# **Remedial Investigation Work Plan**

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# LOFTS AT 1117 1117 WEST FAYETTE STREET CITY OF SYRACUSE, ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

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# **ACRONYM LIST**

AAR	ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS REPORT
ASP	Analytical Services Protocol
BCP SITE	1117 West Fayette Street
BGS	BELOW GROUND SURFACE
OCDWEP	Onondaga County Department of water Environmental
	PROTECTION
CAMP	COMMUNITY AIR MONITORING PLAN
CPP	CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN
DER	DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION
DUSR	DATA USABILITY AND SUMMARY REPORT
EDD	Electronic Data Deliverable
ELAP	Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program
HASP	Health and Safety Plan
IRM	INTERIM REMEDIAL MEASURES
MS/MSD	Matrix Spike / Matrix Spike Duplicate
NYSDEC	New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
NYSDOH	New York State Department of Health
РАН	POLYCYCLIC AROMATIC HYDROCARBONS
РСВ	Polychlorinated Biphenyl
PID	PHOTO-IONIZATION DETECTOR
RI	Remedial Investigation
RWP	Remedial Work Plan
SCO	Soil Cleanup Objectives
SVI	Soil Vapor Intrusion
SVOC	Semi-volatile Organic Compounds
U.S. EPA	UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
UST	Underground Storage Tank
VOC	VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This document presents the Remedial Investigation (RI) Work Plan for the property located at 1117 West Fayette Street in Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York (the "Site"). The project details are summarized below:

## Contaminant Source and Constituents

Environmental information currently exists for the Site from a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) dated June 2022 and a Phase II ESA completed in September 2022. The subsurface investigations identified semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) and metals at elevated concentrations in soil. The elevated concentrations appear to be related to the following sources:

- The placement of historic fill material (HFM) across the Site.
- Historical manufacturing operations associated with the Site included painting, printing, as well as car part, machine, toy, and hat manufacturing. Such activities typically included the use of a variety of hazardous materials such as metals, solvents, cleaners, finishing chemicals, etc. There is a potential for residual manufacturing dust and debris to have contaminated the soils on the Site.

In addition to on-site sources, there is also the potential for impacts related to adjacent properties with historical uses for dry cleaning and various manufacturing processes.

#### Extent of Known Contamination

Based on the information gathered to date, the elevated concentrations of contaminants are generally present across the Site within the HFM, which extends to approximately five feet below ground surface (bgs).

### Proposed Site Redevelopment

The anticipated post remediation use of the site is a residential (apartment building). The completed project is expected to provide approximately 38 low-income residential units totaling approximately 22,573 square feet. The project is expected to provide seven on-site parking spots and 22 leased parking spots from the lot adjacent to the west of the Site. However, the applicant is investigating the ability to purchase land to the west for future inclusion into this BCP Site.

#### Remedial Investigation

To characterize Site conditions a RI will be implemented. The RI will include the collection and analysis of surface soil, subsurface soil, groundwater, and soil vapor samples.

#### Interim Remedial Measures

Interim Remedial Measures (IRM) may be proposed based on the results of the RI.

# <u>Cleanup Track</u>

Redev CNY LLC proposes to remediate the Site by pursuing a Track 4 cleanup to Restricted-Residential Use criteria using the Soil Cleanup Objectives at 6 NYCRR Part 375-6.

# **1 INTRODUCTION**

This Remedial Investigation (RI) Work Plan provides a description of the procedures that will be implemented to characterize the nature and extent of contamination at 1117 West Fayette Street (the "Site") and the proposed methods to address that contamination. This RI Work Plan has been prepared consistent with Division of Environmental Remediation "Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation" (DER-10). To effectively characterize the environmental conditions, this RI Work Plan discusses the following:

- Current and historic site conditions
- Contaminants of concern and the extent of the contamination
- Extent of RI activities
- Quality controls and protocols for analytical sampling
- Health and safety procedures to protect site workers and the local community
- Community participation activities

Along with this RI Work Plan, the Applicant has submitted a Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) Application as a BCP Volunteer to investigate and remediate the Site.

The Site has previously been developed and consists of a north and a south building connected by a second story bridge. The Site is currently used as for commercial purposes (office space, screen printing, and electrical contractor warehouse), however the completed project is expected to provide approximately 38 low-income residential units totaling approximately 22,573 square feet. Proposed project drawings are provided in the **Figures** section and show the layout of the proposed Site. As shown in the attached figures and drawings, the interiors of the current buildings at the Site will be reconfigured. The finished Site will be covered with buildings, sidewalks, and asphalt parking and some grass / landscaped areas.

A RI will be implemented to further evaluate the extent of the contamination and to aid in the preparation of an Alternatives Analysis Report (AAR). **Section 4** describes the scope of the investigation during remediation.

# **1.1 Site Description**

The Site is located at 1117 West Fayette Street in the City of Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York. The Site consists of City of Syracuse Tax Map ID #099.-03-03.0. The Site includes two brick and mortar buildings, connected by a second story bridge, which account for approximately 29,063 square feet of gross building space. The buildings were constructed in approximately 1900. The Site is approximately 0.46 acres in size, which includes asphalt driveways, a concrete courtyard area (previously a building), and small green areas.

The Site is located in the Syracuse Westside community. The site is bounded to the north by West Fayette Street, to the south by a shopping plaza, east by a multi-tenant commercial building, and west by a parking lot.

**Figure 1** shows the location of the Site and **Figure 2** shows the Project Area and Site Boundaries.

# **1.2** Site History

The Site has been used for industrial and commercial purposes since it was first developed in approximately 1900. Site operations included include a gear company, a hat manufacturer, toy manufacturing, screw-type machining, printing, and painting. Gear manufacturing typically involves the machining of ferrous or non-ferrous metals, coolants or oils for lubrication / cutting, and solvents or acids for cleaning. Screw-type machining involves similar types of activities and chemicals. Paints historically contained heavy metals, including lead.

The following table summarizes the historical and current operations on the Site based on the June 2022 Phase I ESA:

Years	Occupants		
Prior to 1925	Kemp Manufacturing		
F1101 to 1925	Burpee MFGO Co		
1925-1930	Brown Lipe Gear Co.		
1949-1959	Spinney B H Co (electrical appliances sales)		
1973-1988	Paramount Cap Co Inc (hat manufacturer)		
1973-1900	Ward Sales Company, Inc. (toy manufacturing)		
	Howard Joan, Pioneer Screw Machines		
1998	Ward Sales Company, Inc. (printing/painting)		
	Welling Industries		
	Concord Recording Studio		
2000	Pioneer Screw Machine Products		
2000	Ward Sales Company, Inc.		
	Wood Chuck		
2003	Concord Recording Studio		
2003	Ward Sales Company, Inc.		
	Black Sun Entertainment		
2008	Concord Recording Studio		
2008	Pioneer Screw Machine Products		
	Ward Sales Company, Inc.		
2012-Present	AM Electric, Inc.		
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The applicant purchased the Site in November 2022. The most recent operators at the site consist of AM Electric, Inc. (electrical contractor) and Ward Sales Company, Inc. (screen printing and graphic design).

# 1.3 Site Geography, Geology, and Hydrogeology

The Site contains HFM with observed thickness up to approximately five feet. Per 6 NYCRR Part 375, historic fill is defined as: *non-indigenous or non-native material, historically deposited or disposed in the general area of, or on, a site to create useable land by filling water bodies, wetlands or topographic depressions, which is in no way connected with the subsequent operations at the location of the emplacement, and which was contaminated prior to emplacement.* The HFM contains gravel, sand, brick, ash, and coal. Native soil is located below the HFM and consists of silt and fine, medium, and coarse sand.

During previous investigations, groundwater was encountered between 8 and 12 feet below grade at two temporary groundwater monitoring wells. The Site is at an elevation of 395

feet above mean sea level. The topography of the Site is generally flat. Harbor Brook flows in a general northerly direction approximately 250 feet west of the Site. Groundwater in the area is assumed to move generally to the northwest towards Harbor Brook, which empties into the southern end of Onondaga Lake located approximately 1.4 miles northwest of the Site.

The primary drinking water source for the City of Syracuse is Skaneateles Lake located 15 miles to the southwest. Water processed in the Onondaga County Water Authority (OCWA) potable water plants for the City of Syracuse undergoes varying levels of treatment to ensure that drinking water meets NYSDEC and United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) standards. Groundwater in the City of Syracuse is prohibited from being used for public drinking water supply.

# 2 <u>Summary of Environmental Conditions</u>

# 2.1 Environmental Reports

Environmental information currently exists for the Site from a Phase I ESA completed by C&S Engineers, Inc. (C&S), dated June 2022 and a Phase II ESA completed by C&S in September 2022. The following summarizes these efforts. These reports are provided in **Appendix A**.

#### <u>C&S Phase I ESA Report – June 2022</u>

The June 2022 Phase I ESA identified the following RECs:

- The historical painting operation on the Site was considered a REC due to the possible mishandling and / or improper storage of paints, solvents, and other chemicals (and resulting wastes) commonly used during painting operation.
- The historical manufacturing operations on the Site was considered a REC due to the possible mishandling and / or improper storage of paints, solvents, and petroleum products (and resulting wastes) commonly used during manufacturing processes.
- The historical operation of a railroad within the immediate area of the Site was considered a REC due to the possible petroleum or chemical releases during transport.
- The historical presence of a dry-cleaning operation within the immediate area of the Site was considered a REC due to the concern for chlorinated solvents commonly associated with dry-cleaning operations.
- Several five-gallon containers and 55-gallon drums, as well as a bulk storage tank, of oil are present in the southeastern corner room of the southern building. The drums appeared to be in poor condition and no active leaks were observed. A large amount of staining and buildup of an unknown material is present in the area of these containers. The presence and conditions of the containers and staining around them was considered a REC.

### <u>C&S Phase II ESA – September 2022</u>

The September 2022 Phase II ESA (i.e., Investigation) was completed to obtain an overview of the environmental and subsurface conditions. It was not the intent of the Investigation to delineate potential impacts from historical site uses. A ground penetrating radar (GPR) survey has not been completed to identify buried private utilities or investigate for the potential of buried features such as dry wells or underground storage tanks (USTs).

The Investigation consisted of the advancement of 16 soil borings, installation of two temporary monitoring wells, and collection of three sets of indoor air / sub-slab air samples. A total of ten soil samples, two groundwater samples, and three sets of indoor air / sub-slab

air samples were collected and submitted for laboratory analysis. Soil samples were analyzed for a combination of New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Part 375 VOCs; Part 375 SVOCs; and Part 375 metals. Groundwater samples were analyzed for NYSDEC Part 375 VOCs; Part 375 SVOCs; and Part 375 metals analysis. The air samples were analyzed via USEPA Method TO-15 for VOCs.

The following table summarizes the areas investigated, as well as the number and types of samples collected during the C&S Investigation.

Area	Sampling Method	No. of Samples	Analysis
Subsurface Soil	Geoprobe Borings (10)	4	VOC, SVOC, Metals
Subsurface Soil	Hand-Auger Borings (6)	6	SVOC, Metals
Groundwater	Manually bailed from temporary well (2)	2	VOC, SVOC, Metals
Sub-slab, Indoor, and Outdoor Air	Summa Canister (7)	3 Sets	VOC

The principle contaminants at the site are SVOCs and metals, as follows:

	Number of Exceedances					
Analyte	Protection of	Unrestricted	Residential	<b>Residential-</b>	Commercial	Industrial
	Groundwater	SCO	SCO	<b>Restricted SCO</b>	SCO	SCO
Benzo(b)fluoranthene		1	1	1		
Chrysene	1	1	1			
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene		1	1	1		
Barium		2	2	1	1	
Copper		6	1	1	1	
Lead	1	8	1	1	1	1
Mercury	2	8	2	2	1	1
Nickel	1	2	1			
Zinc		4				
Cyanide	1	1	1	1	1	

Analytical sample results from the Investigation are summarized in detail below.

### <u>Sampling Data</u>

A total of four soil samples from geoprobe borings and six soil samples from hand-augered borings were collected from within the BCP Site boundaries in September 2022. The soil samples were analyzed for a combination of NYSDEC Part 375 VOCs, Part 375 SVOCs, and Part 375 metals.

#### Soil Data Summary:

Comparison of the soil analytical data to the Part 375-6 SCOs indicates:

• The only VOC exceedance of Unrestricted Use SCOs was acetone in SB-10 (7.5-9). No VOCs were detected at concentrations greater than Restricted Residential SCOs.

- SVOCs were detected at concentrations greater than Restricted-Residential Use SCOs at one location (SB-10A). Benzo(b)fluoranthene and indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene were detected at 1.1 and 0.61 parts per million ppm, respectively. The Restricted-Residential Use SCOs are 1 ppm and 0.5, respectively. A chrysene concentration of 1.2 ppm at SB-10 exceeds the Protection of Groundwater SCO of 1 ppm.
- Metals were detected at concentrations greater than Unrestricted and Restricted Residential SCOs.
  - A barium concentration (462 mg/kg) exceeded the Commercial Use SCO (400 mg/kg) at one location.
  - A copper concentration (436 mg/kg) exceeded the Commercial Use SCO (270 mg/kg) at one location.
  - A lead concentration (4,720 mg/kg) exceeded the Industrial Use SCO (3,900 mg/kg) at one location. At that concentration, the soil may be hazardous for lead. The concentration also significantly exceeds the Protection of Groundwater SCO of 450 ppm.
  - Mercury concentrations (2.32 and 11.6 mg/kg) exceeded the Restricted Residential SCO of 0.81 mg/kg at one location and the Industrial Use SCO of 5.7 mg/kg at one location. The concentrations at both locations exceed the Protection of Groundwater SCO of 0.73 ppm. Four other locations (SB-02A, SB-05A, SB-06, and SB-10A are just below the Protection of Groundwater SCO. Concentrations at these locations range from 0.549 to 0.638 ppm.
  - The nickel concentration of 154 ppm at SB-10 exceeds the Protection of Groundwater SCO of 130 ppm.
  - A cyanide concentration (140 mg/kg) exceeded the Commercial Use SCO (27 mg/kg) at one location. That concentration also exceeds the Protection of Groundwater SCO of 40 ppm.

A summary of the soil data, as taken from the C&S September 2022 Phase II ESA, is provided in **Figure 3A**.

#### Groundwater Data Summary:

Based on the September 2022 Phase II ESA, the known contaminants of concern in the groundwater include SVOCs and metals. The following table summarizes the analytes detected at concentrations greater than TOGs 1.1.1 Class GA Ambient Water Quality Standards. Six SVOCs were detected at concentrations greater than standards and 15 metals were detected at concentrations marginally to significantly greater than standards.

Analyte	TOGs 1.1.1 Class GA Ambient Water Quality Standard	MW-1	MW-2
Benzo(a)anthracene	0.002	0.04	0.04
Benzo(a)pyrene	0	0.02	0.02
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	0.002	0.03	0.03
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	0.002	0.01	0.01
Chrysene	0.002	0.02	0.01
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	0.002	0.02	0.02
Arsenic	25	68.9	295.9
Barium	1,000	3,549	5,871

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Analyte	TOGs 1.1.1 Class GA Ambient Water Quality Standard	MW-1	MW-2
Beryllium	3	15.76	38.77
Cadmium	5	6.2	15.5
Chromium	50	588.7	996.4
Copper	200	1,101	2,380
Iron	300	588,000	1,050,000
Lead	25	2,003	4,180
Magnesium	35,000	924,000	396,000
Manganese	300	30,580	30,170
Mercury	0.7	5.85	18.12
Nickel	100	1,048	1,322
Sodium	20,000	172,000	42,100
Thallium	0.5	10.06	10.07
Zinc	2,000	2,258	6,368

Standards and Results are reported in µg/L

A summary of the groundwater data, as taken from the C&S September 2022 Phase II ESA, is provided in **Figure 3B**.

#### Sub-slab / Indoor Air Data Summary:

The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) has a limited list of compounds with air guideline values (AGV). Additionally, the NYSDEC and NYSDOH do not currently have standards, criteria or guidance values for concentrations of petroleum-related compounds in soil vapor or indoor air. However, the NYSDOH has developed guidance in the form of decision matrices comparing sub-slab and indoor air concentrations of compounds and, based on these concentrations, providing recommended actions.

