



Department of
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FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

HPS Parcel G
2nd Street
Long Island City, NY 11101

SITE No. C241226
NYSDEC REGION 2

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Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C241226/>
and at these location(s):

Queens Public Library Court Square Branch

25-01 Jackson Ave
Long Island City, NY 11101
(718) 937-2790

Queens Community Board 2

43-22 50th Street
Woodside, NY 11377
(718) 533-8773

*(*Repositories are temporarily unavailable due to COVID-19 precautions. If you cannot access the online repository, please contact the NYSDEC project manager listed below for assistance.)*

Who to Contact

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

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For more information about New York's
Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit:
www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

Cleanup Action Completed at Brownfield Site

Action has been completed to address the contamination related to the HPS Parcel G site ("site") located at 57-28 2nd Street, Queens, New York under New York State's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). Please see Figure 1 for the site location.

Cleanup activities were performed by GO HPS LLC("applicant(s)") with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). The applicant(s) has submitted a draft Final Engineering Report (FER) for NYSDEC review which states that cleanup requirements have been or will be achieved to fully protect public health and the environment for the proposed site use.

- Access project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C241226/>.
- 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 completed to achieve the remedial action objectives:

- Excavation and off-site disposal of soil and historic fill material exceeding the restricted residential use soil cleanup objectives (RRSCOs) to a minimum depth of 15 feet within the Track 2 remedial area (see Figure 2). The remainder of the site was subject to limited excavation, and a cover system was installed to achieve a Track 4 remedy. A total of approximately 11,000 tons of contaminated soil and historic fill material was removed from the site. Clean fill was brought in for subgrade structural requirements.
- Construction dewatering was required to enable deeper excavation and subgrade work. Groundwater from dewatering operations was treated prior to discharge to the municipal sewer system.
- A site cover system has been constructed on the Track 4 portion of the site, which consists of a combination of the concrete building foundation and slab. Outdoor areas have been covered with pavement, hardscaping or landscaping with a minimum of two feet of clean soil placed over a demarcation layer.
- Development of an SMP for long-term management of residual contamination as required by the Environmental Easement, including plans for: (1) Institutional and Engineering Controls; and (2) reporting.
- An Environmental Easement was recorded to prevent future exposure to any contamination remaining at the site and to ensure implementation of the SMP.

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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 applicant(s) would be able to redevelop the site after receiving a COC. In addition, the applicant(s) will be eligible for tax credits to offset a portion of the costs of performing cleanup activities and for redevelopment of the site.

A COC may be modified or revoked if, for example, an applicant does not comply with the terms of its Brownfield Cleanup Agreement with NYSDEC.

Site Description: The site is 0.45-acres and is located, in the Hunter's Point section of Long Island City, NY, and is identified as Block 6 and Lot 20 on the New York City Tax Map. The site is bordered on the west by public open space and Newtown Creek, on the east by City Harvest parking lot and warehouse, and on the north by 2nd Street. Previously, the site was used as a lumber yard and was then incorporated into the adjacent sugar refinery. The footprint of the site appears to have included an incinerator and ash pit related to sugar refinery operations. The refinery was demolished in 1962. The northern portion of the site was developed with a newspaper publishing plant and associated parking from the mid-1970s through 2003 when the building was demolished. The site has remained vacant until current redevelopment. The site is being redeveloped into a mixed residential and commercial use development.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C241226) at:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/external/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://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html>

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.

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Sign up to receive site updates by email:

www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

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://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html>

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Figure 1 - Site Location



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Figure 2 – Cleanup Tracks

