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

### **FACT SHEET**

**Brownfield Cleanup Program** 

Former Yonkers Firehouse 32 John Street Yonkers, Westchester County

November 2022

SITE No. C360191 NYSDEC REGION 3

# **Report Recommends Cleanup of Brownfield Site Contamination**

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) is reviewing the Remedial Investigation Report for the Former Yonkers Firehouse site ("site") located at 32 John Street, Yonkers, Westchester County. 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 32 John Street Yonkers AMS LLC ("applicant").

- Access the RIR and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <a href="https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C360191/">https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C360191/</a>.
- The documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."

Based on the findings of the investigation, 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. This decision is based on the soil, groundwater, and soil gas data collected during the site's remedial investigation (RI).

**Highlights of the Remedial Investigation Report:** Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and metals were found in subsurface soils at concentrations above use-specific soil cleanup objectives. The PAHs and metals are present at depths up to 20 feet below grade and are likely the result of past site uses and historic fill, which is present throughout the site. Emerging contaminants, including perfluorocatanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorocatane sulfonate (PFOS), were detected in the site's groundwater.

**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(s) 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 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 a 0.66-acres, located within an urban portion of the City of Yonkers. The site is comprised of one tax parcel, bounded by John Street

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to the north, New School Street to the west and the Saw Mill River to the south and east. The site is currently unoccupied with a combination of pavement and vegetated areas. The history of the site includes industrial and commercial uses prior to 1927. The site housed the City of Yonkers Fire Department from 1927-2018. Other portions of the site were used for dye, textile, and clothing manufacturing purposes.

The subject property is currently zoned for commercial use and its redevelopment is proposed as future mixed-use, consisting of residential apartments and commercial space.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C360191) at:

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

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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:

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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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