Comparison of the sub-slab / indoor air analytical data to the above-mentioned guidance values indicates:

- No analytes were detected above NYSDOH AGVs in the indoor air samples.
  - Low-level (< 2.7  $\mu$ g/m<sup>3</sup>) methylene chloride was detected in all samples, including OA-1, which was 3.0  $\mu$ g/m<sup>3</sup>.
  - $\circ~$  Tetrachloroethylene was detected in SS-1 at a concentration of 3.1  $\mu g/m^3$ . The corresponding indoor air concentration at IA-1 was < 1.0  $\mu g/m^3$ .
  - $\circ~$  Low-level trichloroethene was detected in SS-1 / IA-1, IA-2, IA-3, and OA-1. The concentrations were similar and ranged from 0.32  $\mu g/m^3$  to 0.48  $\mu g/m^3$ .
  - Petroleum-related compounds were detected in the indoor air.
    - $\circ~$  1,2,4-trimethylbenzene (3.5  $\mu g/m^3$  to 7.2  $\mu g/m^3$ ), benzene (0.35  $\mu g/m^3$  to 4.4  $\mu g/m^3$ ), m,p-xylene (1.3  $\mu g/m^3$  to 12  $\mu g/m^3$ ), o-xylene (0.56  $\mu g/m^3$  to 4.3  $\mu g/m^3$ ), and toluene (2.7  $\mu g/m^3$  to 22  $\mu g/m^3$ ) was detected in IA-1, IA-2, and IA-3.
    - $\circ~$  Low-level 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene (< 1.8  $\mu g/m^3$ ) and ethylbenzene (< 3.3  $\mu g/m^3$ ) was detected in IA-2 and IA-3.
    - Petroleum-related compound concentrations were greater in IA-2 and IA-3 which were located in the southern building on the site. Of IA-2 and IA-3, IA-3 concentrations of petroleum-related compounds were greater. IA-3 was

located approximately 25 feet from a closet storing petroleum and chemical products.

• According to the NYSDOH decision matrices, the laboratory analytical data indicates that no further action is necessary regarding vapor intrusion.

A summary of the soil vapor data, as taken from the C&S September 2022 Phase II ESA, is provided in **Figure 3C**.

# 2.1.1 Prior Remedial Events

The Site was identified in the NY SPILLS database, as described in a June 2022 Phase I ESA by C&S. Motor vehicle crashes occurred in 2003 and 2008, causing the release of transformer oil from utility poles along the roadway. In both instances, the spills were reportedly remediated. Due to the remedial actions taken and the NYSDEC closing the spill files, the June 2022 Phase I ESA concluded that the spills were not a concern relative to the environmental condition of the Site.

# 2.2 Nature and Extent of Contamination

The soil across the Site generally consists of HFM generally extending to five feet below grade. The HFM was observed across the majority of the exterior of the Site. Consistent with HFM found in cities in the Northeast US, this historic fill contains SVOC and metal contamination, as shown in recent sampling. No discrete contamination layer was observed within the fill, and therefore, the extent of contamination within the fill material is difficult to identify due to its heterogeneous nature.

There is also a potential for HFM to be present beneath the building footprint. Impacts related to HFM beneath the building footprint will be documented as part of the Remedial Investigation as described in **Section 4**.

Impacts to groundwater will be documented as part of the Remedial Investigation as described in **Section 4**.

# **3 OBJECTIVES, SCOPE AND RATIONALE**

The objectives of the scope of work described in this Work Plan are to evaluate contaminant impacts for the subsequent identification and evaluation of appropriate remedial actions necessary to redevelop the Site. The investigation work will include evaluating the nature and extent of contaminant impacts, conducting a qualitative exposure assessment for actual or potential exposures to contaminants at the Site and / or emanating from the Site, and producing data that will support the development of an acceptable RI Report and subsequent AAR.

The RI is based on information previously gathered regarding historical operations conducted at the Site, the results of the subsurface investigations, and the project objectives. The RI will include the following:

- Buried Utilities Evaluation This task will consist of using various geophysical screening methods to determine if buried features, such as dry wells, USTs, vaults, etc. are present on the exterior of the Site. The geophysical survey may include the use of an electromagnetic metal detector; ground conductivity (quad-phase); magnetic susceptibility (in-phase); and / or ground penetrating radar (GPR). The survey line spacing will be appropriate for the particular unit in use at that time.
- Soil Evaluation This task will consist of the following elements: surface soil, historic fill, and underlying native soil characterization.
  - Surface soils will be characterized to assess the nature and extent of contamination in the shallow subsurface across the Site.
  - HFM will be characterized to identify the nature and extent of contamination within the fill.
  - The underlying native soils will be characterized to determine the depth of impacts from the overlying HFM and / or Site operations.
  - Soil borings will be advanced on the interior and exterior of the Site.
  - Soil located beneath the concrete building slab at the location of former drums and a used oil AST will be assessed and sampled.

The locations of the proposed surface soil sampling locations and soil borings are shown in **Figure 4 and 5**, respectively.

- Groundwater Evaluation Subsequent to completing soil investigation tasks, groundwater monitoring wells will be installed. Proposed well locations are shown on **Figure 5**. If field conditions observed during the RI require a significant change to the proposed locations, their adjusted locations will be discussed with the NYSDEC.
- Soil Vapor Intrusion (SVI) Sampling Sub-slab, indoor air, and outdoor air samples will be collected. Proposed SVI sample locations are shown on Figure 6.

The RI activities will be completed consistent with NYSDEC Part 375-6 and NYSDEC Division of Environmental Remediation: Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation dated May 2010 (DER-10).

# 4 **<u>REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION</u>**

This part of the RI Work Plan describes the scope of investigative work necessary to collect sufficient data to determine the extent of contaminated fill material which will support a subsequent AAR and RWP in achieving **Residential-Restricted Use SCOs under Track 4**. This section of the RI Work Plan includes:

- Field Investigation
- Sampling Program
- Laboratory Analysis

# 4.1 Field Investigation

The RI is intended to supplement the previous subsurface investigation information by the advancement of soil borings, installing monitoring wells, and collecting and analyzing soil, groundwater, and SVI samples.

# 4.1.1 Surface Soil Sampling

Surface soil samples will be collected across the Site. Up to seven surface soil samples will be spatially distributed across the Site. These areas are currently covered with asphalt with stone subbase below. The samples will be collected from the first 2 inches of soil material from below the asphalt / subbase using a decontaminated, stainless steel spoon or spatula. Surface soil samples will be collected at the locations shown on **Figure 4**.

The surface soil samples will be analyzed for the following analyte list:

- Part 375 VOCs
- Part 375 SVOCs
- Part 375 pesticides / herbicides
- PCBs
- Part 375 metals, including total mercury
- Cyanide and hexavalent chromium
- Per-and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) and 1,4-dioxane

# 4.1.2 Soil Boring Program

Soil borings will be advanced across the Site to facilitate the sampling of HFM and native material. The soil borings will also be utilized for the construction of groundwater monitoring wells. In general, borings have been positioned to ensure complete coverage of the Site. Proposed exploration locations are shown on **Figure 4**, which includes **15** exterior soil borings and **8** interior soil borings.

Subsurface areas showing signs of impacts (staining, odors, free product, and measureable volatile vapors) will be further investigated. Soil sampling analytical data will be assessed, in consultation with NYSDEC and New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) to determine the need for additional SVI sampling.

Each soil boring will be advanced into native material, up to 16 feet (ft) bgs or to the top of bedrock (whichever is shallower), or at the discretion of the project geologist and with consultation from NYSDEC. Exploration locations will be located with a hand-held global positioning system (GPS) device or tape measured from existing site features.

From the borings, fill and native soil samples, or soils physically impacted will be collected to document Site conditions. Five soil boring locations will also be used for the construction of groundwater monitoring wells, as discussed in **Section 4.1.3 Groundwater Monitoring**.

For the borings in which wells will not be installed, a direct-push drilling rig will be used to advance the borings. Each boring location will be continuously sampled in four- or five-foot intervals using a two-inch by four- or five-foot stainless steel sampling tube fitted with a disposable acetate liner. All non-disposable sampling equipment will be decontaminated between runs and between drill locations to avoid potential cross contamination of samples.

In locations where direct-push techniques are not feasible and / or groundwater wells will be constructed, a rotary drill will be used to advance 4-1/4-inch hollow stem augers. Split-spoon samples will be advanced at two-foot intervals using a 140-pound hammer ahead of the augers. The augers and drilling rods will be decontaminated prior to use via high pressure sprayer. The split-spoons will be decontaminated prior to use via an Alconox wash followed by a potable water rinse. Between each soil sample and soil boring, decontamination procedures will be repeated.

Soils from the split-spoons and acetate liners will be screened in the field for visible impairment (e.g. staining), olfactory indications of impairment, evidence of non-aqueous phase liquids (NAPLs), and / or indication of detectable VOCs over 10 ppm with a 10.6 eV PID. Such evidence is collectively referred to as "evidence of impairment" and the results will be recorded on boring logs. The soil boring logs will also include soil description, PID readings, etc. The boring logs will be included in the RI Report.

### <u>Fill Sampling</u>

Fill samples will be collected from borings based on evidence of impairment and to provide characterization across the Site. Fill samples will be collected based on evidence of impairment, spatial distribution, and fill type. At least one sample will be collected from each boring where fill is encountered. The fill samples will be collected and analyzed for the following:

- Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons
- Part 375 VOCs
- Target compounds list SVOCs (includes carcinogenic and non-carcinogenic compounds)
- Part 375 pesticides / herbicides
- PCBs
- Target analyte list (TAL) metals, including total mercury (includes priority pollutant metals)
- Cyanide and hexavalent chromium
- PFAS and 1,4-dioxane

## Native Soil Sampling

Native soil will be visually assessed in each of the locations from its upper extent to at least 15 feet below ground surface. In order to assess the impact of fill and / or Site operations on the underlying native soil, soil samples will be collected from the top of native material in each boring. The soil samples will be collected and analyzed for:

- Part 375 VOCs
- Part 375 SVOCs
- Part 375 pesticides / herbicides
- PCBs
- Part 375 metals, including total mercury
- Cyanide and hexavalent chromium
- PFAS and 1,4-dioxane

# Anomaly Area Soil Sampling

If identified, soil will be visually assessed in anomaly locations identified by the geophysical study. Soil will be assessed from ground surface to no more than two feet below the anomaly terminus. In order to assess possible impacts in the fill / soil, a total of four soil samples are reserved for the collection and analysis from these potential areas. Contingent on field observations and discussions with the NYSDEC project manager, the soil samples may be analyzed for one or a combination of the analytes listed below. In addition, any anomaly areas will be documented in the remedial investigation report, including locations on figures.

- Part 375 VOCs
- Part 375 SVOCs
- Part 375 pesticides / herbicides
- PCBs
- Part 375 metals, including total mercury
- Cyanide and hexavalent chromium
- PFAS and 1,4-dioxane

# 4.1.3 Groundwater Monitoring

To characterize groundwater conditions at the Site, 6 monitoring wells will be installed. **Figure 5** shows the proposed locations of the monitoring wells. The wells will be installed from soil borings discussed in **Section 4.1.1 Soil Borings** and sampled.

The overburden wells will be constructed to intersect the top of the water table. Each well will be completed with 5 to 10 feet of 2-inch Schedule 40 0.010-slot well screen connected to an appropriate length of schedule 40 PVC well riser to complete the well. The annulus will be sand packed with quartz sand to approximately one to two feet above the screened section, and one to two feet of bentonite chips or pellets above the sand. The remaining annulus will be grouted to ground surface. Each well will be completed with a flush-mount protective casing.

Following installation, the monitoring wells will be developed through the removal of up to ten well volumes using dedicated bailers or a peristaltic or submersible pump. Additional

well volumes will be extracted, if necessary to document stabilization of water quality. The effluent will be monitored for temperature, dissolved oxygen, conductivity, oxidation / reduction potential, and turbidity.

Groundwater sampling will follow well development and be conducted using low-flow purging and sampling techniques. Before purging the well, water levels will be measured using an electric water level sounder capable of measuring to the 0.01-foot accuracy. Peristaltic or bladder pumps using manufacturer-specified tubing will be used for purging and sampling groundwater. Sampling protocol and equipment will comply with the most current version of NYSDEC "Groundwater Sampling for Emerging Contaminants" guidance. In addition, calibration, purging and sampling procedures will be performed as specified by the USEPA<sup>1</sup> for low-flow sampling. Decontamination will be conducted after each well is sampled to reduce the likelihood of cross contamination. Calibration times, purging volumes, water levels and field measurements will be recorded in a field log and will be provided in the Remedial Investigation Report.

The groundwater samples will be analyzed for the following analyte list:

- TCL VOCs
- TCL SVOCs
- TCL pesticides / herbicides (1 sample per round)
- PCBs
- TAL metals including mercury (total and filtered)
- Cyanide and hexavalent chromium (total and filtered, 1 sample per round)
- PFAS and 1,4-dioxane. Please note that 100% of the wells will be analyzed for these parameters during the first round of sampling. If detected above a DEC guidance value, PFAS will be tested during the second round of sampling in the respective well.

Drilling decontamination, development, and purge fluids will be collected, containerized, sampled and disposed consistent with DER-10.

A second round of groundwater sampling will be performed two to three months after the first round. Except as noted above, the second round of groundwater samples will be analyzed for the same analytes as in the first round.

### 4.1.4 Soil Vapor Intrusion Sampling

**Regardless of the presence or absence of VOCs in soil or groundwater**, sampling will be performed to ascertain if there is potential SVI into buildings on the Site. Proposed SVI sample locations are shown on **Figure 6**. The sampling will be completed for each building onsite prior to occupancy. The sampling will be performed consistent with NYSDOH Final Guidance for Evaluating Soil Vapor Intrusion in the State of New York, October 2006.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> U.S. EPA Region 1 Low Stress (low-flow) Purging and Sampling Procedure for the Collection of Groundwater Samples from Monitoring Wells, January 19, 2010.

The following is the expected scope and procedure for the sampling:

#### Soil Vapor Investigation

#### **Indoor Air Sampling**

Indoor air samples will be collected using a Summa<sup>™</sup> canister (6-Liter capacity) equipped with a critical orifice flow regulation device sized to allow an air sample to be collected over a 24-hour sampling period. Care will be taken to deploy the canisters away from the direct influence of any forced air emanating from air conditioning units, central air conditioning vents, furnaces or heaters. A building questionnaire and product inventory will be prepared and provided to the Department. The indoor air sampling procedure is as follows:

- Building spaces will be examined to determine appropriate locations for deploying sample canisters. In addition, an inventory of building components / products utilized in or near the sampling areas will be prepared.
- Air sample canisters will be labeled with a unique sample designation number. The sample number and location will be recorded in the field log book.
- The canister vacuum will be measured using an integrated vacuum gauge immediately prior to canister deployment and recorded in the field log book. The critical orifice flow controller will be installed, as supplied by the laboratory, on the canister; the canister will be opened fully at the beginning of sample collection period; and the start time is recorded.
- The canister valve will be closed fully at the end of the sample period by disconnecting the regulator from the canister (after 24-hours) and the end time recorded. Any evidence of canister disturbance during the sample collection will be recorded.
- The canister vacuum will be measured and recorded immediately after canister retrieval at the end of the sample period. Once the vacuum is measured, the canisters will be returned to their sampling boxes for safe storage and shipping. Field data will be verified as correctly entered into field books prior to shipment and the canisters will be shipped to the laboratory under a chain-of-custody.
- Each sample will be analyzed for VOCs via United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Method TO-15.

#### Sub-Slab Soil Gas Sampling

Sub-slab sampling points will be installed to collect soil gas immediately below the slab. The sub-slab samples will be co-located with a corresponding indoor air sample to evaluate the potential from exposure. Sub-slab gas samples will be collected using a 6-Liter Summa<sup>™</sup> canister fitted with a flow orifice pre-calibrated to collect a 6-Liter sample over a 24-hour period. Once the 24-hour sampling period has been completed, the canister will be boxed and shipped to the laboratory for analysis. A brief summary of the sampling protocol is provided below. The sub-slab vapor points will be installed by first advancing a small diameter hole (approximately 3/8-inches in diameter) through the floor slab to determine thickness. The holes will be drilled via a hammer drill. The hole will extend through the slab and terminate at the interface with underlying material (i.e. gravel base or soil). A sample point consisting of a length of tubing will be placed into the boring. The cored slab annulus will be filled with clay placed around the sub-slab vapor point. The bottom of the sub-slab vapor point will extend to the bottom of slab. Prior to sub-slab soil gas sample collection,

the monitoring point and above grade tubing will be purged at a rate not exceeding 200 ml/min. The total volume purged prior to sample collection will equal three volumes of air in the open space of tubing and the sample point. At the end of the sampling event, a pressure gauge reading will be recorded. The 6-Liter canister with a calibrated 24-hour orifice will be connected to the tubing. The following summarizes the above:

- The sub-slab sampling point construction will be temporary, with the sampling points securely mounted through the concrete slab and grouted in place using pottery clay.
- Prior to sub-slab soil gas sample collection, the monitoring point and above grade tubing will be purged at a rate not exceeding 200 ml/min.
- Samples will be collected over a 24-hour period at a flow rate not greater than 200 mL/min.
- Helium will be used as a field tracer during sampling. The Helium will be introduced into a dome next to the above grade sampling train and Summa<sup>™</sup> canister. The helium concentration will be read using a helium meter that is capable to read down to 1-2%.
- Field documentation will be maintained in a field notebook and on field data forms.

# Ambient Air Sampling

Ambient air samples will be collected in the same manner as the indoor air samples.

The laboratory data will be presented in tabular form, compared to NYSDOH air guideline values, and submitted to the NYSDEC and NYSDOH for review.

