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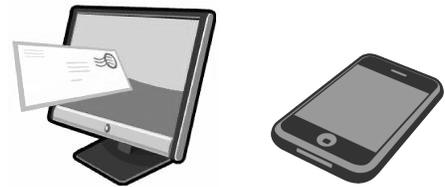
DEC's Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) now distributes information about contaminated sites *electronically by email*.

If you would like to continue to receive information about the contaminated site featured in this fact sheet:

**You must sign up for the DER email listserv:**

[www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html)

DER cannot register your email address - only the email address owner can do so. If you already have signed up for the listserv for the county in which the site is located, you need do nothing.



### **Why You Should Go “Paperless”:**

- 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.



# FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

644 East 14th Street Site  
644 East 14th Street  
New York, NY 10009

**SITE No. C231150**

**NYSDEC REGION 2**

**November 2022**

## Report Recommends Cleanup of Brownfield Site Contamination

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) is reviewing the Remedial Investigation Report for the 644 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street Site ("site") located at 644 East 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Manhattan, NY. 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 remedy to address the contamination that was found. The RIR was submitted by 644 East 14th Street Owner LLC ("applicant").

- Access the RIR and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator:  
<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C231150/>.
- The documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."

Based on the findings of the investigation, the NYSDEC in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), has determined that the site does not pose a significant threat to public health or the environment. The decision is based on the soil, groundwater and soil vapor analytical data collected at the site as presented in the RIR.

**Highlights of the Remedial Investigation Report:** Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and metals were found in subsurface soils at concentrations above unrestricted soil cleanup objectives. The PAHs are found in shallow soils and metals are present in shallow soils and to depths of up to 15 feet below sidewalk grade and are likely the result of past site uses as an automobile service business and historic fill, which is present throughout the site.

**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" at left). The applicant may 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

### Where to Find Information:

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator  
<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C231150/>  
and at these location(s):

#### Tompkins Square Library

331 East 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
New York, NY 10009  
212-228-4747  
tompkinssquare@nypl.org

#### Manhattan Community Board 3

59 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
New York, NY 10003  
212-533-5300  
mn03@cb.nyc.gov

### Who to Contact:

Comments and questions are welcome and should be directed as follows:

#### Project-Related Questions

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

[www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html)

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comment during a 45-day comment period. NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

**Site Description:** The site is located at the southwest corner of the intersection of Avenue C and East 14<sup>th</sup> Street and is identified as Block 396, Lot 29 on the New York City tax map. The site is 0.23-acres of unpaved vacant land, excavated to a depth of approximately three to five feet below sidewalk grade. From about 1900 through the 1970s, several multistory commercial buildings occupied the site. It was used most recently as an auto service business from the 1970s to the 2010s. In the mid-2010s the building was demolished and the site has been vacant since.

Planned redevelopment consists of a 24-story mixed use commercial and residential building. This will encompass the entire footprint of the property.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C231150) at:

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

**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 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 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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[www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html)

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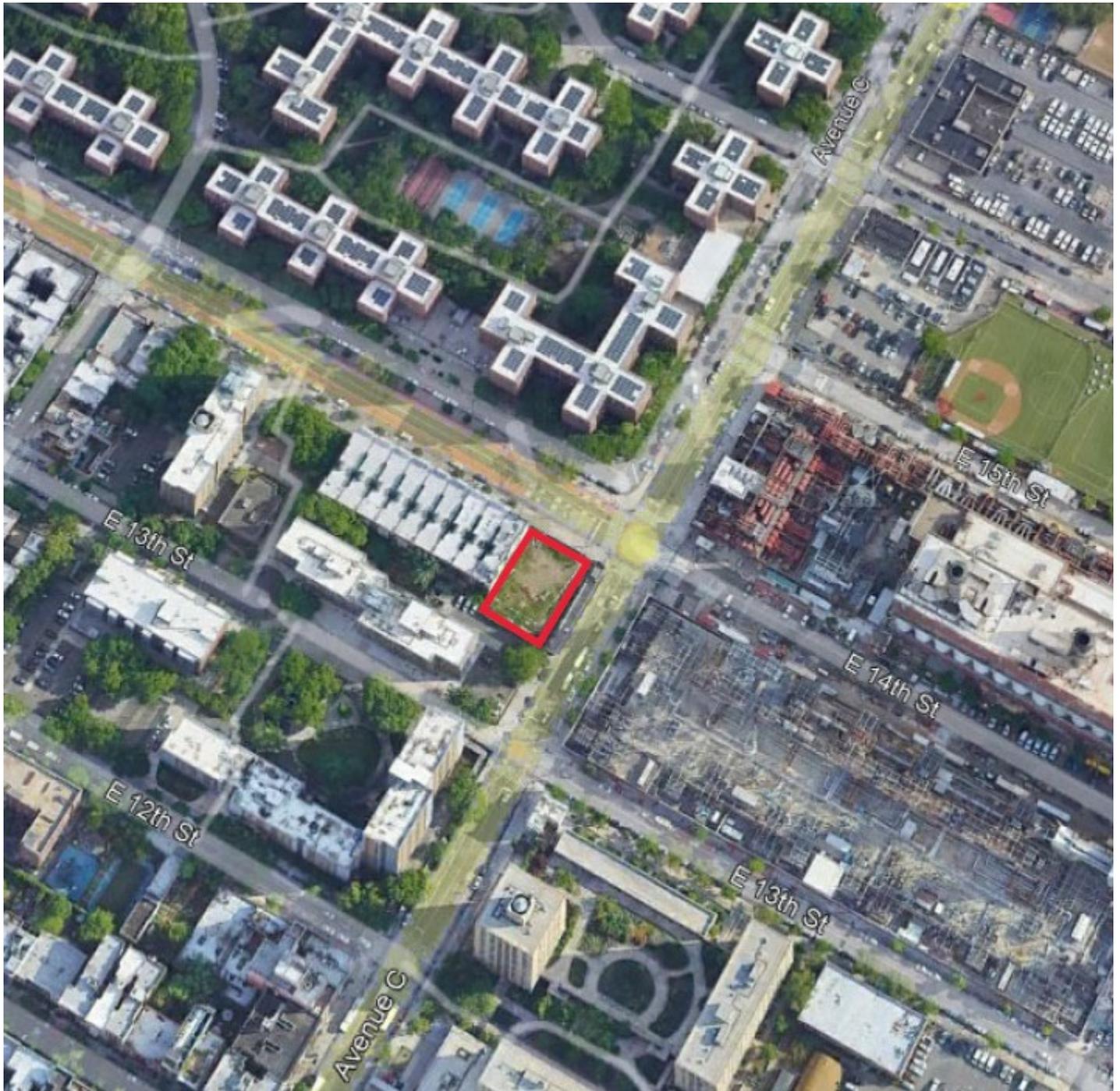
## DECinfo Locator

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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