more of the Applicants under the Brownfield Cleanup Agreement is a Participant. The Participants have an obligation to address on-site and off-site contamination. Accordingly, no enforcement actions are necessary.

#### **SECTION 6: SITE CONTAMINATION**

##### **6.1: Summary of the Remedial Investigation**

A remedial investigation (RI) serves as the mechanism for collecting data to:

- characterize site conditions;
- determine the nature of the contamination; and
- assess risk to human health and the environment.

The RI is intended to identify the nature (or type) of contamination which may be present at a site and the extent of that contamination in the environment on the site or leaving the site. The RI reports on data gathered to determine if the soil, groundwater, soil vapor, indoor air, surface water or sediments may have been contaminated. Monitoring wells are installed to assess groundwater



and soil borings or test pits are installed to sample soil and/or waste(s) identified. If other natural resources are present, such as surface water bodies or wetlands, the water and sediment may be sampled as well. Based on the presence of contaminants in soil and groundwater, soil vapor will also be sampled for the presence of contamination. Data collected in the RI influence the development of remedial alternatives. The RI report is available for review in the site document repository and the results are summarized in section 6.3.

The analytical data collected on this site includes data for:

- groundwater
- soil
- soil vapor

#### **6.1.1: Standards, Criteria, and Guidance (SCGs)**

The remedy must conform to promulgated standards and criteria that are directly applicable or that are relevant and appropriate. The selection of a remedy must also take into consideration guidance, as appropriate. Standards, Criteria and Guidance are hereafter called SCGs.

To determine whether the contaminants identified in various media are present at levels of concern, the data from the RI were compared to media-specific SCGs. The Department has developed SCGs for groundwater, surface water, sediments, and soil. The NYSDOH has developed SCGs for drinking water and soil vapor intrusion. For a full listing of all SCGs see: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/regulations/61794.html>

#### **6.1.2: RI Results**

The data have identified contaminants of concern. A "contaminant of concern" is a contaminant that is sufficiently present in frequency and concentration in the environment to require evaluation for remedial action. Not all contaminants identified on the property are contaminants of concern. The nature and extent of contamination and environmental media requiring action are summarized below. Additionally, the RI Report contains a full discussion of the data. The contaminants of concern identified at this site are:

1,2,4-trimethylbenzene	1,2,4,5-tetramethylbenzene
1,3,5-trimethylbenzene	benzo(a)pyrene
naphthalene	benzo(b)fluoranthene
lead	dibenz[a,h]anthracene
barium	indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene
benzene	toluene
xylene	ethylbenzene
benzo(a)anthracene	n-propylbenzene

The contaminants of concern exceed the applicable SCGs for soil and groundwater.

## **6.2: Interim Remedial Measures**

An interim remedial measure (IRM) is conducted at a site when a source of contamination or exposure pathway can be effectively addressed before issuance of the Decision Document.

The following IRM has been completed at this site based on conditions observed during the RI. Prior to the IRM, the VOCs detected included 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene (290 parts per million, or ppm), benzene (49 ppm) and total xylenes (700 ppm) above their respective restrictive commercial use SCOs (RCSCOs) of 190 ppm, 44 ppm and 500 ppm. Petroleum-related VOCs present above their protection of groundwater SCOs (PGSCOs) were 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene (100 ppm) (PGSCO is 8.4 ppm), ethylbenzene (95 ppm) (PGSCO is 1 ppm), naphthalene (66 ppm) (PGSCO is 12 ppm), n-propylbenzene (33 ppm) (PGSCO is 3.9 ppm), toluene (220 ppm) (PGSCO is 0.7 ppm). The results of the IRM will be presented in the Final Engineering Report (FER).

### **UST Removal and LNAPL Extraction**

An IRM was conducted in February and March 2020 that included the following tasks.

- Installation of four, 4-inch-diameter recovery wells surrounding the underground storage tanks (USTs) in the western part of the site;
- Recovery and off-site disposal of petroleum-related light non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) from the recovery wells via a vacuum truck; and
- Decommissioning and removal of six USTs, including documentation of proper handling and disposal of associated impacted material and the UST contents that included gasoline, oil, waste oil and hydraulic fluid.

A construction completion report is expected in April 2020.

## **6.3: Summary of Environmental Assessment**

This section summarizes the assessment of existing and potential future environmental impacts presented by the site. Environmental impacts may include existing and potential future exposure pathways to fish and wildlife receptors, wetlands, groundwater resources, and surface water. The RI report presents a detailed discussion of any existing and potential impacts from the site to fish and wildlife receptors.

### **Nature and Extent of Contamination:**

Soil and groundwater were analyzed for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), metals, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), and pesticides. Groundwater was analyzed for perfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). Based upon investigations conducted to date, the primary contaminants of concern include VOCs, SVOCS, and metals in soil and groundwater, and VOCs in soil vapor.

Soil - Historic urban fill covers the entire site to about 7.5 to 13 feet below grade. Historic fill typically contains coal ash and other byproducts of combustion and is the likely source of the semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), specifically polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), barium and lead contamination observed in on-site soil above unrestricted-use soil cleanup objectives (SCOs). Chemical and/or petroleum impacts, evidenced by odors, staining and/or

elevated field instrument readings above background levels, were observed at 5 of 10 soil boring locations.

The petroleum-related VOCs were observed in the proximity of the USTs. The USTs were subsequently removed as part of an IRM conducted in February 2020.

The historic fill-related SVOCs include benzo(a)anthracene (35 ppm), benzo(a)pyrene (32 ppm), benzo(b)fluoranthene (38 ppm), dibenz(a,h)anthracene (4.2 ppm) and indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene (19 ppm) were detected at the maximum concentrations stated above their respective RCSCOs of 5.6 ppm, 1 ppm, 5.6 ppm, 0.56 ppm and 5.6 ppm.