# 4.2 Sampling Plan and Laboratory Analysis

**Table 1** summarizes the sampling program described in the sections above. Additionally, Quality Assurance / Quality Control (QA / QC) samples will be collected, and the following describes the minimum number of samples per media type.

- Soil samples
  - Blind Duplicate 5% (3 total)
  - Matrix Spike / Matrix Spike Duplicate (MS / MSD) 5% (3 total)
- Groundwater samples
  - Trip blank 1 per shipment / round (2 total)
  - Field Blank 1 per PFAS sampling event (2 possible)
  - Blind Duplicate 5% (1 per round, 2 total)
  - Matrix Spike / Matrix Spike Duplicate (MS / MSD) 5% (1 per round, 2 total)

C&S will utilize the services of an NYSDOH Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP) certified laboratory for analytical testing. The laboratory results for the samples will be reported in a Category B deliverables package to facilitate validation of the data, and a third party validator will review the laboratory data and prepare a Data Usability Summary Report (DUSR). The validator will evaluate the analytical results for the field samples and quality assurance / quality control samples and compare the findings to USEPA guidance to determine the accuracy and validity of the results. The EDD for all media will be uploaded to the EQuIS software application.

# 5 QUALITY ASSURANCE AND QUALITY CONTROL PROTOCOLS

To ensure that suitable and verifiable data results are obtained from the information collected at the Site, quality assurance procedures are detailed in this section.

During the RI the NYSDEC may split any waste, soil, groundwater, or air sample.

# 5.1 Sampling Methods, Analytical Procedures and Documentation

# 5.1.1 Sampling Methods

Sampling procedures will be conducted consistent with the NYSDEC *Sampling Guidelines and Protocols Manual*. Collection of representative samples will include the following procedures:

- Ensuring that the sample taken is representative of the material being sampled;
- Using proper sampling, handling and preservation techniques;
- Properly identifying the collected samples and documenting their collection in field records;
- Maintaining chain-of-custody; and
- Properly preserving samples after collection.

### <u>Soil Sampling</u>

Soil sampling will be performed using two methods: (1) field screening using a PID; and (2) grab samples. Whether soil samples are collected from direct-push rig sleeves or split-spoons, they will be collected as grab samples that are split and placed into jars supplied by the laboratory as well as into individual zip-lock bags for screening. Screening soil samples will be allowed to sit in sealed zip-lock bag for a short period of time (minimum of five minutes). Head space measurements will then be taken from each zip-lock bag. To prevent cross contamination, zip-lock bags will not be reused and will be properly disposed. Calibration of electronic field screening equipment will be completed daily and will be done to manufacturer's specifications.

As detailed in the *Sampling Guidelines and Protocols Manual*, grab samples will be placed in two to 16 ounce wide-mouth, plastic or glass jars, as provided by the lab. Sample jars will immediately be placed on ice in a cooler. The soil will be analyzed on a standard turnaround time. Hexavalent chromium, cyanide, and pesticides / herbicides will be analyzed at a reduced frequency as listed in the above sections.

### <u>Water Sampling</u>

Groundwater sampling will be conducted consistent with NYSDEC and USEPA guidance for low-flow purging and sampling, as described in **Section 4**.

Water samples will be collected via pouring directly into pre-cleaned bottles provided by the laboratory and immediately placing the bottles on ice. The bottles and associated preservatives used, if any, will be based on the requirements of the analytical methods. The water will be analyzed for VOC, SVOC, PCBs, 1,4-dioxane, PFAS, pesticides and metals on a standard turnaround time. Pesticides / herbicides, PCBs, cyanide, and hexavalent

chromium will be analyzed at a reduced frequency as detailed in the above sections. 1,4dioxane and PFAS will be analyzed for 100% of the samples for the first round. Second round analytical requirements for dioxane and PFAS are contingent on the results of the first round sampling.

## <u>SVI Sampling</u>

SVI sampling will be conducted consistent with the methods described in **Section 4**.

Samples will be collected in dedicated canisters provided by the laboratory. The canisters will be based on the requirements of the analytical methods. The samples will be analyzed for TO-15 List VOCs on a standard turnaround time.

### <u>QA/QC Sampling</u>

Matrix Spike / Matrix Spike Duplicates (MS / MSD) and duplicate samples will be collected from a minimum of 5% of the locations, and will be selected randomly. Quality Assurance / Quality Control samples will not be collected and analyzed for the waste characterization sampling.

Sample Type	Matrix	Est. #	Purpose
Surface Soil	Soil	7	Characterization
Historic Fill	Soil	23	Characterization
Native Soil	Soil	23	Confirmatory
Anomalies	Soil	4	Characterization
Groundwater	Water	<mark>12 (6</mark> x 2 rounds)	Characterization
Duplicate – Groundwater	Water	2	QA / QC
Duplicate – Soil	Soil	3	QA / QC
MS/MSD – Soil	Soil	6	QA / QC
MS/MSD – Water	Water	2	QA / QC
Trip Blank – Water	Water	2	QA / QC
Field Blank – Water	Water	2	QA / QC
Total		86	

# Table 6-1: Summary of Estimated Sampling

## 5.1.2 Analytical Procedures

## Laboratory Analysis

Laboratory analysis will be conducted by a third-party laboratory that is accredited by the NYSDOH ELAP. Laboratory analytical methods will include the most current NYSDEC Analytical Services Protocol (ASP).

Soil, groundwater, and SVI samples sent to a certified laboratory will be analyzed in accordance with EPA SW-846 methodology. A combination of the following contaminants will be analyzed:

- TCL VOCs (EPA Method 8260);
- TCL SVOCs (EPA Method 8270);
- TCL Pesticides / Herbicides (USEPA 8081);
- PCBs (USEPA 8082);
- TAL Metals (EPA Method 6010);
- Cyanide (EPA 9010C / 9012B)

- Hexavalent Chromium (EPA 7196A)
- 1,4-dioxane (EPA Method 8270-SIM)
- PFAS (EPA Method 1633)
- SVI VOCs (EPA TO-15)

Category B deliverables will be requested to be used in a third-party data validation.

#### <u>Data Usability</u>

DUSR will be performed by a third-party data consultant using the most recent methods and criteria from the USEPA. The DUSR will assess all sample analytical data, blanks, duplicates and laboratory control samples and evaluate the completeness of the data package. Waste characterization samples will not be validated.

### 5.1.3 Documentation

### <u>Custody Procedures</u>

As outlined in NYSDEC *Sampling Guidelines and Protocols*, a sample is in custody under the following conditions:

- It is in your actual possession;
- It is in your view after being in your physical possession;
- It was in your possession and then you locked or sealed it up to prevent tampering; or
- It is in a secure area.

The environmental professional will maintain all chain-of-custody documents that will be completed for all samples that will leave the Site to be tested in the laboratory.

### Community Air Monitoring

Air monitoring will be conducted for on-site health and safety. Air monitoring will be conducted during active invasive activities periods, such as test boring advancement, test pitting, and well installation. The monitoring will include dust and VOC screening. The specifics of the air monitoring procedures and criteria are detailed in the Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) in **Appendix C** and Health and Safety Plan (HASP) in **Appendix D**.

Mercury vapor monitoring will be performed via a Jerome J405 Gold Film Mercury Vapor Analyzer. The threshold for an exceedance are:

- When the downwind mercury vapor level is greater than 1 μg/m<sup>3</sup> for the 15-minute period, work activities will be halted and monitoring continued. The source of the vapors will be identified, and corrective actions will be taken to abate emissions, and monitoring continued. Corrective actions may include backfilling and cold patching a soil boring, covering exposed soil with polyethylene sheeting, and spraying MERCON-X<sup>®</sup> (or similar) onto exposed soil exhibiting elevated Jerome meter readings. If levels readily decrease (per instantaneous readings) below 1 μg/m<sup>3</sup> above background, work activities will resume with continued monitoring.
- When mercury vapor levels within the work zone persist at levels in excess of 10  $\mu$ g/m<sup>3</sup> above background, work activities will be halted, the source of vapors identified, corrective actions taken to abate emissions, and monitoring continued. After these steps, work activities will resume provided that the mercury vapor level at the site perimeter, is below 1  $\mu$ g/m<sup>3</sup> above background for the 15-minute average.

If an exceedance is recorded at a source location (e.g. soil boring); a sample will also be taken at a downwind location between the source and the Site boundary to determine if there is a potential for an offsite exceedance.

Odors generated from RI activities, that are discernable offsite are not expected. The proposed intrusive work is minor and limited to surface soil sampling, soil borings, and groundwater monitoring wells. The maximum exposed area is approximately 4.5 inches in diameter for the monitoring well borehole. After extraction and initial screening, soil will be stored in Ziploc bags for further screening and then be placed in sampling glassware. Excess soil will be containerized. The boring will be backfilled. As such, soil causing odors will be quickly addressed and mitigated as part of routine handling procedures. If needed, odor neutralizing sleeves such as Atmos RusScent Sleeves or equivalent will be placed at the Site perimeter.

# 6 HEALTH AND SAFETY

To verify the safety of the workers and the local community during the performance of the work, monitoring practices of the work environment will be in place during all phases of RI activities. A Health and Safety Plan (HASP) was prepared that details procedures for maintaining safe working conditions and minimizing the potential for exposure to hazardous material. The HASP is provided in **Appendix D**.

Air monitoring during RI activities will be conducted using a PID and an aerosol particle meter. Details on air monitoring are provided in the Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP), which includes special considerations for working near exposed populations or occupied buildings. The CAMP is provided in **Appendix C**.

# 7 FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES IMPACT ANALYSIS

The Site and surrounding area consists of densely developed urban land in the City of Syracuse. The Site was developed for industrial use in approximately 1900. The Site is approximately 0.46 acres in size, which includes two buildings, asphalt driveways, a concrete courtyard area (previously a building), and small green areas. Due to development activities, the subsurface of the Site consists of approximately five feet of historic fill material.

The NYSDEC Online EAF Mapper was utilized to determine if there are significant natural communities, endangered species, or threatened species on the Site. The land approximately one-quarter of a mile in each cardinal direction from the Site was searched. According to the EAF Mapper, no designated significant natural communities, endangered species, or threatened species were identified within the vicinity of the Site.

Therefore, there are no ecological resources present on the Site and, consequently, no fish and wildlife resource impacts have been identified.

# 8 <u>Reporting</u>

Based on the results of the work described above, a report will be prepared to describe the methodologies and results of the RI. The RI Report will describe:

- Investigative methods;
- Observations and findings;
- Comparison of soil sample results to SCOs;
- Results of the community air monitoring program;
- Analytical results; and
- A qualitative human exposure assessment.

The document will be submitted to the NYSDEC for review and approval.

# 9 <u>SCHEDULE</u>

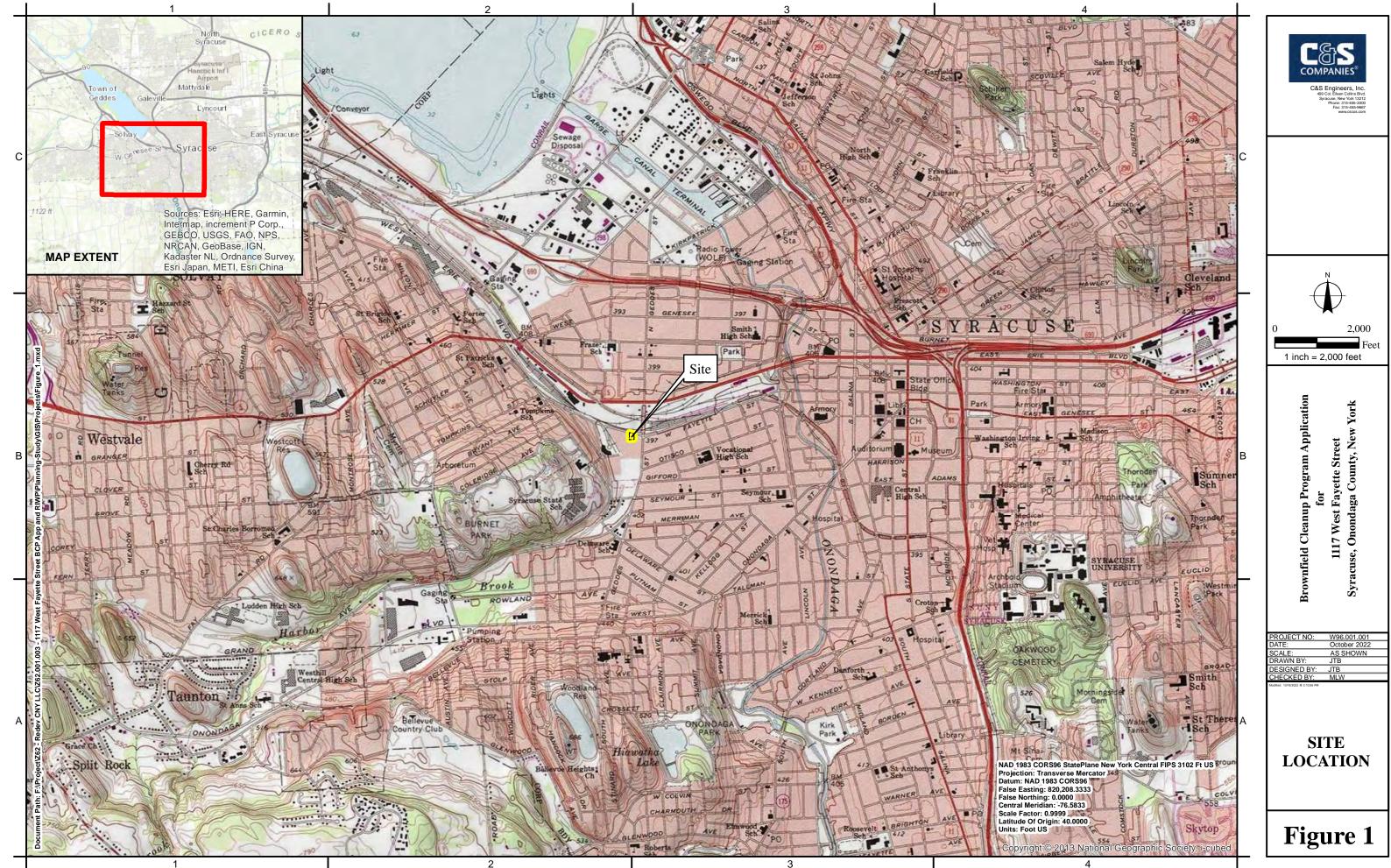
It is assumed that NYSDEC will promptly review this RI Work Plan. Below is an anticipated schedule of milestones for the remediation of the Site.

Estimated Project Schedule:

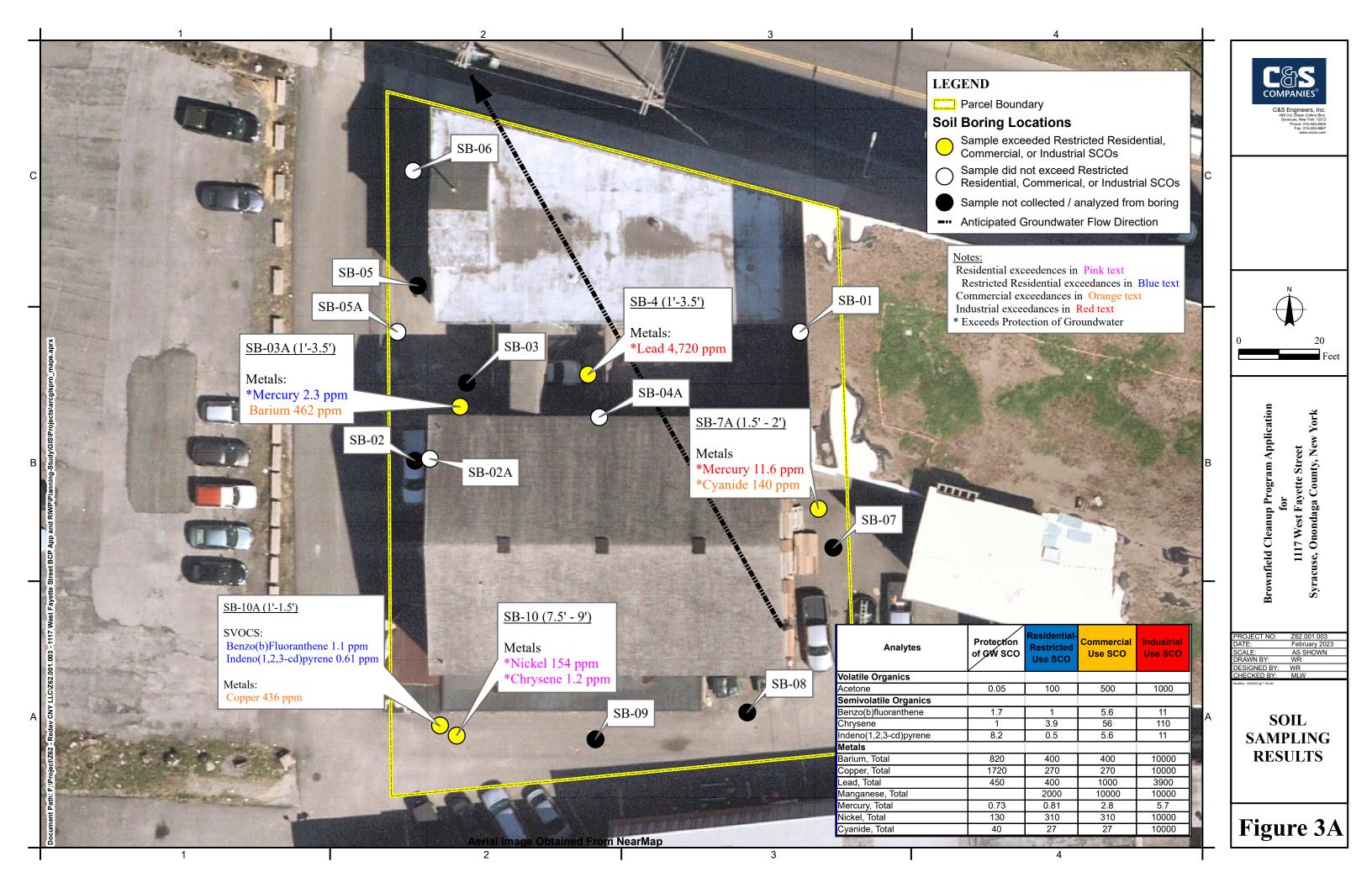
December 2022	Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) Application Submission and Remedial Investigation Work Plan (RIWP) Submission
February 2023	BCP Application Re-Submission
February 2023	BCP Acceptance
June / July 2023	Brownfield Cleanup Agreement (BCA) Executed and RIWP Approved
Spring 2023	Remedial Investigation (RI)
Summer 2023	RI Report Submission and Approval
Summer 2023	Alternative Analysis Report (AAR) and Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) Submission and Approval
Late Summer 2024	Decision Document
Fall 2023	Construction / Remediation Commencement
Spring 2024	Site Management Plan (SMP) / Final Engineering Report (FER)
	Submission
Fall 2024	SMP and FER Approval
December 2024	Certificate of Completion (COC) Issued

