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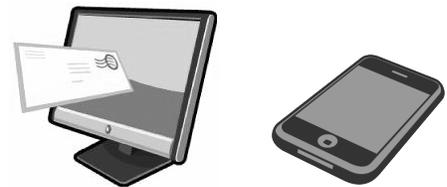
DEC's Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) now distributes information about contaminated sites *electronically by email*.

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

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.



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FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Willetts Point Development
Stadium
37-11 126th Street
Queens, NY 11368

SITE No. C241146C
NYSDEC REGION 2

April 2024

Where to Find Information

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

<https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C241146C/>

Queens Public Library – Central Library
89-11 Merrick Boulevard
Jamaica, NY 11432
(718) 990-0700

Queens Community Board 7
30-50 Whitestone Expressway, Suite 205
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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>

Cleanup Action Completed at Brownfield Site

Action has been completed to address the contamination related to the Willetts Point Development Stadium site ("site") located at 37-11 126th Street in, Queens under New York State's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). Please see the map for the site location.

Cleanup activities were performed by Queens Development Group, LLC (QDG), QDG Hotel Partners, LLC, QDG 126th Street Partners, LLC, QDG Parking Partners, LLC, and QDG Retail Partners, LLC (collectively, the "applicants") with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). The applicants have submitted a draft Final Engineering Report (FER) for NYSDEC review which states that cleanup requirements have been achieved to fully protect public health and the environment for the proposed site use.

- Access the FER other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator:
<https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C241146C/>.
- The documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."

Highlights of the Site Cleanup: The following activities have been or will shortly be completed to achieve the remedial action objectives:

- Remedial excavation and off-site disposal of about 36,200 tons of fill and soil exceeding the Protection of Groundwater Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) and Restricted Residential SCOs, the site-specific cleanup criteria;
- Capping of excavated areas with a site cover system consisting of at least two feet of certified-clean fill;
- Any new on-site buildings will be required to have a sub-slab depressurization system, or other acceptable measures, to mitigate the migration of any vapors into the building from groundwater;
- Establishment of an NYSDEC-approved Site Management Plan (SMP) to provide for long-term management of Engineering Controls (ECs) and Institutional Controls (ICs), including the performance of periodic inspections and certification that the controls are performing as they were intended. Inclusion of a requirement in the SMP to evaluate future proposed structures for soil vapor intrusion;
- Recording of an Environmental Easement to ensure implementation of the SMP and mandate that future owners continue to maintain ECs and ICs

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Next Steps: When NYSDEC approves the FER, it will be made available to the public (see "Where to Find Information"). NYSDEC then will issue a Certificate of Completion (COC) that will be announced in a fact sheet. The applicants would be able to redevelop the site after receiving a COC. In addition, the applicants 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 in the Willets Point neighborhood of Queens, NY and identified as Block 1823, Lots 19, 20, 21, 23, 26, 28, 33, 40, 44, 47, 52 and 55, Block 1824, Lots 1, 12, 19, 21, 26, 28, 33, 38, 40, 45, 53, and 100, Block 1825, Lots 1, 19, 21, 25, 28, 30, 37, 46, 48, 53, 55, 58, and 150, and Block 1833, Lot 103. The 9.993-acre site was accepted into the BCP as a part of the former Willets Point Development Site (see attached site location map). The site is bound by 35th Avenue and the Willets Point Development T-Parcel BCP Site (Site No. C241146F) to the north, by 127th Street and Willets Point Boulevard to the east, by future 38th Avenue followed by the Willets Point Development Triangle Parcel BCP Site (Site No. C241146E) and the Willets Point Development SCA School Site (Site No. C241146D) to the south, and by 126th Street (Hewitt Avenue) followed by the Citi Field baseball stadium and associated parking lots to the west.

Prior to the 1900s, the Willets Point area was a tidally influenced salt marsh. From the early 1900s to the early 1930s, the area was used as a landfill for coal ash from residential and municipal heating operations in New York City. In the late 1930s Willets Point was graded and developed primarily with automotive repair shops, filling stations, and scrapyards.