Metals including barium (1,040 ppm) and lead (5,680 ppm) were present above their commercial use SCOs. Delineation of lead contamination was conducted across the site as part of a waste characterization of soil in preparation of the remedial excavation and off-site disposal. Lead concentrations in on-site soil exceeded its protection of groundwater standard of 450 ppm in 44 of 127 samples. Toxicity characteristic leaching procedure (TCLP) concentrations exceeded the hazardous waste criterion of 5 milligrams per liter (mg/L) in 37 of the 127 samples.

No pesticides or PCBs were detected at concentrations above the commercial use SCOs.

The data do not indicate any off-site impacts in soil related to this site.

Groundwater - VOC and SVOC impacts consistent with the soil contamination were observed in on-site and off-site groundwater above ambient water quality standards (AWQS). The VOCs present in groundwater in excess of their groundwater standards are 1,2,4,5-tetramethylbenzene (54 parts per billion, or ppb), 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene (1,200 ppb), 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene (390 ppb), benzene (13,000 ppb), ethylbenzene (1,400 ppb), naphthalene (550 ppb), n-propylbenzene (120 ppb), o-xylene (3,600 ppb), p/m-xylene (7,100 ppb) and toluene (16,000 ppb). The groundwater quality standard for each of these VOCs is 5 ppb except for naphthalene at 10 ppb and benzene at 1 ppb. Total PFAS was detected up to 0.323 ppb. However, PFAS were not identified as a contaminant of concern for this site.

SVOC impacts to groundwater were benzo(b)fluoranthene (0.14 ppb), benzo(k)fluoranthene (0.06 ppb), chrysene (0.11 ppb), and phenol (58 ppb). The groundwater quality standards for each of these SVOCs is 0.002 ppb except for phenol at 1 ppb.

Two pesticides, aldrin (0.008 ppb) and dieldrin (0.013 ppb), were detected above their respective groundwater quality standards of 0.002 ppb and 0.004 ppb.

PFAS were not identified as a contaminant of concern for this site. There are no public water supply wells within a half mile and there is a municipal prohibition for use of groundwater at the site.

The data indicate that there are off-site impacts in groundwater related to this site and as a participant in the Brownfield program, the applicant will address those impacts.

Soil Vapor - Petroleum-related VOCs were detected in soil vapor samples at concentrations above ambient air sample concentrations. The total detected VOC concentration in the outdoor ambient air sample was 32.5 micrograms per cubic meter ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ). The total detected VOC concentration in the soil vapor samples ranged from 290  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  to 56,650  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . Total benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes (BTEX) concentrations in soil vapor samples ranged from 84  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  to 7,748  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ .

Based on the available data it can be presumed that there are off-site impacts in soil vapor migrating westward from the site.

#### **6.4: Summary of Human Exposure Pathways**

This human exposure assessment identifies ways in which people may be exposed to site-related contaminants. Chemicals can enter the body through three major pathways (breathing, touching or swallowing). This is referred to as *exposure*.

Direct contact with contaminants in the soil is unlikely because the majority of the site is covered with building slabs and pavement. People are not drinking the contaminated groundwater because the area is served by a public water supply that is not affected by this contamination. Volatile organic compounds in soil vapor (air spaces within the soil) may move into buildings and affect the indoor air quality. This process, which is similar to the movement of radon gas from the subsurface into the indoor air of buildings, is referred to as soil vapor intrusion. Because there is no on-site building at this time, inhalation of site contaminants in indoor air due to soil vapor intrusion does not currently represent an exposure concern for the site. However, the potential exists for the inhalation of site contaminants due to soil vapor intrusion offsite and for any future onsite redevelopment and occupancy.

#### **6.5: Summary of the Remediation Objectives**

The objectives for the remedial program have been established through the remedy selection process stated in 6 NYCRR Part 375. The goal for the remedial program is to restore the site to pre-disposal conditions to the extent feasible. At a minimum, the remedy shall eliminate or mitigate all significant threats to public health and the environment presented by the contamination identified at the site through the proper application of scientific and engineering principles.

The remedial action objectives for this site are:

##### **Groundwater**

###### **RAOs for Public Health Protection**

- Prevent ingestion of groundwater with contaminant levels exceeding drinking water standards.
- Prevent contact with, or inhalation of volatiles, from contaminated groundwater.

###### **RAOs for Environmental Protection**

- Restore ground water aquifer to pre-disposal/pre-release conditions, to the extent practicable.
- Remove the source of ground or surface water contamination.

## **Soil**

### **RAOs for Public Health Protection**

- Prevent ingestion/direct contact with contaminated soil.
- Prevent inhalation of or exposure from contaminants volatilizing from contaminants in soil.

### **RAOs for Environmental Protection**

- Prevent migration of contaminants that would result in groundwater or surface water contamination.

## **Soil Vapor**

### **RAOs for Public Health Protection**

- Mitigate impacts to public health resulting from existing, or the potential for, soil vapor intrusion into buildings at a site.

## **SECTION 7: ELEMENTS OF THE SELECTED REMEDY**

The alternatives developed for the site and the evaluation of the remedial criteria are presented in the Alternative Analysis. The remedy is selected pursuant to the remedy selection criteria set forth in DER-10, Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation and 6 NYCRR Part 375.

The selected remedy is a Track 4: Restricted commercial use with site-specific soil cleanup objectives remedy.

The selected remedy is referred to as Excavation, In-situ Treatment and Site Cover remedy.

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