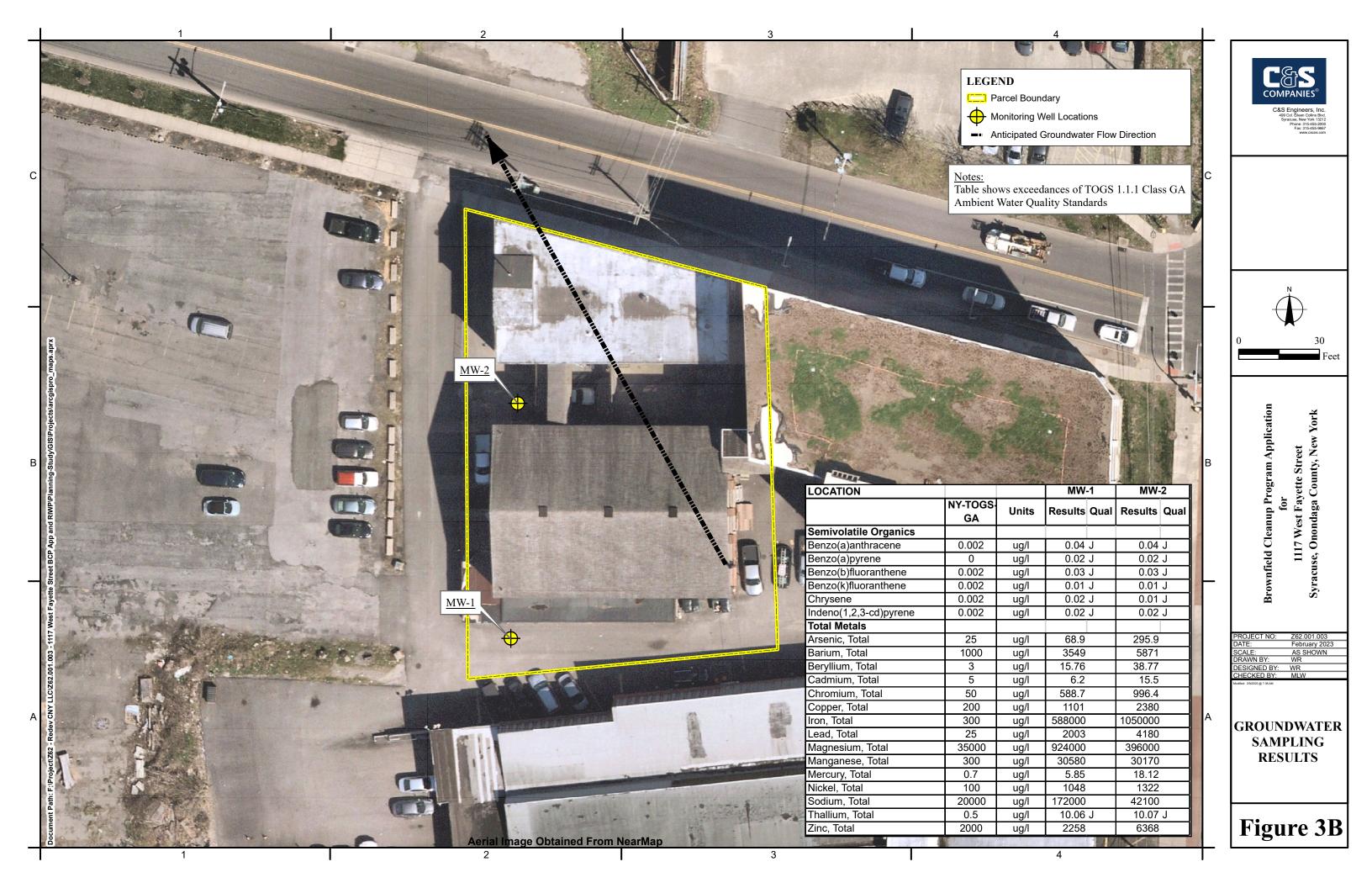
The schedule does not account for the possibility of Interim Remedial Measures (IRMs). If during the RI, impacts are identified that can readily be addressed by IRMs, the schedule will be updated accordingly.

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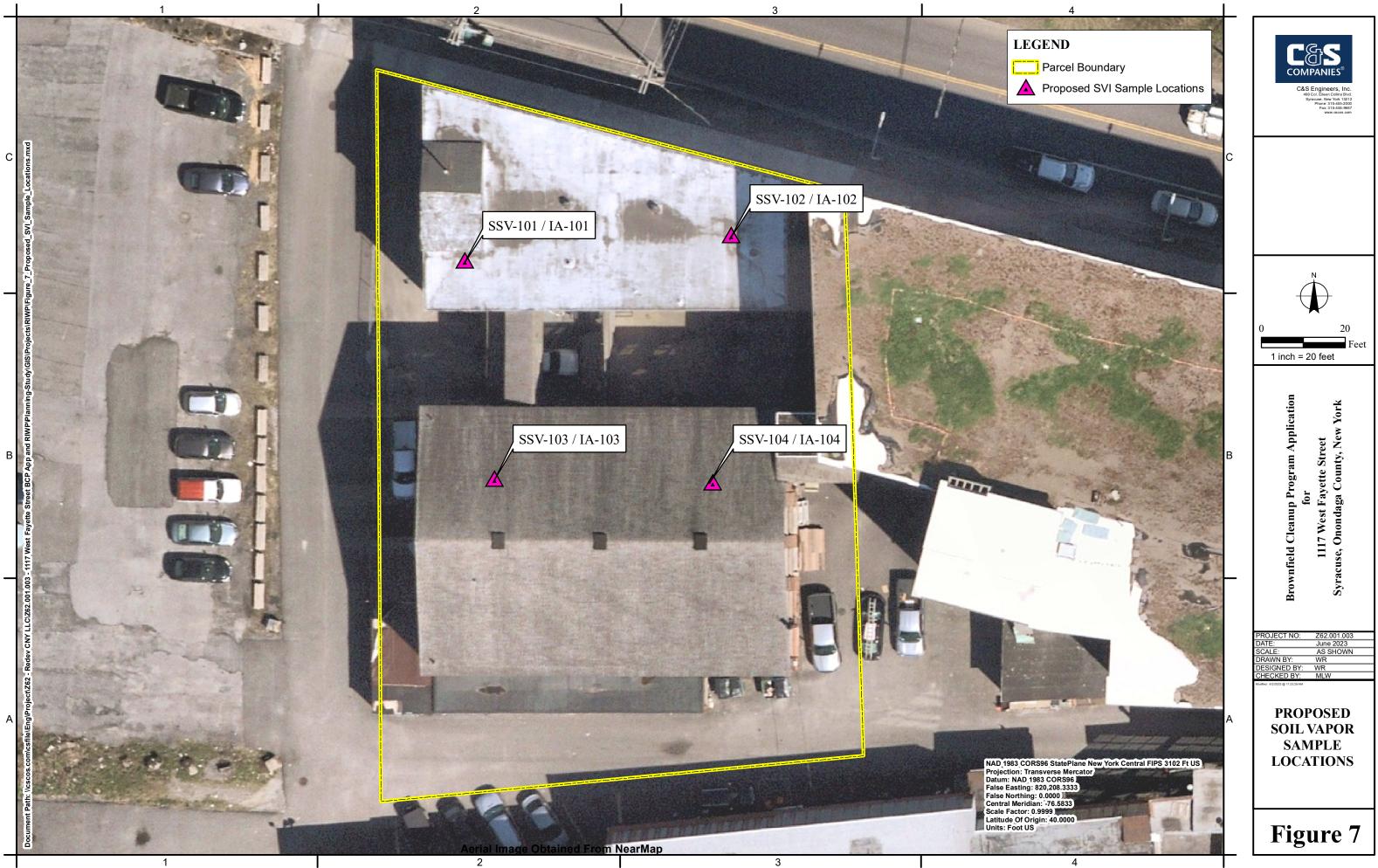


Table 1

Table 1 – Proposed Remedial Investigation Sampling Program				
Task	Location	Number of Samples	Lab Analysis	
Surface Soil Samples	Site-wide	7	Part 375 VOCs, SVOCs, and pesticides / herbicides, PCBs, Part 375 Metals, Cyanide, Hex Chromium, PFAS / 1,4-dioxane	
Historic Fill Samples	Site-wide	23	Part 375 VOCs, TCL SVOCs, Part 375 pesticides / herbicides, PCBs, TAL Metals, Cyanide, Hex Chromium, PFAS / 1,4- dioxane	
Native Soil Samples	Site-wide	23	Part 375 VOCs, SVOCs, and pesticides / herbicides, PCBs, Part 375 Metals, Cyanide, Hex Chromium, PFAS / 1,4-dioxane	
Fill Samples	Anomaly Areas (if present)	4	Part 375 VOCs, SVOCs, and pesticides / herbicides, PCBs, Part 375 Metals, Cyanide, Hex Chromium, PFAS / 1,4-dioxane	
Groundwater Samples	Site-wide	12 (6 x 2 rounds)	TCL VOCs, SVOCs, and pesticides / herbicides, PCBs, TAL Metals (total and filtered), Cyanide, Hex Chromium 1,4-dioxane and PFOS 1 <sup>st</sup> round (2 <sup>nd</sup> round sampling contingent on 1 <sup>st</sup> round results)	
Soil Vapor Samples	Buildings	9 (4 sub-slab, 4 indoor, 1 outdoor)	TO-15 VOCs	

Appendix A Environmental Reports Appendix B Citizen Participation Plan



Department of Environmental Conservation

# **Brownfield Cleanup Program**

### Citizen Participation Plan for Lofts at 1117

August 2023

Site # C734160 1117 West Fayette Street Syracuse Onondaga County, New York

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**Note:** The information presented in this Citizen Participation Plan was current as of the date of its approval by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. Portions of this Citizen Participation Plan may be revised during the site's investigation and cleanup process.

Applicant: **BNZ1117, LLC** Site Name: **Lofts at 1117** Site Address: **1117 West Fayette Street, Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York** Site County: **Onondaga** Site Number: **C734160** 

#### 1. What is New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program?

New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) works with private developers to encourage the voluntary cleanup of contaminated properties known as "brownfields" so that they can be reused and developed. These uses include recreation, housing, and business.

A *brownfield* is any real property that is difficult to reuse or redevelop because of the presence or potential presence of contamination. A brownfield typically is a former industrial or commercial property where operations may have resulted in environmental contamination. A brownfield can pose environmental, legal, and financial burdens on a community. If a brownfield is not addressed, it can reduce property values in the area and affect economic development of nearby properties.

The BCP is administered by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) which oversees Applicants that conduct brownfield site investigation and cleanup activities. An Applicant is a person who has requested to participate in the BCP and has been accepted by NYSDEC. The BCP contains investigation and cleanup requirements, ensuring that cleanups protect public health and the environment. When NYSDEC certifies that these requirements have been met, the property can be reused or redeveloped for the intended use.

For more information about the BCP, go online at: <u>http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html</u>

#### 2. Citizen Participation Activities

#### Why NYSDEC Involves the Public and Why It Is Important

NYSDEC involves the public to improve the process of investigating and cleaning up contaminated sites, and to enable citizens to participate more fully in decisions that affect their health, environment, and social well-being. NYSDEC provides opportunities for citizen involvement and encourages early two-way communication with citizens before decision makers form or adopt final positions.

Involving citizens affected and interest in site investigation and cleanup programs is important for many reasons. These include:

- Promoting the development of timely, effective site investigation and cleanup programs that protect public health and the environment
- Improving public access to, and understanding of, issues and information related to a particular site and that site's investigation and cleanup process
- Providing citizens with early and continuing opportunities to participate in NYSDEC's site investigation and cleanup process
- Ensuring that NYSDEC makes site investigation and cleanup decisions that benefit from input that reflects the interests and perspectives found within the affected community
- Encouraging dialogue to promote the exchange of information among the affected/interested public, State agencies, and other interested parties that strengthens trust among the parties, increases understanding of site and community issues and concerns, and improves decision making.

This Citizen Participation (CP) Plan provides information about how NYSDEC will inform and involve the public during the investigation and cleanup of the site identified above. The public information and involvement program will be carried out with assistance, as appropriate, from the Applicant.

#### Project Contacts

Appendix A identifies NYSDEC project contact(s) to whom the public should address questions or request information about the site's investigation and cleanup program. The public's suggestions about this CP Plan and the CP program for the site are always welcome. Interested people are encouraged to share their ideas and suggestions with the project contacts at any time.

#### Locations of Reports and Information

The locations of the reports and information related to the site's investigation and cleanup program also are identified in Appendix A. These locations provide convenient access to important project documents for public review and comment. Some documents may be placed on the NYSDEC web site. If this occurs, NYSDEC will inform the public in fact sheets distributed about the site and by other means, as appropriate.

#### Site Contact List

Appendix B contains the site contact list. This list has been developed to keep the community informed about, and involved in, the site's investigation and cleanup process. The site contact list will be used periodically to distribute fact sheets that provide updates about the status of the project. These will include notifications of upcoming activities at

the site (such as fieldwork), as well as availability of project documents and announcements about public comment periods. The site contact list includes, at a minimum:

- chief executive officer and planning board chairperson of each county, city, town and village in which the site is located;
- residents, owners, and occupants of the site and properties adjacent to the site;
- the public water supplier which services the area in which the site is located;
- any person who has requested to be placed on the site contact list;
- the administrator of any school or day care facility located on or near the site for purposes of posting and/or dissemination of information at the facility;
- location(s) of reports and information.

The site contact list will be reviewed periodically and updated as appropriate. Individuals and organizations will be added to the site contact list upon request. Such requests should be submitted to the NYSDEC project contact(s) identified in Appendix A. Other additions to the site contact list may be made at the discretion of the NYSDEC project manager, in consultation with other NYSDEC staff as appropriate.

Note: The first site fact sheet (usually related to the draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan) is distributed both by paper mailing through the postal service and through DEC Delivers, its email listserv service. The fact sheet includes instructions for signing up with the appropriate county listserv to receive future notifications about the site. See <a href="http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html">http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html</a>.

Subsequent fact sheets about the site will be distributed exclusively through the listserv, except for households without internet access that have indicated the need to continue to receive site information in paper form. Please advise the NYSDEC site project manager identified in Appendix A if that is the case. Paper mailings may continue during the investigation and cleanup process for some sites, based on public interest and need.

#### CP Activities

The table at the end of this section identifies the CP activities, at a minimum, that have been and will be conducted during the site's investigation and cleanup program. The flowchart in Appendix D shows how these CP activities integrate with the site investigation and cleanup process. The public is informed about these CP activities through a CP website, fact sheets and notices distributed at significant points during the program. Elements of the investigation and cleanup process that match up with the CP activities are explained briefly in Section 5.

• **CP Website, notices and fact sheets** help the interested and affected public to understand contamination issues related to a site, and the nature and progress of efforts to investigate and clean up a site.

• **Public forums, comment periods, and contact with project managers** provide opportunities for the public to contribute information, opinions and perspectives that have potential to influence decisions about a site's investigation and cleanup.

