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## **Act Now to Continue Receiving Information About This Site!**

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.



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# FACT SHEET

## Brownfield Cleanup Program

37-24 & 37-28 30th Street  
Redevelopment Site  
37-24 & 37-28 30th Street  
Long Island City, NY 11101

**SITE No. C241214**

**NYSDEC REGION 2**

**July 2019**

### Where to Find Information:

*Project documents are available at the following location(s) to help the public stay informed.*

#### **Queens Library - Long Island City**

37-44 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
Long Island City, NY 11101  
(718) 752-3700

#### **Queens Community Board 1**

45-02 Ditmars Boulevard, LL Suite 1025  
Astoria, NY 11105  
(718) 626-1021

### Who to Contact:

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

#### **Project-Related Questions**

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#### **Project-Related Health 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)

## **Interim Remedial Measure Proposed; Public Comment Period Announced**

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), is proposing an expedited cleanup of contamination at the 37-24 & 37-28 30th Street Redevelopment Site site ("site") located at 37-24 & 37-28 30th Street, Long Island City, NY. Please see the map for the site location. Documents related to the cleanup of this site including the draft Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan can be found at the location(s) identified to the left under "Where to Find Information." NYSDEC is conducting a public comment period because this Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) is likely to represent a significant part of the cleanup for the site. The expedited cleanup activities are expected to begin in August 2019 and last about 2 months. The activities will be performed by 31st Avenue Associates LLC and 37-26 30th Street LLC "applicants" with oversight provided by NYSDEC.

**How to Comment:** NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan for 30 days, from **July 31** through **August 30, 2019**. The proposed plan is available for public review at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information." Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area at left.

**Draft Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) Work Plan:** An IRM is a cleanup activity that may be performed when a source of contamination or exposure pathway (the way in which a person may contact contamination) can be effectively addressed without extensive investigation and evaluation.

The draft IRM work plan describes proposed cleanup activities that include:

- Demolition of buildings;
- Removal and disposal of inactive aboveground storage tanks (ASTs);
- Excavation and off-site disposal of approximately 9,000 cubic yards of material down to approximately 15 feet below ground surface across entire site footprint;
- Dewatering and treatment of encountered groundwater (if needed);
- Collection and analysis of end-point soil samples and post-remedial groundwater samples to evaluate the effectiveness of the remedy;
- Implementation of a Health and Safety Plan (HASP) and Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) during all ground intrusive activities.

**Site Description:** The site is located at 37-24, 37-26 and 37-28 30th Street in Long Island City. The 0.368-acre site is bounded by a 2-story office building to the north, auto repair shop and two residences to the south, 30th Street to the east, and Old Ridge Road to the west. The site is currently vacant. Recently ceased operations included an auto repair shop and two drycleaner operations. Historic use of the site includes manufacturing metal products and plastics (approx. 1947-1970), carpet cleaning (approx. 1967- 1970), printing (approx. 1983-1991), dry cleaning (approx. 1996 to 2018) and auto repair (approx. 2000 to 2018).

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the Site ID, C241214) at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/externalapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>

**Summary of the Investigation:** The primary contaminants of concern at the site are chlorinated volatile organic compounds (VOCs), which are present site-wide in groundwater and soil vapor. Based on the site's previous use as a dry cleaner, the source is likely from historic discharges from machinery or ASTs.

**Next Steps:** NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the plan as necessary, and approve the IRM work plan in consultation with the NYSDOH. The approved work plan will be made available to the public (see "Where to Find Information" on the front page).

When the expedited cleanup activities are completed, a Construction Completion Report will be prepared that documents the activities that were performed.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

**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:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html>

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#### **Receive Site Fact Sheets by Email**

Have site information such as this fact sheet sent right to your email inbox. NYSDEC invites you to sign up with one or more contaminated sites county email listservs at:

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

It's quick, it's free, and it will help keep you better informed. As a listserv member, you will periodically receive site-related information/ announcements for all contaminated sites in the county(ies) you select.

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

# BROWNFIELD CLEANUP PROGRAM

## Site Location Map

