

Where to Find Information:

Project documents are available at these locations to help the public stay informed:

Cohoes Public Library

169 Mohawk Street
Cohoes, NY 12047
Call for hours: 518-235-2570

DEC Region 4 Office

1130 North Westcott Road
Schenectady, NY 12306-2104
Hours: 8:30 AM - 4:45 PM, M-F
Call for appointment: 518-357-2045

For additional information about the Brownfield Cleanup Program, go to:
www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html

Who to Contact:

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

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Draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan for Brownfield Site Available for Public Comment

The public is invited to comment on a draft work plan being reviewed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). The draft work plan, called a "Remedial Investigation Work Plan", describes the proposed approach to investigating the environmental contamination at the Cohoes/Saratoga Road site ("site") located at 401 Saratoga Street in the City of Cohoes, Albany County (see the site location map on page 3). The draft work plan was submitted to DEC by Cohoes II Limited Partnership (the "applicant") under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). More information about the BCP is on page 2. The applicant will perform and pay for the investigation with oversight by DEC and the New York State Department of Health (DOH).

How to Comment: DEC is accepting comments about the draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan from **June 27 through July 27, 2018**. The draft work plan is available for public review at the locations listed on the left side of this page under "Where to Find Information." Please submit written comments to the DEC project manager listed on the left side of this page under "Who to Contact".

Highlights of the Proposed Remedial Investigation: Based on information provided by the applicant, previous investigations have detected semi-volatile organic compounds and metals in the historic fill material used at the site. The proposed Remedial Investigation will define the nature and extent of contamination in soil, groundwater and any other parts of the environment that may be affected.

The key components of the draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan include:

- Installing soil borings and collecting surface and subsurface soil samples for laboratory analysis;
- Installing monitoring wells and collecting groundwater samples for laboratory analysis; and
- Evaluating the sampling results to identify possible on-site sources of contamination and to delineate the extent of contamination at the site.



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Cohoes/Saratoga Road Site
401 Saratoga Street
Cohoes, NY 12047
Site No. C401077
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Next Steps: DEC will review the draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan and consider all public comments received during the 30-day comment period. The applicant will revise the document as needed in order for it to be approved by DEC (DOH must also concur with the plan). Once approved, the activities described in the Remedial Investigation Work Plan will be implemented.

When the investigation is completed, the applicant will prepare a report summarizing the results. DEC will review the report, make any necessary revisions and, if appropriate, approve the report. Next, a cleanup plan, called a "Remedial Work Plan", will be developed and a Decision Document will be proposed. The cleanup plan will include an evaluation of the proposed site remedy, or recommend a no action or no further action alternative. The goal of the cleanup plan is to ensure the protection of public health and the environment. DEC will present the proposed cleanup plan to the public for its review and comment during a 45-day comment period.

Site Description: The 1.736-acre site is located at 401 Saratoga Street in the City of Cohoes, Albany County, New York. The site comprises part of a larger parcel that continues to the north and south and is bound to the west by Saratoga Street and to the east by Cohoes Boulevard (Route 787). Surrounding properties are used for residential, commercial and industrial purposes. There are currently no structures on the site. A gravel access road enters the site from Saratoga Street and leads to the south side of the site, which is used for commercial parking. The north side of the site is heavily vegetated. The Champlain Canal used to cross the east side of the site and has been filled in. Previous investigations have detected semi-volatile organic compounds and metals in the historic fill material used at the site.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, can be found on DEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database by entering the site code (C401077) at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/x/external/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 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:
<http://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.

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

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.



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Site Location Map

