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

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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.

148-26 Hillside Avenue

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Site No. C241199

Jamaica, Queens County



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NYSDEC Certifies Cleanup Requirements Achieved at Brownfield Site

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) has determined that the cleanup requirements to address contamination related to the 148-26 Hillside Avenue site ("site") located at 148-26 Hillside Avenue, Jamaica, Queens County, under New York State's Brownfield Cleanup Program have been met. Please see the map for the site location.

The cleanup activities were performed by Hillside 168 INC. ("applicant") with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). NYSDEC has approved a Final Engineering Report (FER) and issued a Certificate of Completion (COC) for the site.

- Access the approved FER, Notice of COC and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C241199/>.
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified under "Where to Find Information."

Completion of the Project

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

- Excavation - Excavation and off-site disposal of about 3,658 tons of grossly contaminated soil exceeding the Restricted Residential Use soil cleanup objectives (RRUSCOs), the site-specific cleanup criteria;
- Removal and off-site disposal of eleven 500-gallon underground storage tanks (USTs) and one 1,000-gallon UST;
- Endpoint Sampling - Confirmation soil sampling was completed after the conclusion of site excavation which confirmed achievement of the intended RRUSCOs within the Track 2 Area;
- Sub-slab Depressurization System - An active sub-slab depressurization system (SSDS) was installed under the building foundation slab in the office space/dispatch operations area to mitigate the potential for soil vapor intrusion into the building;
- Soil Vapor Extraction - A soil vapor extraction (SVE) system was installed to remove volatile organic compounds from the subsurface and to prevent offsite migration of contamination in the soil vapor;
- Site Cover System - The new development will maintain a site cover, which consists of the structures (buildings, pavement, sidewalks) comprising the site development;
- Development of a Site Management Plan (SMP) for long-term management of residual contamination as required by the Environmental Easement, including plans for: (1) Institutional and Engineering Controls (IC/ECs); (2) monitoring; (3) operation and maintenance; and (4) reporting;
- Recording of an Environmental Easement to control land use and prevent future exposure to any contamination remaining at the site.

Final Engineering Report Approved

NYSDEC has approved the FER, which:

- 1) Describes the cleanup activities completed.

- 2) Certifies that cleanup requirements have been achieved for the site.
- 3) Describes any institutional/engineering controls to be used. An *institutional control* is a non-physical restriction on use of the site, such as a deed restriction, when contamination left over after the cleanup action makes the site suitable for some, but not all uses. An *engineering control* is a physical barrier or method to manage contamination such as a cap or vapor barrier.
- 4) Certifies that a site management plan for any engineering controls used at the site has been approved by NYSDEC.

The following institutional controls have been put in place on the site:

- Site Management Plan
- Groundwater Use Restriction
- Land Use Restriction
- Environmental Easement

The following engineering controls have been put in place on the site:

- Cover System
- SSDS
- SVE

Next Steps

With its receipt of a COC, the applicant(s) is eligible to redevelop the site. In addition, the applicant(s) is eligible for tax credits to offset the costs of performing cleanup activities and for redevelopment of the site. A COC may be modified or revoked if, for example, there is a failure to comply with the terms of the order or agreement with NYSDEC.

Site Description

The site is 0.397 acres and is identified as block 9694 and lot 17. The site is bounded by Hillside Avenue to the north followed by a two-story mixed-use building with apartments above commercial units, a one-story commercial building occupied by a supermarket to the east, a six-story residential apartment building and a two-story religious building to the south, and a two-story commercial building occupied by the National Organization of Industrial Trade Unions to the west.

Historical operation at this site includes a residential building, filling station with gasoline tanks, auto-repair shops, five abandoned 550-gallon gasoline underground storage tanks (USTs) and an inactive 250-gallon waste oil USTs. The cleanup action included removal of fill and soil exceeding restricted residential SCOs. Material excavated from the site included RCRA hazardous material; contaminated, non-hazardous material; and petroleum-impacted, non-hazardous material.

The proposed development which is not the subject of this proposed remedy includes construction of a mixed-use commercial and residential building.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C241199) 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/C241199/>

Queens Public Library at Richmond Hill

18-14 Hillside Avenue
Queens, NY 11418
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Queens Community Board 12 Office

90-28 161st Street
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Site Location





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