The site was remediated as a part of Operable Unit 2 of the former Willets Point Development BCP Site. The site is planned to be redeveloped with a Major League Soccer (MLS) stadium. The former Willets Point Development BCP Site, inclusive of Operable Unit 1 and Operable Unit 2, was subdivided into eight sites to correlate with future development. Remediation is complete within the area comprising the entire former Willets Point Development BCP Site; BCP Site No. C241146 received a COC on December 28, 2023 and FER submissions documenting remediation of the other newly subdivided BCP sites are pending.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C241146C) at:

<https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/cfm/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 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 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>

We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.

Stay Informed With DEC Delivers

Sign up to receive site updates by email:

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

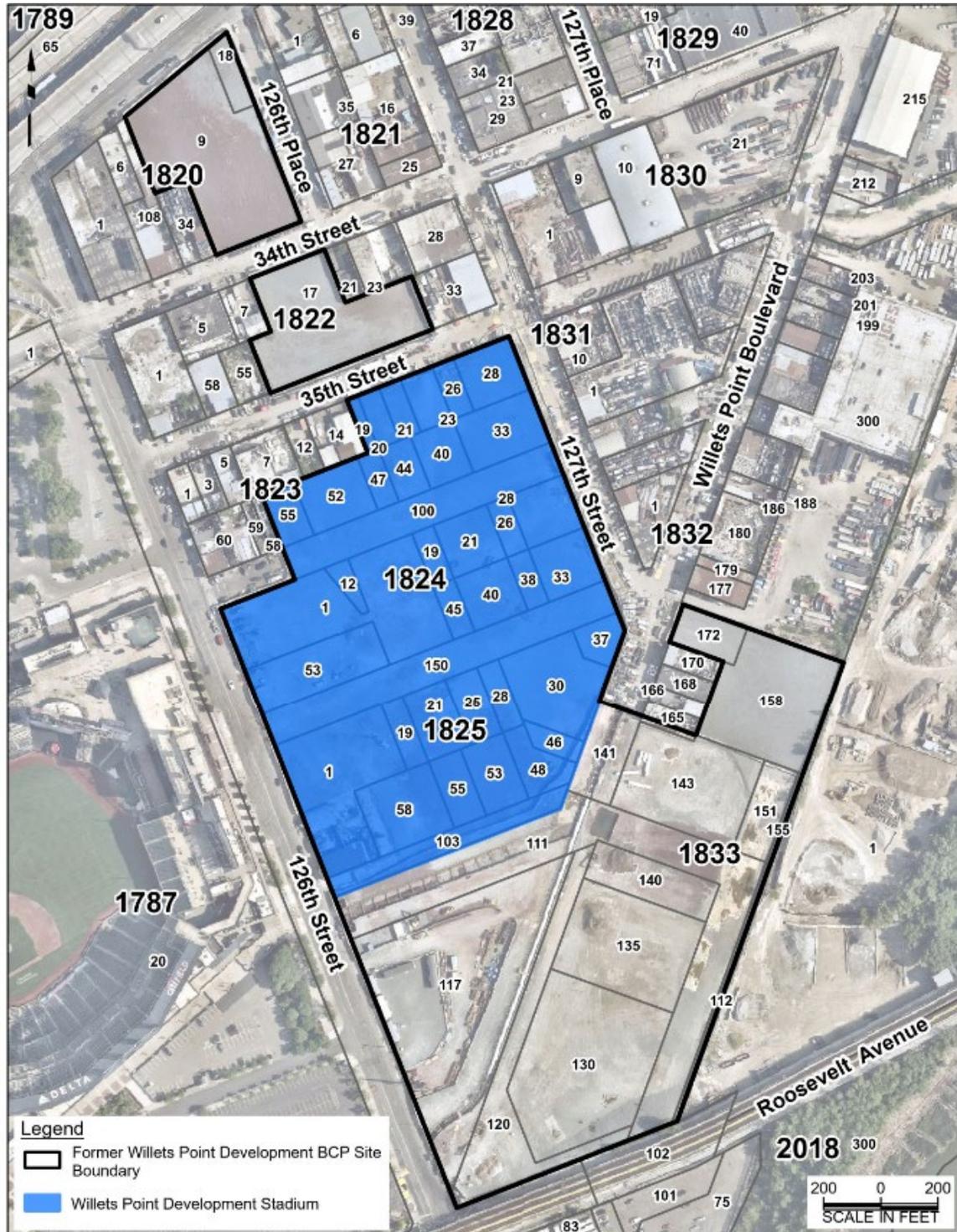
Note: Please disregard if you already have signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.

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





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