The public is encouraged to contact project staff at any time during the site's investigation and cleanup process with questions, comments, or requests for information.

This CP Plan may be revised due to changes in major issues of public concern identified in Section 3 or in the nature and scope of investigation and cleanup activities. Modifications may include additions to the site contact list and changes in planned citizen participation activities.

#### Technical Assistance Grant

NYSDEC must determine if the site poses a significant threat to public health or the environment. This determination generally is made using information developed during the investigation of the site, as described in Section 5.

If the site is determined to be a significant threat, a qualifying community group may apply for a Technical Assistance Grant (TAG). The purpose of a TAG is to provide funds to the qualifying group to obtain independent technical assistance. This assistance helps the TAG recipient to interpret and understand existing environmental information about the nature and extent of contamination related to the site and the development/implementation of a remedy.

As of the date the declaration (page 2) was signed by the NYSDEC project manager, the significant threat determination for the site had not yet been made.

An eligible community group must certify that its membership represents the interests of the community affected by the site, and that its members' health, economic well-being or enjoyment of the environment may be affected by a release or threatened release of contamination at the site.

For more information about TAGs, go online at <u>http://www.dec.ny.gov/regulations/2590.html</u>

Note: The table identifying the citizen participation activities related to the site's investigation and cleanup program follows on the next page:

Citizen Participation Activities	Timing of CP Activity(ies)				
Application Process:					
<ul><li> Prepare site contact list</li><li> Establish document repository(ies)</li></ul>	At time of preparation of application to participate in the BCP.				
<ul> <li>Publish notice in Environmental Notice Bulletin (ENB) announcing receipt of application and 30-day public comment period</li> <li>Publish above ENB content in local newspaper</li> <li>Mail above ENB content to site contact list</li> <li>Conduct 30-day public comment period</li> </ul>	When NYSDEC determines that BCP application is complete. The 30-day public comment period begins on date of publication of notice in ENB. End date of public comment period is as stated in ENB notice. Therefore, ENB notice, newspaper notice, and notice to the site contact list should be provided to the public at the same time.				
After Execution of Brownfield S	Site Cleanup Agreement (BCA):				
Prepare Citizen Participation (CP) Plan	Before start of Remedial Investigation <b>Note:</b> Applicant must submit CP Plan to NYSDEC for review and approval within 20 days of the effective date of the BCA.				
Before NYSDEC Approves Reme	dial Investigation (RI) Work Plan:				
<ul> <li>Distribute fact sheet to site contact list about proposed RI activities and announcing 30-day public comment period about draft RI Work Plan</li> <li>Conduct 30-day public comment period</li> </ul>	Before NYSDEC approves RI Work Plan. If RI Work Plan is submitted with application, public comment periods will be combined and public notice will include fact sheet. Thirty-day public comment period begins/ends as per dates identified in fact sheet.				
After Applicant Complete	After Applicant Completes Remedial Investigation:				
Distribute fact sheet to site contact list that describes     RI results	Before NYSDEC approves RI Report				
Before NYSDEC Approves	Remedial Work Plan (RWP):				
<ul> <li>Distribute fact sheet to site contact list about draft RWP and announcing 45-day public comment period</li> <li>Public meeting by NYSDEC about proposed RWP (if requested by affected community or at discretion of NYSDEC project manager)</li> <li>Conduct 45-day public comment period</li> </ul>	Before NYSDEC approves RWP. Forty-five day public comment period begins/ends as per dates identified in fact sheet. Public meeting would be held within the 45- day public comment period.				
Before Applicant Starts Cleanup Action:					
Distribute fact sheet to site contact list that describes     upcoming cleanup action	Before the start of cleanup action.				
After Applicant Completes Cleanup Action:					
<ul> <li>Distribute fact sheet to site contact list that announces that cleanup action has been completed and that NYSDEC is reviewing the Final Engineering Report</li> <li>Distribute fact sheet to site contact list approximate</li> </ul>	At the time the cleanup action has been completed. <b>Note:</b> The two fact sheets are combined when possible if there is not a delay in issuing the COC.				
<ul> <li>Distribute fact sheet to site contact list announcing NYSDEC approval of Final Engineering Report and issuance of Certificate of Completion (COC)</li> </ul>					

#### 3. Major Issues of Public Concern

This section of the CP Plan identifies major issues of public concern that relate to the site. Additional major issues of public concern may be identified during the course of the site's investigation and cleanup process.

Based on the pre-Brownfield investigation results (data generated in August / September 2022 for entry into the BCP), contaminated urban fill appears to have been deposited at the site at some point in its history. Past uses of the site (see Section 4) and placement of urban fill has resulted in contamination by metals, as well as byproducts of fuels / combustion.

Based on the nature of site contaminants, direct contact with contaminated soil or inhalation of airborne dust originating from contaminated areas of the site pose the primary exposure risk to the local public. The remedial program will eliminate or reduce the potential for exposure.

#### 4. Site Information

Appendix C contains a map identifying the location of the site.

#### Site Description

Location: 1117 West Fayette Street, Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York Setting: Urban Site size: 0.46 acres

#### Adjacent properties:

- East: Multi-tenant commercial building with residential neighborhoods beyond
- **South:** Shopping plaza (Dollar General, Metro by T-Mobile, Rent-A-Center, City Tru Value Harware, etc.), Fowler House School beyond
- West: Parking lot, vacant former industrial building, baseball field and residential neighborhood beyond
- North: West Fayette Street, Syracuse School District storage building, and railroad tracks beyond

#### History of Site Use, Investigation, and Cleanup

The site was originally developed in approximately 1900.

The following table summarizes the historical occupants / uses of the site:

Years	Occupants		
Prior to 1925	Kemp Manufacturing		
	Burpee MFGO Co		
1925-1930	Brown Lipe Gear Co.		
1949-1959	Spinney B H Co (electrical appliances sales)		
1973-1988	Paramount Cap Co Inc (hat manufacturer)		
	Ward Sales Company, Inc. (toy manufacturing)		
1998	Howard Joan, Pioneer Screw Machines		
	Ward Sales Company, Inc. (printing/painting)		
	Welling Industries		
2000	Concord Recording Studio		
	Pioneer Screw Machine Products		
	Ward Sales Company, Inc.		
	Wood Chuck		
2003	Concord Recording Studio		
	Ward Sales Company, Inc.		
2008	Black Sun Entertainment		
	Concord Recording Studio		
	Pioneer Screw Machine Products		
	Ward Sales Company, Inc.		
2012-	AM Electric, Inc. (electrical contractor)		
Present	Ward Sales Company, Inc. (screen printing and graphic		
	design)		

The August / September 2022 pre-Brownfield investigation identified contaminated urban fill across the Site. The urban fill is impacted by metals, as well as byproducts of fuels / combustion.

No known remedial activities have been completed prior to Brownfield Cleanup Program sampling (also known as the Brownfield Remedial Investigation). The Remedial Investigation commenced in June 2023. No active or passive remediation has taken place on-site.

#### 5. Investigation and Cleanup Process

#### Application

The Applicant has been accepted into New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program as a Volunteer. This means that the Applicant was not responsible for the disposal or discharge of the contaminants or whose ownership or operation of the site took place after the discharge or disposal of contaminants. The Volunteer must fully characterize the nature and extent of contamination onsite, and must conduct a qualitative exposure assessment, a process that characterizes the actual or potential exposures of people, fish and wildlife to contaminants on the site and to contamination that has migrated from the site.

The Applicant in their Application proposes that the site will be will be repurposed into an apartment building and intends to perform a Track 4 cleanup and meet Restricted Residential cleanup criteria.

To achieve this goal, the Applicant will conduct cleanup activities at the site with oversight provided by NYSDEC. The Brownfield Cleanup Agreement sets forth the responsibilities of each party in conducting these activities at the site.

#### Investigation

The Applicant will conduct an investigation of the site officially called a "remedial investigation" (RI). This investigation will be performed with NYSDEC oversight. The Applicant must develop a remedial investigation work plan (RIWP), which is subject to public comment.

The site investigation has several goals:

- 1) Define the nature and extent of contamination in soil, surface water, groundwater and any other parts of the environment that may be affected.
- 2) Identify the source(s) of the contamination.
- 3) Assess the impact of the contamination on public health and the environment.

4) Provide information to support the development of a proposed remedy to address the contamination or the determination that cleanup is not necessary.

The Applicant submits a draft "Remedial Investigation Work Plan" to NYSDEC for review and approval. NYSDEC makes the draft plan available to the public review during a 30day public comment period.

When the investigation is complete, the Applicant will prepare and submit a report that summarizes the results. This report also will recommend whether cleanup action is needed to address site-related contamination. The investigation report is subject to review and approval by NYSDEC.

NYSDEC will use the information in the investigation report to determine if the site poses a significant threat to public health or the environment. If the site is a "significant threat," it must be cleaned up using a remedy selected by NYSDEC from an analysis of alternatives prepared by the Applicant and approved by NYSDEC. If the site does not pose a significant threat, the Applicant may select the remedy from the approved analysis of alternatives.

#### Interim Remedial Measures

An Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) is an action that can be undertaken at a site when a source of contamination or exposure pathway can be effectively addressed before the site investigation and analysis of alternatives are completed. If an IRM is likely to

represent all or a significant part of the final remedy, NYSDEC will require a 30-day public comment period.

#### Remedy Selection

When the investigation of the site has been determined to be complete, the project likely would proceed in one of two directions:

1. The Applicant may recommend in its investigation report that no action is necessary at the site. In this case, NYSDEC would make the investigation report available for public comment for 45 days. NYSDEC then would complete its review, make any necessary revisions, and, if appropriate, approve the investigation report. NYSDEC would then issue a "Certificate of Completion" (described below) to the Applicant.

or

2. The Applicant may recommend in its investigation report that action needs to be taken to address site contamination. After NYSDEC approves the investigation report, the Applicant may then develop a cleanup plan, officially called a "Remedial Work Plan". The Remedial Work Plan describes the Applicant's proposed remedy for addressing contamination related to the site.

When the Applicant submits a draft Remedial Work Plan for approval, NYSDEC would announce the availability of the draft plan for public review during a 45-day public comment period.

#### Cleanup Action

NYSDEC will consider public comments, and revise the draft cleanup plan if necessary, before approving the proposed remedy. The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) must concur with the proposed remedy. After approval, the proposed remedy becomes the selected remedy.

The Applicant may then design and perform the cleanup action to address the site contamination. NYSDEC and NYSDOH oversee the activities. When the Applicant completes cleanup activities, they will prepare a final engineering report that certifies that cleanup requirements have been achieved or will be achieved within a specific time frame. NYSDEC will review the report to be certain that the cleanup is protective of public health and the environment for the intended use of the Site.

#### Certificate of Completion

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 then will issue a Certificate of Completion (COC) to the Applicant. The COC states that cleanup goals

have been achieved, and relieves the Applicant from future liability for Site-related contamination, subject to certain conditions. The Applicant would be eligible to redevelop the Site after it receives a COC.

#### Site Management

Site management is the last phase of the Site cleanup program. This phase begins when the COC is issued. Site management may be conducted by the Applicant under NYSDEC oversight, if contamination will remain in place. Site management incorporates any institutional and engineering controls required to ensure that the remedy implemented for the Site remains protective of public health and the environment. All significant activities are detailed in a Site Management Plan.

An institutional control is a non-physical restriction on use of the Site, such as a deed restriction that would prevent or restrict certain uses of the property. An institutional control may be used when the cleanup action leaves some contamination that makes the Site suitable for some, but not all uses.

An engineering control is a physical barrier or method to manage contamination. Examples include: caps, covers, barriers, fences, and treatment of water supplies.

Site management also may include the operation and maintenance of a component of the remedy, such as a system that is pumping and treating groundwater. Site management continues until NYSDEC determines that it is no longer needed.

### Appendix A Project Contacts and Locations of Reports and Information

#### **Project Contacts**

For information about the site's investigation and cleanup program, the public may contact any of the following project staff:

#### New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC):

#### Andrew LoFaro, P.E.

Project Manager NYSDEC Region 7 Division of Environmental Remediation 5786 Widewaters Parkway Syracuse, NY 13214-1867 (315) 426-7400 Andrew.lofaro@dec.ny.gov Karry McElroy Public Participation Specialist NYSDEC Region 7 5786 Widewaters Parkway Syracuse, NY 13214-1867 (315) 426-7400 Info.r7@dec.ny.gov

#### New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH):

#### Sarita Wagh

Project Manager NYSDOH Empire State Plaza – Corning Tower, RM 1787 Albany, NY 12237 (518) 402-7860 Sarita.wagh@health.ny.gov

#### Locations of Reports and Information

DEC Info Locater Link for Site Information: https://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/haz/details.cfm?ProgNo=C734160

Hazard Branch Library 1620 West Genesee Street Syracuse, NY 13204 Attn: TBD Phone: (315) 435-5326 https://onlib.org NYSDEC Region 7 5786 Widewaters Parkway Syracuse, NY 13214 Attn: Andrew LoFaro, P.E. Phone: (315) 426-7400 Hours: Call for appointment

### **Appendix B Site Contact List**

#### 1. Local Government - City of Syracuse and Onondaga County

Ben Walsh City of Syracuse Mayor 233 East Washington Street Syracuse, New York 13202

Steven Kulick City of Syracuse Planning Commission Chair 233 East Washington Street Syracuse, New York 13202 J. Ryan McMahon, II Onondaga County Executive John H. Mulroy Civic Center, 14th Floor Syracuse, New York 13202

#### 2. Residents, Owners and Occupants of Property and Property Adjacent to Site:

Please note for residential properties, the names, addresses, and email addresses of adjacent property owners and residents are not placed in versions of this document available to the public. Instead they are maintained confidentially in the NYSDEC Project Manager's files.

NestFirst LLC 1117 W Fayette St Syracuse, NY 13204

Vibrant Syracuse Spaces 200-06 S Geddes St Syracuse, NY 13204

Vibrant Syracuse Spaces 196 S Geddes & W Fayette St Syracuse, NY 13204

Tabunichikow & Vladislaw Inc. 208-18 Geddes Street Syracuse, NY 13204

Nik Realty LLC 220-28 S Geddes & W Marcellus St Syracuse, NY 13204 Onondaga County Indstrl 116-18 S Geddes St Syracuse, NY 13204

Onondaga County Indstrl 115 S Geddes St Syracuse, NY 13204

Home Headquarters Inc. 1022-32 W Fayette& S Geddes St Syracuse, NY 13204

Rockwest Developers Inc. 716 Marcellus St Syracuse, NY 13204

Rockwest Center Realty LLC 728 Marcellus St Syracuse, NY 13204

#### Local Newspaper:

Syracuse Post Standard 220 South Warren Street Syracuse, New York 13202 (315) 470-0011 <u>citynews@syracuse.com</u>

Local Television:

WSYR – TV Channel 9 1000 Hiawatha Boulevard Syracuse, New York 13204 (315) 446-9900 <u>AssignmentDesk@LocalSYR.com</u>

WSTM, WSTQ, WTVH – TV Channel 3, 5, CW6 1030 James Street Syracuse, New York 13203 (315) 477-9400 <u>news@cnycentral.com</u>

Spectrum News yournews@charter.com

#### <u>Radio:</u>

WSYR 570 AM Radio 500 Plum Street Syracuse, New York 13204 (315) 472-9797 wsyrnews@iheartmedia.com

WAER 795 Ostrom Syracuse, New York 13244-4610 (315) 443-5242 Jssmit05@syr.edu

#### Websites:

City of Syracuse website: http://www.syracuse.ny.us/Home.aspx

Onondaga County Website <a href="http://www.ongov.net/">http://www.ongov.net/</a>

#### 4. Local Water Supplier:

Onondaga County Water Authority P.O. Box 4949 Syracuse, New York 13221-4949

#### 5. School and Day Care Facilities (1/2 mile radius):

George Fowler High School 227 Magnolia Street Syracuse, NY 13204 Superintendent: Anthony Q. Davis

Westside Academy at Blodgett 312 Oswego Street Syracuse, NY 13204 Superintendent: Anthony Q. Davis

Frazer Pre-K-8 School 741 Park Avenue Syracuse, NY 13204 Superintendent: Anthony Q. Davis Delaware Elementary School 900 S Geddes Street Syracuse, NY 13204 Superintendent: Anthony Q. Davis

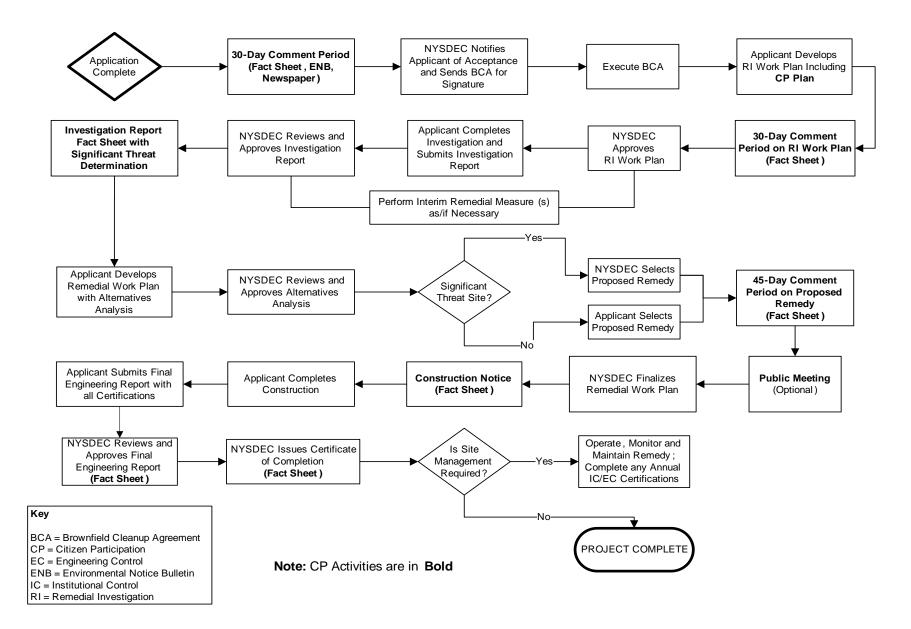
All Saints Elementary School 112 South Wilbur Avenue Syracuse, NY 13204 Principal: Grace Glennon

It Takes a Village Childcare Center 146 Lakeview Avenue Syracuse, NY 13204 Director: Unknown

## Appendix C- Site Location Map



#### **Appendix D– Brownfield Cleanup Program Process**



# Appendix C Community Air Monitoring Plan

### **Community Air Monitoring Plan**

for

Lofts at 1117 1117 West Fayette Street (SBL 099.-03-03.0) Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York

Site No. C734160

June 2023

#### **Community Air Monitoring Plan**

#### Overview

A Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) requires real-time monitoring for volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and particulates (i.e., dust) at the downwind perimeter of each designated work area when certain activities are in progress at contaminated sites. The CAMP is not intended for use in establishing action levels for worker respiratory protection. Rather, its intent is to provide a measure of protection for the downwind community (i.e., off-site receptors including residences and businesses and on-site workers not directly involved with the subject work activities) from potential airborne contaminant releases as a direct result of investigative and remedial work activities. The action levels specified herein require increased monitoring, corrective actions to abate emissions, and/or work shutdown. Additionally, the CAMP helps to confirm that work activities did not spread contamination off-site through the air.

