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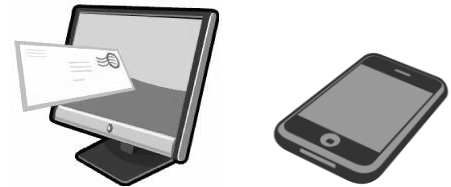
DEC's Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) now distributes information about contaminated sites *electronically by email*.

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

Cohoes/Saratoga Road Site  
401 Saratoga Street  
Albany, NY 12047

**SITE No. C401077**  
**NYSDEC REGION 4**

September 2019

## Report Recommends Cleanup of Brownfield Site Contamination

**Where to Find Information:**  
*Project documents are available at these location(s) to help the public stay informed.*

**Cohoes Public Library**  
169 Mohawk Street  
Cohoes, NY 12047  
(518) 235-2570

**NYSDEC 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

**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)

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) is reviewing the Remedial Investigation Report for the Cohoes/Saratoga Road Site ("site") located at 401 Saratoga Street, City of Cohoes, Albany County. Please see the map for the site location. Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the location(s) identified to the left under "Where to Find Information."

**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 Cohoes II Limited Partnership ("applicant").

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 nature and extent of the existing contaminants identified at the site and the low potential for human exposure to site-related contaminants.

**Highlights of the Remedial Investigation Report:** Based on the investigations completed to date, the contaminants of concern (COCs) in surface soil and subsurface soil down to 12 feet below grade include lead, cadmium and mercury as well as several semi-volatile organic compounds referred to as polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), such as benzo(a)pyrene and indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene.

**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 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 1.7-acre site 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.

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Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the Site ID, C401077) at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/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 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](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 have already signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.

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Site Location Map

