

Department of Environmental Conservation

Where to Find Information*

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator and at these locations: www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C447044/

Schenectady County Public Library 99 Clinton Street Schenectady, NY 12305-2083 (518) 388-4500

NYSDEC Region 4 1130 North Westcott Road Schenectady, NY 12306-2014 (518) 357-2045

*Physical repositories may be 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 always 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

FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

ALCO-Maxon Site - Parcel C 301 Nott Street Schenectady, NY 1230

SITE No. C447044 NYSDEC REGION 4

November 2020

Environmental Cleanup to Begin at Brownfield Site

Action is about to begin that will address contamination related to the ALCO-Maxon Site - Parcel C ("site") located at 301 Nott Street, Schenectady, Schenectady County. Please see the map below for the site location. The cleanup activities will be performed by Maxon ALCO Holdings, LLC ("applicant") with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). NYSDEC has determined that the Remedial Work Plan (RWP), including supplemental task-specific work plans, protects public health and the environment and has approved the plan.

- Access the approved RWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C447044/
- The documents also are available at the locations identified at left under "Where to Find Information."

The upcoming remedial activities are expected to begin in December 2020 and continue for about one week.

Highlights of the Upcoming Cleanup Activities: The goal of the cleanup action for the site is to achieve cleanup levels that protect public health and the environment. The key components of the remedy are:

- In-situ chemical oxidation (ISCO) treatment of chlorinated solvent contamination in soil and groundwater. A chemical oxidant will be injected into the subsurface to destroy the contaminants in the center portion of the site where elevated levels of chlorinated solvents were detected in soil and groundwater;
- Groundwater monitoring to evaluate the effectiveness of the remedy; and
- The remedy also calls for the installation of a site cover, although that work is not expected to begin this year. The site cover will consist either of the structures such as buildings, pavement, sidewalks comprising the site development or a soil cover in areas where the upper two feet of exposed surface soil exceeds the applicable soil cleanup objectives.

A site-specific health and safety plan (HASP) and a Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) will be implemented during remediation activities. The HASP and CAMP establish procedures to protect on-site workers and residents and includes required air monitoring as well as dust and odor suppression measures.

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Next Steps: After the applicant completes the cleanup activities, including installing the site cover, they will prepare a Final Engineering Report and submit it to NYSDEC. The Final Engineering Report will describe the cleanup activities completed and certify that cleanup requirements have been achieved or will be achieved.

When NYSDEC is satisfied that cleanup requirements have been achieved or will be achieved for the site, it will approve the Final Engineering Report. NYSDEC will then issue a Certificate of Completion to the applicant. The applicant would be able to redevelop the site in conjunction with receiving a Certificate of Completion. In addition, the applicant would be eligible for tax credits to offset the costs of performing cleanup activities and for redevelopment of the site.

NYSDEC will issue a fact sheet that describes the content of the Final Engineering Report. The fact sheet will identify any institutional controls (for example, deed restrictions) or engineering controls (for example, a site cover) necessary at the site in relation to the issuance of the Certificate of Completion.

Site Description: Location: The 6.01-acre site is part of the former American Locomotive Company (ALCO) property and is one of three Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) sites comprising the overall cleanup project, which extends from the Mohawk River to Erie Boulevard. The ALCO property was used for the manufacture of railroad locomotives and military hardware from 1849 through 1969. Since 1985, small industrial manufacturing and fabrication companies occupied various buildings at the site. Most of the original buildings were demolished prior to redeveloping the surrounding parcels under the BCP. The ALCO-Maxon Site - Parcel C is currently used by an adjacent steel manufacturer and consists of a gravel lot, which is used as a storage yard, and a single building (Building 330), which is used as a paint shop. Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C447044) at:

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Brownfield Cleanup Program: New York's 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 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: 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.

Stay Informed With DEC Delivers 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: www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html

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Site Location