Depending upon the nature of known or potential contaminants at each site, real-time air monitoring for VOCs and/or particulate levels at the perimeter of the exclusion zone or work area will be necessary.

**Continuous monitoring** will be required for all ground intrusive activities and during the demolition of contaminated or potentially contaminated structures. Ground intrusive activities include, but are not limited to, soil / waste excavation and handling, test pitting or trenching, and the installation of soil borings or monitoring wells.

**Periodic monitoring** for VOCs will be required during non-intrusive activities such as the collection of soil and sediment samples or the collection of groundwater samples from existing monitoring wells. "Periodic" monitoring during sample collection might reasonably consist of taking a reading upon arrival at a sample location, monitoring while opening a well cap or overturning soil, monitoring during well baling/purging, and taking a reading prior to leaving a sample location. In some instances, depending upon the proximity of potentially exposed individuals, continuous monitoring may be required during sampling activities. Examples of such situations include groundwater sampling at wells on the curb of a busy urban street, in the midst of a public park, or adjacent to a school or residence.

#### VOC Monitoring, Response Levels and Actions

Volatile organic compounds (VOCs) must be monitored at the downwind perimeter of the immediate work area (i.e., the exclusion zone) on a continuous basis or as otherwise specified. Upwind concentrations should be measured at the start of each workday and periodically thereafter to establish background conditions, particularly if wind direction changes. The monitoring work should be performed using equipment appropriate to measure the types of contaminants known or suspected to be present. The equipment should be calibrated at least daily for the contaminant(s) of concern or for an appropriate surrogate, such as isobutylene. The equipment should be capable of calculating 15minute running average concentrations, which will be compared to the levels specified below.

1. If the ambient air concentration of total organic vapors at the downwind perimeter of the work area or exclusion zone exceeds 5 parts per million (ppm) above background for the 15-minute average, work activities must be temporarily halted and monitoring continued. If the total organic vapor level readily decreases (per instantaneous readings) below 5 ppm over background, work activities can resume with continued monitoring.

2. If total organic vapor levels at the downwind perimeter of the work area or exclusion zone persist at levels in excess of 5 ppm over background but less than 25 ppm, work activities must be halted, the source of vapors identified, corrective actions taken to abate emissions, and monitoring continued. After these steps, work activities can resume provided that the total organic vapor level 200 feet downwind of the exclusion zone or half the distance to the nearest potential receptor or residential/commercial structure, whichever is less - but in no case less than 20 feet, is below 5 ppm over background for the 15-minute average.

3. If the organic vapor level is above 25 ppm at the perimeter of the work area, activities must be shutdown.

4. All 15-minute readings must be recorded and be available for State (DEC and NYSDOH) personnel to review. Instantaneous readings, if any, used for decision purposes should also be recorded.

#### Particulate Monitoring, Response Levels, and Actions

Particulate concentrations should be monitored continuously at the upwind and downwind perimeters of the exclusion zone at temporary particulate monitoring stations. The particulate monitoring should be performed using real-time monitoring equipment capable of measuring particulate matter less than 10 micrometers in size (PM-10) and capable of integrating over a period of 15 minutes (or less) for comparison to the airborne particulate action level. The equipment must be equipped with an audible alarm to indicate exceedance of the action level. In addition, fugitive dust migration should be visually assessed during all work activities.

1. If the downwind PM-10 particulate level is 100 micrograms per cubic meter (mcg/m<sub>3</sub>) greater than background (upwind perimeter) for the 15-minute period or if airborne dust is observed leaving the work area, then dust suppression techniques must be employed. Work may continue with dust suppression techniques provided that downwind PM-10 particulate levels do not exceed 150 mcg/m<sub>3</sub> above the upwind level and provided that no visible dust is migrating from the work area.

2. If, after implementation of dust suppression techniques, downwind PM-10 particulate levels are greater than 150 mcg/m<sup>3</sup> above the upwind level, work must be

stopped and a re-evaluation of activities initiated. Work can resume provided that dust suppression measures and other controls are successful in reducing the downwind PM-10 particulate concentration to within 150 mcg/m<sup>3</sup> of the upwind level and in preventing visible dust migration.

3. All readings must be recorded and be available for State (DEC and NYSDOH) and County Health personnel to review.

#### **Fugitive Dust and Particulate Monitoring**

A program for suppressing fugitive dust and particulate matter monitoring at hazardous waste sites is a responsibility on the remedial party performing the work. These procedures must be incorporated into appropriate intrusive work plans. The following fugitive dust suppression and particulate monitoring program should be employed at sites during construction and other intrusive activities which warrant its use:

1. Reasonable fugitive dust suppression techniques must be employed during all site activities which may generate fugitive dust.

2. Particulate monitoring must be employed during the handling of waste or contaminated soil or when activities on site may generate fugitive dust from exposed waste or contaminated soil. Remedial activities may also include the excavation, grading, or placement of clean fill. These control measures should not be considered necessary for these activities.

3. Particulate monitoring must be performed using real-time particulate monitors and shall monitor particulate matter less than ten microns (PM10) with the following minimum performance standards:

(a) Objects to be measured: Dust, mists or aerosols;

(b) Measurement Ranges: 0.001 to 400 mg/m3 (1 to 400,000 :ug/m3);

(c) Precision (2-sigma) at constant temperature: +/-10 :g/m3 for one second averaging; and +/-1.5 g/m3 for sixty second averaging;

(d) Accuracy: +/-5% of reading +/- precision (Referred to gravimetric calibration with SAE fine test dust (mmd= 2 to 3 :m, g= 2.5, as aerosolized);

(e) Resolution: 0.1% of reading or 1g/m3, whichever is larger;

(f) Particle Size Range of Maximum Response: 0.1-10;

(g) Total Number of Data Points in Memory: 10,000;

(h) Logged Data: Each data point with average concentration, time/date and data point number;

(i) Run Summary: overall average, maximum concentrations, time/date of maximum, total number of logged points, start time/date, total elapsed time (run duration), STEL concentration and time/date occurrence, averaging (logging) period, calibration factor, and tag number;

(j) Alarm Averaging Time (user selectable): real-time (1-60 seconds) or STEL (15 minutes), alarms required;

(k) Operating Time: 48 hours (fully charged NiCd battery); continuously with charger;

(l) Operating Temperature: -10 to  $50_{\circ}$  C (14 to  $122_{\circ}$  F); and

(m) Particulate levels will be monitored upwind and immediately downwind at the working site and integrated over a period not to exceed 15 minutes.

4. In order to ensure the validity of the fugitive dust measurements performed, there must be appropriate Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC). It is the responsibility of the remedial party to adequately supplement QA/QC Plans to include the following critical features: periodic instrument calibration, operator training, daily instrument performance (span) checks, and a record-keeping plan.

5. The action level will be established at 150 ug/m<sup>3</sup> (15 minutes average). While conservative, this short-term interval will provide a real-time assessment of on-site air quality to assure both health and safety. If particulate levels are detected in excess of 150 ug/m3, the upwind background level must be confirmed immediately. If the working site particulate measurement is greater than 100 ug/m<sup>3</sup> above the background level, additional dust suppression techniques must be implemented to reduce the generation of fugitive dust and corrective action taken to protect site personnel and reduce the potential for contaminant migration. Corrective measures may include increasing the level of personal protection for on-site personnel and implementing additional dust suppression techniques (see paragraph 7). Should the action level of 150 ug/m<sup>3</sup> continue to be exceeded work must stop and DER must be notified as provided in the site design or remedial work plan. The notification shall include a description of the control measures implemented to prevent further exceedances.

6. It must be recognized that the generation of dust from waste or contaminated soil that migrates off-site, has the potential for transporting contaminants off-site. There may be situations when dust is being generated and leaving the site and the monitoring equipment does not measure PM-10 at or above the action level. Since this situation has the potential to allow for the migration of contaminants off-site, it is unacceptable. While it is not practical to quantify total suspended particulates on a real-time basis, it is appropriate to rely on visual observation. If dust is observed leaving the working site, additional dust suppression techniques must be employed.

7. The following techniques have been shown to be effective for the controlling of the generation and migration of dust during construction activities:

- (a) Applying water on haul roads;
- (b) Wetting equipment and excavation faces;
- (c) Spraying water on buckets during excavation and dumping;
- (d) Hauling materials in properly tarped or watertight containers;
- (e) Restricting vehicle speeds to 10 mph;
- (f) Covering excavated areas and material after excavation activity ceases; and
- (g) Reducing the excavation size and/or number of excavations.

Experience has shown that the chance of exceeding the 150ug/m3 action level is remote when the above-mentioned techniques are used. When techniques involving water application are used, care must be taken not to use excess water, which can result in unacceptably wet conditions. Using atomizing sprays will prevent overly wet conditions, conserve water, and provide an effective means of suppressing the fugitive dust.

8. The evaluation of weather conditions is necessary for proper fugitive dust control. When extreme wind conditions make dust control ineffective, as a last resort remedial actions may need to be suspended. There may be situations that require fugitive dust suppression and particulate monitoring requirements with action levels more stringent than those provided above. Under some circumstances, the contaminant concentration and/or toxicity may require additional monitoring to protect site personnel and the public. Additional integrated sampling and chemical analysis of the dust may also be in order. This must be evaluated when a health and safety plan is developed and when appropriate suppression and monitoring requirements are established for protection of health and the environment.

9. CAMP action level exceedances and corrective actions will be reported to the Department within one business day.

#### Special Requirements:

In addition or in combination with the above, the following special requirements apply for work within 20 feet of potentially exposed individuals or structures:

When work areas are within 20 feet of potentially exposed populations or occupied structures, the continuous monitoring locations for VOCs and particulates will reflect the nearest potentially exposed individuals and the location of ventilation system intakes for nearby structures. The use of engineering controls such as vapor/dust barriers, temporary negative-pressure enclosures, or special ventilation devices will be considered to prevent exposures related to the work activities and to control dust and odors. Consideration will be given to implementing the planned activities when potentially exposed populations are at a minimum, such as during weekends or evening hours in non-residential settings.

- If total VOC concentrations opposite the walls of occupied structures or next to intake vents exceed 1 ppm, monitoring will occur within the occupied structure(s). Depending upon the nature of contamination, chemical-specific colorimetric tubes of sufficient sensitivity may be necessary for comparing the exposure point concentrations with appropriate pre-determined response levels (response actions should also be pre-determined). Background readings in the occupied spaces must be taken prior to commencement of the planned work. Any unusual background readings should be discussed with NYSDOH prior to commencement of the work.
- If total particulate concentrations opposite the walls of occupied structures or next to intake vents exceed 150 mcg/m<sup>3</sup>, work activities will be suspended until controls are

implemented and are successful in reducing the total particulate concentration to 150  $mcg/m^3$  or less at the monitoring point.

• Depending upon the nature of contamination and remedial activities, other parameters (e.g., explosivity, oxygen, hydrogen sulfide, carbon monoxide) may also need to be monitored. Response levels and actions should be pre-determined, as necessary, for each site.

Unless a self-contained, negative-pressure enclosure with proper emission controls will encompass the work area, all individuals not directly involved with the planned work must be absent from the room in which the work will occur. Monitoring requirements are as stated above under "Special Requirements for Work within 20 Feet of Potentially Exposed Individuals or Structures" except that in this instance "nearby/occupied structures" would be adjacent occupied rooms. Additionally, the location of all exhaust vents in the room and their discharge points, as well as potential vapor pathways (openings, conduits, etc.) relative to adjoining rooms, shall be understood and the monitoring locations established accordingly. In these situations, exhaust fans or other engineering controls will be used to create negative air pressure within the work area during remedial activities. Additionally, the planned work will be implemented during hours (e.g. weekends or evenings) when building occupancy is at a minimum. Appendix D Health and Safety Plan

# Health and Safety Plan for Brownfield Remedial Investigation

# Lofts at 1117 1117 West Fayette Street (SBL 099.-03-03.0) Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York

Site No. C734160

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# SECTION 1 – GENERAL INFORMATION

The Health and Safety Plan (HASP) described in this document will address health and safety considerations for all those activities that personnel employed by C&S Engineers, Inc., may be engaged in during site investigation and remediation work at the BCP Site located at 1117 West Fayette Street in Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York (Site). **Figure 1** shows the approximate location of the Site. This HASP will be implemented by the Health and Safety Officer (HSO) during site work.

Compliance with this HASP is required of all C&S personnel who enter this Site. The content of the HASP may change or undergo revision based upon additional information made available to the health, safety, and training (H&S) committee, monitoring results or changes in the technical scope of work. Any changes proposed must be reviewed by the H&S committee.

#### DISCLAIMER

This document addresses health and safety considerations for all those activities that personnel employed by C&S Engineers, Inc., may be engaged in during site investigation and remediation work. Every contractor is expected to prepare and implement their own site-specific health and safety plan. This document may be used as a general outline to inform the creation of other health and safety plans for this NYSDEC Brownfield site.

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#### **Emergency Phone Numbers**

Emergency Medical Service	911
Police: Onondaga County Sheriff or NYS Police	911
Fire: Syracuse Fire Department	911
Hospital: Upstate Medical University	(315) 464-4276

National Response Center	(800) 424-8802
Poison Control Center	(800) 222-1222
Center for Disease Control	(800) 311-3435
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Site Superintendent	***
Project Field Office Trailer	.***

\*\*\* A site superintendent and field office trailer will not be onsite until remedial actions commence.

Applicable Standards and Regulations.

- 1. AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE (ANSI)
  - *a.* ANSI Z89.1, Personnel Protective Equipment-Protective Headwear for Industrial Workers-Requirements (Latest Revision)
  - *b.* ANSI Z87.1, Occupational and Educational Personal Eye and Face Protection Devices
  - c. ANSI Z9.2, Fundamentals Governing the Design and Operation of Local Exhaust Systems
  - d. ANSI Z88.2-80, Practices for Respiratory Protection
- 2. CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS (CFR)
  - a. 29 CFR Subpart D Walking-Working Surfaces
  - b. 29 CFR 1910 Occupational Safety and Health Standards-All Sections
  - c. 29 CFR 1926 Safety and Health Regulations for Construction-All Sections
  - d. 40 CFR 50.6 National Primary and Secondary Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter
  - e. 40 CFR 61 National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPS)-Subpart A-General Provisions
  - f. 49 CFR 172 Hazardous Material Table, Special Provisions, Hazardous Materials Communications, Emergency Response Information, and Training Requirements
- 3. NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH (NIOSH)
  - a. Publication Number 87-108 Respiratory Decision Logic
  - b. Occupational Safety and Health Guidance Manual for Hazardous Waste Site Activities (NIOSH Publication 85-115)
- 4. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (OSHA)



a. 29 CFR 1910, Subpart I, Appendix B-Non-Mandatory Compliance Guidelines for Hazard Assessment and Personal Protective Equipment Selection.



# SECTION 2 - HEALTH AND SAFETY PERSONNEL

#### 2.0 Health and Safety Personnel Designations

The following information briefly describes the health and safety designations and general responsibilities for this Site.

#### 2.1 Project Manager (PM)

The PM is responsible for the overall project including the implementation of the HASP. Specifically, this includes allocating adequate manpower, equipment, and time resources to conduct Site activities safely.

#### 2.2 Health and Safety Manager

- Has the overall responsibility for coordinating and reporting all health and safety activities and the health and safety of Site Workers.
- Must have completed, at a minimum, the OSHA 30-Hour Construction Safety Training, and either the 24-Hour training course for the Occasional Hazardous Waste Site Worker or the 40-Hour training course for the Hazardous Waste Operations Worker that meets OHSA 29 CFR 1910.
- Must have completed the 8-Hour Site supervisor/manager's course for supervisors and managers having responsibilities for hazardous waste Site operations and management.
- Directs and coordinates health and safety monitoring activities.
- Ensures that field teams utilize proper personal protective equipment (PPE).
- Conducts initial on-site specific training prior to Site Workers commencing work.
- Conducts and documents daily and periodic safety briefings.
- Ensures that field team members comply with this HASP.
- Immediately notifies the Construction Manager (CM) Project Manager and Superintendent of all accident/incidents.
- Determines upgrading or downgrading of PPE based on Site conditions and/or real time monitoring results.
- Ensures that monitoring instruments are calibrated daily or as the manufacturer's instructions determine.
- Reports to the CM Project Manager and Superintendent to provide summaries of field operations and progress.
- Submits and maintains all documentation required in this HASP and any other pertinent health and safety documentation.

#### 2.3 Health and Safety Officer (HSO)

- Must be designated to the Health and Safety Manager by each Subcontractor as a Competent Person having, at a minimum, the OSHA 30-Hour Construction Safety Training
- Must schedule and attend a Pre-Construction Safety Meeting with the Health and Safety Manager to discuss the Subcontractor Safety Requirements and must attend the Weekly Subcontractor Coordination Meeting.



- Responsible for ensuring that their lower tier contractors comply with project safety requirements.
- Must make frequent and regular inspections of their work areas and activities and ensure hazards that are under their control are corrected immediately and all other hazards are reported to the Construction Manager's Project Manager and Health and Safety Manager.
- Must report all work related injuries, regardless of severity, to the Construction Manager's Project Manager and the Health and Safety Manager within 24 hours after they occur.

## 2.4 Emergency Coordinator

- The Emergency Coordinator or his on-site designee will implement the emergency response procedures whenever conditions at the Site warrant such action.
- The Emergency Coordinator or his on-site designee will be responsible for assuring the evacuation, emergency treatment, emergency transport of C&S personnel as necessary, and notification of emergency response units (refer to phone listing in the beginning of this HASP) and the appropriate management staff.

## 2.5 Site Workers

- Report any unsafe or potentially hazardous conditions to the Health and Safety Manager.
- Maintain knowledge of the information, instructions, and emergency response actions contained in the HASP.
- Comply with rules, regulations, and procedures as set forth in this HASP, including any revisions that are instituted.
- Prevent unauthorized personnel from entering work Site.



# **SECTION 3 - PERTINENT SITE INFORMATION**

#### 3.1 Site Location and General History

The BCP Site is located at 1117 West Fayette Street in the City of Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York. The Site consists of City of Syracuse Tax Map ID #099.-03-03.0. The Site includes two brick and mortar buildings, connected by a second story bridge, which account for approximately 29,063 square feet of gross building space. The buildings were constructed in approximately 1900. The Site is approximately 0.46 acres in size, which includes asphalt driveways, a concrete courtyard area (previously a building), and small green areas.

The Site is located in the Syracuse Westside community. The Site is located in the Syracuse Westside community. The site is bounded to the north by West Fayette Street, to the south by a shopping plaza, east by a multi-tenant commercial building, and west by a parking lot.

Figure 1 shows the location of the Site and Figure 2 shows the Project Area and Site Boundaries.

#### Site History and Suspect Recognized Environmental Conditions

The Site has been used for industrial and commercial purposes since it was first developed in approximately 1900. Site operations included car part, machine, toy, and hat manufacturing, as well as printing and painting operations. The following table summarizes the historical and current operations on the Site:

Years	Occupants
Prior to 1925	Kemp Manufacturing
F1101 to 1923	Burpee MFGO Co
1925-1930	Brown Lipe Gear Co.
1949-1959	Spinney B H Co (electrical appliances sales)
1973-1988	Paramount Cap Co Inc (hat manufacturer)
1975-1988	Ward Sales Company, Inc. (toy manufacturing)
	Howard Joan, Pioneer Screw Machines
1998	Ward Sales Company, Inc. (printing/painting)
	Welling Industries
	Concord Recording Studio
2000	Pioneer Screw Machine Products
2000	Ward Sales Company, Inc.
	Wood Chuck
2003	Concord Recording Studio
2003	Ward Sales Company, Inc.
	Black Sun Entertainment
2008	Concord Recording Studio
2008	Pioneer Screw Machine Products
	Ward Sales Company, Inc.
2012-Present	AM Electric, Inc.
2012-1105011	Ward Sales Company, Inc.



In January 2022, NestFirst, LLC (current Site owner) purchased the Site. Current operators at the site consist of AM Electric, Inc. (electrical contractor) and Ward Sales Company, Inc. (screen printing and graphic design).

The soil across the Site generally consists of HFM generally extending to five feet below grade. The HFM was observed across the majority of the exterior of the Site. Consistent with HFM found in cities in the Northeast US, this historic fill contains SVOC and metal contamination, as shown in recent sampling. No discrete contamination layer was observed within the fill, and therefore, the extent of contamination within the fill material is difficult to identify due to its heterogeneous nature. The fill is impacted by metals including barium, copper, lead, mercury, and cyanide; as well as by semi-volatile organic compounds.

There is also a potential for historic fill to be present beneath the building footprint. Impacts related to historic fill beneath the building footprint will be documented as part of the Remedial Investigation.

Impacts to groundwater will be documented as part of the Remedial Investigation.

Because the Site is entirely paved, potential human receptors are limited to persons involved in site investigation or utility work on the Site. During construction, potential human exposures will also include persons working on and adjacent to the Site, as well as persons waking past the Site. These persons could be exposed to the semi-volatile organic compounds and metals in the soil during excavation of the contaminated soil in connection with site redevelopment. Potential exposure routes for these receptors include inhalation of contaminated dust and incidental ingestion of, and/or dermal contact with the contaminated soil. However, the use of appropriate personal protective equipment, dust suppression techniques and personal/air monitoring, and the development and implementation of this Health and Safety Plan would minimize the risk of exposure during this stage of the project.



# SECTION 4 - HAZARD ASSESSMENT AND HAZARD COMMUNICATION

Hazards to workers during site work include typical construction-related hazards such as slip-tripfall, equipment malfunction, faulty electrical grounding, and heat/cold/excessive noise exposure. In addition to those typical construction-related hazards, there is also the potential for chemical exposures associated with environmental conditions. The most likely routes of chemical exposure during site work tasks include skin adsorption and inhalation of airborne dust particles.

It is difficult to draw a correlation between the concentrations of contaminants found in one media and the potential for exposure to these contaminants to site workers. However, their potential presence indicates that the potential for exposure to these compounds exist, and the requirements for protective measures and monitoring of exposure is based on this potential.



# **SECTION 5 – TRAINING**

## 5.1 Site-specific Training

Training will be provided that specifically addresses the activities, procedures, monitoring, and equipment for the Site operations prior to going on site. Training will include familiarization with Site and facility layout, known and potential hazards, and emergency services at the Site, and details all provisions contained within this HASP. This training will also allow Site Workers to clarify anything they do not understand and to reinforce their responsibilities regarding safety and operations for their particular activity.

## 5.2 Safety Briefings

C&S project personnel will be given briefings by the HSO on a daily or as needed basis to further assist Site Workers in conducting their activities safely. Pertinent information will be provided when new operations are to be conducted. Changes in work practices must be implemented due to new information made available, or if Site or environmental conditions change. Briefings will also be given to facilitate conformance with prescribed safety practices. When conformance with these practices is not occurring or if deficiencies are identified during safety audits, the project manager will be notified.



# **SECTION 6 – ZONES**

Four types of Site activity zones are identified for the Brownfield investigation activities, including the Exclusion Zone, Contamination Reduction Zone, Remediation Zone and the Support Zone. Prior to commencement of field work a further definition of where these zones will be set up will be established.

## 6.1 Exclusion Zone

The area where the unexpected condition is discovered would be considered the Exclusion Zone (EZ). All excavation and handling of contaminated materials generated as a result of the discovery of an unexpected condition would take place within the EZ. This zone will be clearly delineated by hay bales, jersey barriers, and/or similar methods. Safety tape may be used as secondary delineation within the EZ. The zone delineation markings may be opened in areas for varying lengths of time to accommodate equipment operation or specific construction activities. The Site Safety Manager/Director may establish more than one EZ where different levels of protection may be employed or where different hazards exist. Site Workers will not be allowed in the EZ without:

- A buddy (co-worker);
- Appropriate PPE in accordance with OSHA regulations;
- Medical authorization; and
- Training certification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.120.

## 6.2 Contamination Reduction Zone

A Contamination Reduction Zone (CRZ) will be established between the EZ and the property limits. The CRZ contains the Contamination Reduction Corridor (CRC) and provides an area for decontamination of Site equipment. The CRZ will be used for general Site entry and egress, in addition to access for heavy equipment and emergency support services. Site Workers will not be allowed in the CRZ without:

- A buddy (co-worker);
- Appropriate PPE in accordance with OSHA regulations;
- Medical authorization; and
- Training certification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.120.

In addition, the CRZ will include a Site Worker Cleaning Area that will include a field wash station for Site Workers, equipment, and PPE to allow Site Workers to wash their hands, arms, neck, and face after exiting areas of grossly contaminated soil or hazardous materials. All Site Workers will be required to pass through the Site Worker Cleaning Area and wash their hands and remove any loose fill and soils from their clothing and boots prior to exiting the CRZ.

## 6.3 Remediation Zone

A Remediated Zone (RZ) will be established in portions of the Site where the remediation has been completed and only general construction work will be performed. Setup of the RZ will consist of implementing several measures designed to reduce the risk of workers' exposure and prevent non-trained workers from entering the non-remediated zone. Non-trained workers will work only



in areas where the potential for exposure has been minimized by removal of all hazardous materials. The remediated zone will then be separated from the non-remediated zone by installing and maintaining temporary plywood or other construction fences along the boundary between the two zones. If potentially impacted material is uncovered in the RZ, all non-trained workers will be removed and the Site Safety Manager/Director will assess the potential risks. If, at any other time, the risk of exposure increases while non-trained workers are present in the RZ, the non-trained workers will be removed. At all times, when non- trained workers are present in the RZ, air monitoring for the presence of VOCs will be conducted in the RZ, as well as at the fence line of the non-remediated zone.

## 6.4 Support Zone

The Support Zone (SZ) will be an uncontaminated area that will be the field support area for the Site operations. The SZ will contain the temporary project trailers and provide for field team communications and staging for emergency response. Appropriate sanitary facilities and safety equipment will be located in this zone. Potentially contaminated equipment or materials are not allowed in this zone. The only exception will be appropriately packaged/decontaminated and labeled samples. Meteorological conditions will be observed and noted from this zone, as well as those factors pertinent to heat and cold.



# **SECTION 7 - PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT**

## 7.1 General

The level of protection to be worn by field personnel will be defined and controlled by the HSO. Depending upon the type and levels of material present or anticipated at the site, varying degrees of protective equipment will be needed. If the possible hazards are unknown, a reasonable level of protection will be taken until sampling and monitoring results can ascertain potential risks. The levels of protection listed below are based on USEPA Guidelines. A list of the appropriate clothing for each level is also provided.

<u>Level A</u> protection must be worn when a reasonable determination has been made that the highest available level of respiratory, skin, eye, and mucous membrane protection is needed. It should be noted that while Level A provides maximum available protection, it does not protect against all possible hazards. Consideration of the heat stress that can arise from wearing Level A protection should also enter into the decision making process. Level A protection includes:

- Open circuit, pressure-demand self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA)
- Totally encapsulated chemical resistant suit
- Gloves, inner (surgical type)
- Gloves, outer, chemical protective
- Boots, chemical protective

<u>Level B</u> protection must be used when the highest level of respiratory protection is needed, but hazardous material exposure to the few unprotected areas of the body (e.g., the back of the neck) is unlikely. Level B protection includes:

- Open circuit, pressure-demand SCBA or pressure airline with escape air bottle
- Chemical protective clothing: Overalls and long sleeved jacket; disposal chemical resistant coveralls; coveralls; one or two piece chemical splash suit with hood
- Gloves, inner (surgical type)
- Gloves, outer, chemical protective
- Boots, chemical protective

<u>Level C</u> must be used when the required level of respiratory protection is known, or reasonably assumed to be, not greater than the level of protection afforded by air purifying respirators; and hazardous materials exposure to the few unprotected areas of the body (e.g.., the back of the neck) is unlikely. Level C protection includes:

- Full or half face air-purifying respirator
- Chemical protective clothing: Overalls and long-sleeve jacket; disposable chemical resistant coveralls; coveralls; one or two piece chemical splash suit
- Gloves, inner (surgical type)
- Gloves, outer, chemical protective
- Boots, chemical protective



<u>Level D</u> is the basic work uniform. It cannot be worn on any site where respiratory or skin hazards exist. Level D protection includes:

- Safety boots/shoes
- Safety glasses
- Hard hat with optional face shield

Note that the use of SCBA and airline equipment is contingent upon the user receiving special training in the proper use and maintenance of such equipment.

#### 7.2 Personal Protective Equipment – Site Specific

Level D with some modification will be required when working in the work zone on this Site. In addition to the basic work uniform specified by Level D protection, Nitrile gloves will be required when contact with soil or ground water is likely. Hearing protection will be worn when power equipment is used to perform subsurface investigation work. An upgrade to a higher level (Level C) of protection may occur if determined necessary by the HSO.



# **SECTION 8 - MONITORING PROCEDURES**

## 8.1 Monitoring During Site Operations

All Site environmental monitoring should be accompanied by periodic meteorological monitoring of appropriate climatic conditions.

#### <u>8.1.1 Drilling Operations – Monitoring Well Installation, Subsurface Borings, and Test Pit</u> <u>Excavations</u>

Monitoring will be performed by the HSO or drilling observer during the conduct of work. A photoionization detector (PID) equipped with a 10.0 eV lamp will be utilized to monitor for the presence of volatile organic vapors within the breathing zone, the borehole, and subsurface samples upon their retrieval. Drill cuttings and excavation spoils will also be monitored by use of the PID. The PID will be field checked for calibration accuracy three times per day (morning, lunch, and end of day. If subsurface conditions warrant, a combustible gas indicator (CGI) with oxygen alarm may also be used to monitor the borehole for the presence of combustible gases. Similar monitoring of fluids produced during well development will also be conducted.

#### 8.1.2 Remedial Measures

During Remedial Measures (RM), monitoring will be performed during excavation and sampling operations when C&S personnel are within the work zone. Although historical information previously obtained at the Site indicates low level of volatile organic vapors and compounds, a photoionization detector (PID) will be used during subsurface activities. If RM is performed, the, the remedial contractor will be required to employ dust control practices during work.

#### 8.2 Action Levels

If readings on the PID exceed 10 ppm for more than fifteen minutes consecutively, then personal protective equipment should be upgraded to Level C. The air purifying respirator used with Level C protective equipment must be equipped with organic vapor cartridges. If readings on the explosive gas meter are within a range of 10%-25% of the LEL then continuous monitoring will be implemented. Readings above 25% of the LEL indicate the potential for an explosive condition. Sources of ignition should be removed and the Site should be evacuated.

#### 8.3 Personal Monitoring Procedures

Personal monitoring shall be performed as a contingency measure in the event that VOC concentrations are consistently above the 10 ppm action level as detected by the PID. If the concentration of VOCs is above this action level, then amendments to the HASP must be made before work can continue at the Site.



# SECTION 9 – COMMUNICATIONS

A phone will be located on Site to be utilized by personnel conducting investigation and remedial efforts. Cell phones will be the primary means of communicating with emergency support services/facilities.



# **SECTION 10 - SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS FOR SITE OPERATIONS**

#### 10.1 General

Standard safe work practices that will be followed include:

- Do not climb over/under drums, or other obstacles.
- Do not enter the work zone alone.
- Practice contamination avoidance, on and off-site.
- Plan activities ahead of time, use caution when conducting concurrently running activities.
- No eating, drinking, chewing or smoking is permitted in work zones.
- Due to the unknown nature of waste placement at the Site, extreme caution should be practiced during excavation activities.
- Apply immediate first aid to any and all cuts, scratches, abrasions, etc.
- Be alert to your own physical condition. Watch your buddy for signs of fatigue, exposure, etc.
- A work/rest regimen will be initiated when ambient temperatures and protective clothing create a potential heat stress situation.
- No work will be conducted without adequate natural light or without appropriate supervision.
- Task safety briefings will be held prior to onset of task work.
- Ignition of flammable liquids within or through improvised heating devices (barrels, etc.) or space heaters is forbidden.
- Entry into areas of spaces where toxic or explosive concentrations of gases or dust may exist without proper equipment is prohibited.
- Any injury or unusual health effect must be reported to the Site health and safety officer.
- Prevent splashing or spilling of potentially contaminated materials.
- Use of contact lenses is prohibited while on site.
- Beards and other facial hair that would impair the effectiveness of respiratory protection are prohibited if respiratory protection is necessary.
- Field crew members should be familiar with the physical characteristics of investigations, including:
  - Wind direction in relation to potential sources
  - Accessibility to co-workers, equipment, and vehicles
  - Communication
  - Hot zones (areas of known or suspected contamination)
  - ♦ Site access
  - Nearest water sources
- The number of personnel and equipment in potentially contaminated areas should be minimized consistent with site operations.



## **10.2 Field Operations**

## 10.2.1 Intrusive Operations

The HSO or designee will be present on-site during all intrusive work, e.g., drilling operations, excavations, trenching, and will provide monitoring to oversee that appropriate levels of protection and safety procedures are utilized by C&S Engineers, Inc., personnel. The use of salamanders or other equipment with an open flame is prohibited and the use of protective clothing, especially hard hats and boots, will be required during drilling or other heavy equipment operations.

#### 10.2.2 Excavations and Excavation Trenching

Guidance relating to safe work practices for C&S employees regarding excavations and excavating/trenching operation is presented in **Appendix A** of this HASP.



# **SECTION 11 - DECONTAMINATION PROCEDURES**

Decontamination involves physically removing contaminants and/or converting them chemically into innocuous substances. Only general guidance can be given on methods and techniques for decontamination. Decontamination procedures are designed to:

- Remove contaminant(s).
- Avoid spreading the contamination from the work zone.
- Avoid exposing unprotected personnel outside of the work zone to contaminants.

Contamination avoidance is the first and best method for preventing spread of contamination from a hazardous site. Each person involved in site operations must practice the basic methods of contamination avoidance listed below. Additional precautions may be required in the HASP.

- Know the limitations of all protective equipment being used.
- Do not enter a contaminated area unless it is necessary to carry out a specific objective.
- When in a contaminated area, avoid touching anything unnecessarily.
- Walk around pools of liquids, discolored areas, or any area that shows evidence of possible contamination.
- Walk upwind of contamination, if possible.
- Do not sit or lean against anything in a contaminated area. If you must kneel (e.g., to take samples), use a plastic ground sheet.
- If at all possible, do not set sampling equipment directly on contaminated areas. Place equipment on a protective cover such as a ground cloth.
- Use the proper tools necessary to safely conduct the work.

Specific methods that may reduce the chance of contamination are:

- Use of remote sampling techniques.
- Opening containers by non-manual means.
- Bagging monitoring instruments.
- Use of drum grapplers.
- Watering down dusty areas.

Equipment which will need to be decontaminated includes tools, monitoring equipment, and personal protective equipment. Items to be decontaminated will be brushed off, rinsed, and dropped into a plastic container supplied for that purpose. They will then be washed with a detergent solution and rinsed with clean water. Monitoring instruments may be wrapped in plastic bags prior to entering the field in order to reduce the potential for contamination. Instrumentation that is contaminated during field operations will be carefully wiped down. Heavy equipment, if utilized for operations where it may be contaminated, will have prescribed decontamination procedures to prevent contaminant materials from potentially leaving the Site. On-site contractors, such as drillers or backhoe operators, will be responsible for decontaminating all construction equipment prior to demobilization.



# SECTION 12 – DISPOSAL PROCEDURES

All discarded materials, waste materials, or other objects shall be handled in such a way as to reduce or eliminate the potential for spreading contamination, creating a sanitary hazard, or causing litter to be left on-site. All potentially contaminated materials, e.g., clothing, gloves, etc., will be bagged or drummed as necessary and segregated for proper disposal. All contaminated waste materials shall be disposed of as required by the provisions included in the contract and consistent with regulatory provisions. All non-contaminated materials shall be collected and bagged for appropriate disposal. Investigation derived waste will be managed consistent with the work plan for this Site and DER-10 Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation dated May 2010.



# **SECTION 13 - EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROCEDURES**

As a result of the hazards at the Site, and the conditions under which operations are conducted, there is the possibility of emergency situations. This section establishes procedures for the implementation of an emergency plan.

## **13.1 Emergency Coordinator**

#### Emergency Coordinator: ...... Anthony DiGiovanni ...... Cell Phone: (315) 956-4899

The Emergency Coordinator or his on-site designee will, in concert with the Volunteer, will implement the emergency response procedures whenever conditions at the Site warrant such action. The Emergency Coordinator or his on-site designee will be responsible for assuring the evacuation, emergency treatment, emergency transport of C&S personnel as necessary, and notification of emergency response units (refer to phone listing in the beginning of this HASP) and the appropriate management staff.

## **13.2 Evacuation**

In the event of an emergency situation, such as fire, explosion, significant release of toxic gases, etc., all personnel will evacuate and assemble in a designated assembly area. The Emergency Coordinator or his on-site designee will have authority to contact outside services as required. Under no circumstances will incoming personnel or visitors be allowed to proceed into the area once the emergency signal has been given. The Emergency Coordinator or his on-site designee must see that access for emergency equipment is provided and that all ignition sources have been shut down once the emergency situation is established. Once the safety of all personnel is established, the Fire Department and other emergency response groups will be notified by telephone of the emergency.

#### **13.3** Potential or Actual Fire or Explosion

Immediately evacuate the Site and notify local fire and police departments, and other appropriate emergency response groups, if LEL values are above 25% in the work zone or if an actual fire or explosion has taken place.

#### **13.4** Environmental Incident (spread or release of contamination)

Control or stop the spread of contamination if possible. Notify the Emergency Coordinator and the Project Manager. Other appropriate response groups will be notified as appropriate.

#### 13.5 Personnel Injury

Emergency first aid shall be applied on-site as necessary. Then, decontaminate (en route if necessary) and transport the individual to nearest medical facility if needed. The ambulance/rescue squad shall be contacted for transport as necessary in an emergency. The directions to the hospital are shown in Section 1 of this HASP and a map is shown in **Attachment A**.



## **13.6 Personnel Exposure**

- *Skin Contact*: Use copious amounts of soap and water. Wash/rinse affected area thoroughly, and then provide appropriate medical attention. Eyes should be thoroughly rinsed with water for at least 15 minutes.
- *Inhalation*: Move to fresh air and/or, if necessary, decontaminate and transport to emergency medical facility.
- *Ingestion*: Decontaminate and transport to emergency medical facility.
- *Puncture Wound/Laceration*: Decontaminate, if possible, and transport to emergency medical facility.

## **13.7** Adverse Weather Conditions

In the event of adverse weather conditions, the HSO will determine if work can continue without sacrificing the health and safety of field workers.

## **13.8 Incident Investigation and Reporting**

In the event of an incident, procedures discussed in the Medical Emergency/Incident Response Protocol, presented in **Appendix B** of this HASP, shall be followed.



# **SECTION 14 - COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

#### 14.1 Community Health and Safety Plan

#### 14.1.1 Community Health and Safety Monitoring

As part of the site work, three general types of efforts are scheduled, including, non-intrusive reconnaissance tasks, sampling or monitoring tasks (monitoring point sampling), and intrusive tasks (test trenching, subsurface borings, monitoring well installation). During completion of general reconnaissance and sampling or monitoring tasks, potential for health and safety risks to off-site landowners or the local community are not anticipated.

During completion of intrusive efforts at or adjacent to the Site, health and safety monitoring efforts will be concentrated on the area or areas in which intrusive efforts are being completed. Since the air pathway is the most available and likely avenue for the release of potential contaminants to the atmosphere at or near the Site, in addition to limiting public or community access to the areas in which intrusive efforts are completed, health and safety measures will primarily consist of monitoring the air pathway for worker exposure.

#### 14.1.2 Community Air Monitoring Plan

Efforts will be taken to complete field work in a manner which will minimize the creation of airborne dust or particulates. Under dry conditions, work areas may be wetted to control dust. During periods of extreme wind, intrusive field work may be halted until such time as the potential for creating airborne dust or particulate matter as a result of investigation activities is limited. Periodic monitoring following the guidelines of the site's Community Air Monitoring Plan (see Appendix C of the RIWP) will be implemented during all non-intrusive Site investigation activities, including surface soil and sediment sampling, and collection of groundwater samples from groundwater monitoring wells.

During completion of Site investigation, a community air monitoring plan meeting the requirements of the site's Community Air Monitoring Plan will be implemented for the duration of intrusive activities. These additional air monitoring activities will include establishment of background conditions, continuous monitoring for volatile organic compounds and/or particulates at the downwind work area (exclusion zone) perimeter, recording of monitoring data, and institution and documentation of Response Levels and appropriate actions in accordance with NYSDOH guidance.



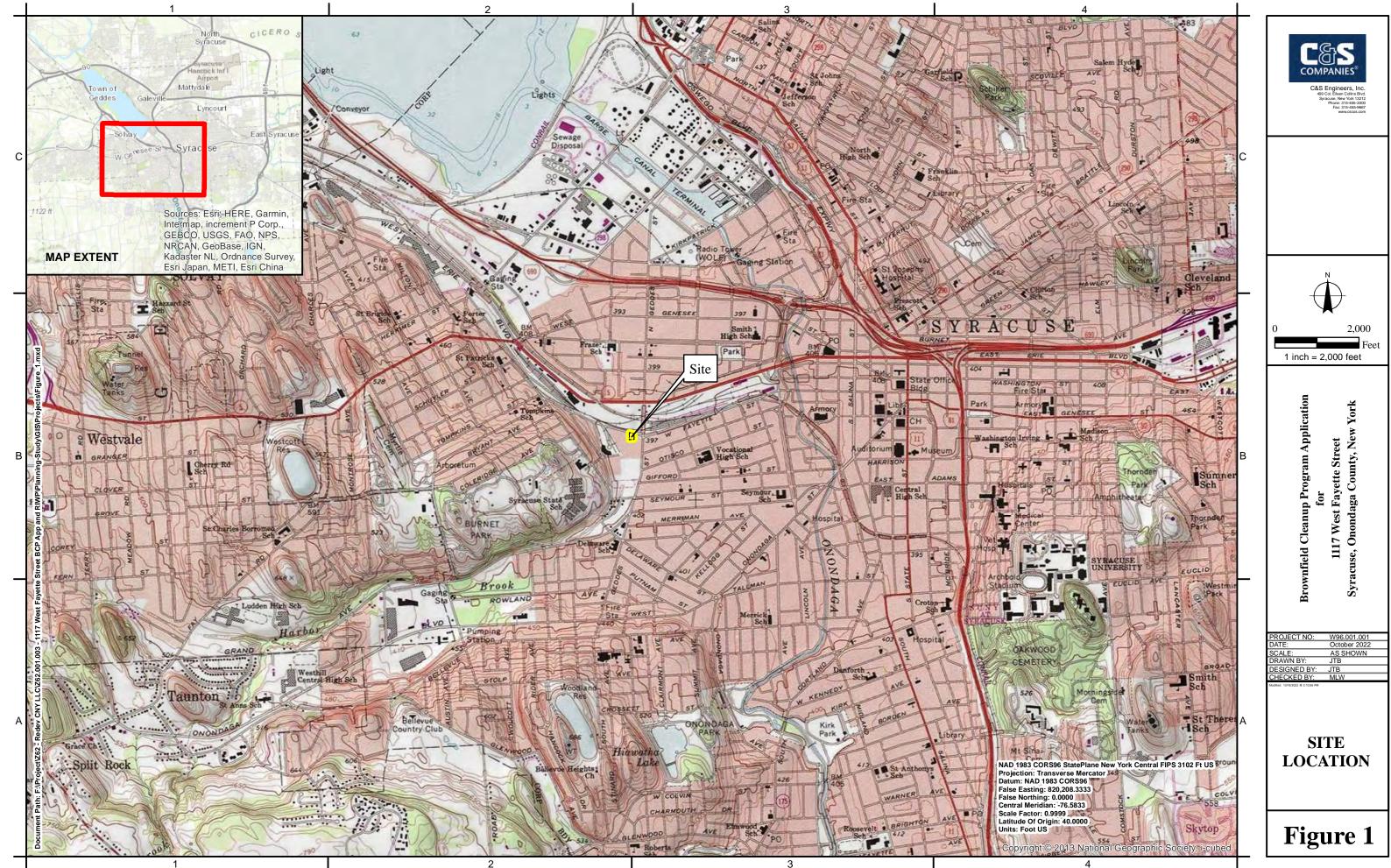
# **SECTION 15 - AUTHORIZATIONS**

Personnel authorized to enter the Site while operations are being conducted must be approved by the HSO. Authorization will involve completion of appropriate training courses, medical examination requirements, and review and sign-off of this HASP. No C&S personnel should enter the work zone alone. Each site visitor should check in with the HSO or Project Manager prior to entering the work zones.

# FIGURE 1

SITE LOCATION MAP





# FIGURE 2

SITE MAP

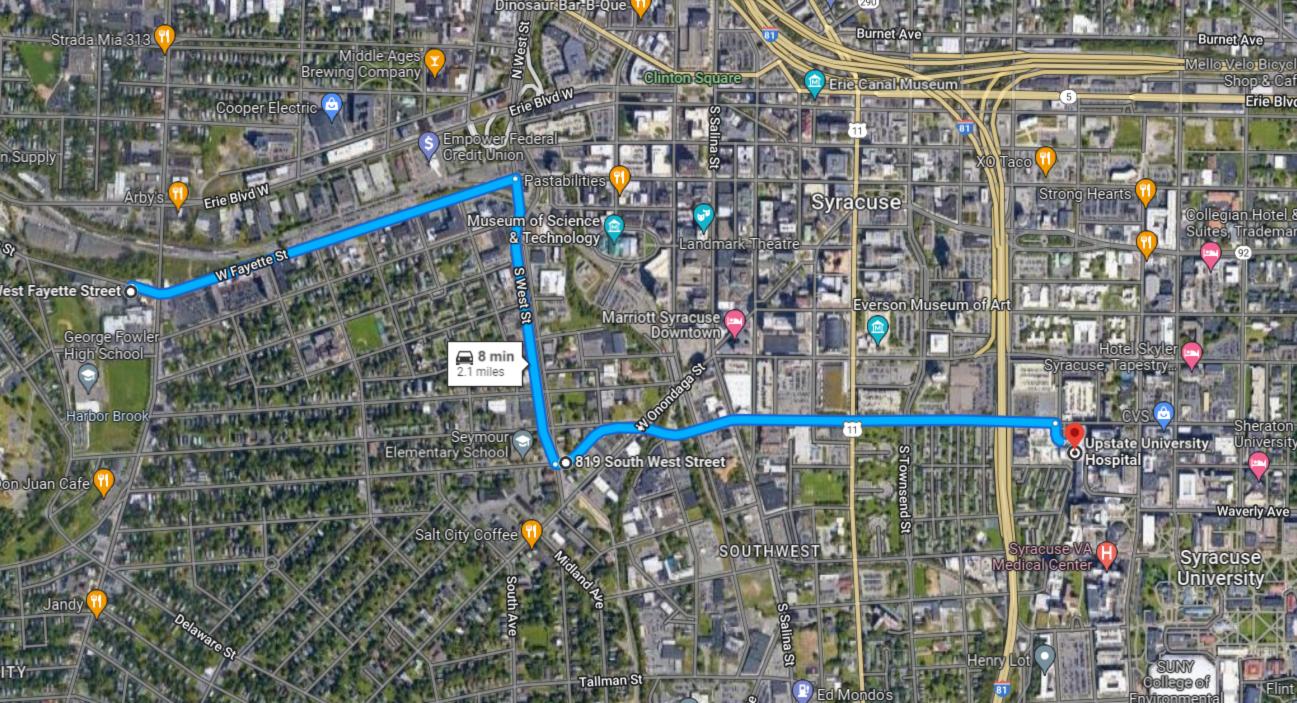




# ATTACHMENT A

MAP TO HOSPITAL





# **APPENDIX A**

EXCAVATION / TRENCHING GUIDELINE



# C&S ENGINEERS, INC. HEALTH & SAFETY GUIDELINE #14 EXCAVATION/TRENCHING OPERATIONS

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# **C&S ENGINEERS, INC. EXCAVATION/TRENCHING OPERATIONS**

## **1.0 PURPOSE**

To establish safe operating procedures for excavation/trenching operations at C&S work sites.

## **2.0 SCOPE**

Applies to all C&S activity where excavation or trenching operations take place.

## **3.0 DEFINITIONS**

Excavation — Any manmade cavity or depression in the earth's surface, including its sides, walls, or faces, formed by earth removal and producing unsupported earth conditions by reasons of the excavation.

**Trench** — A narrow excavation made below the surface of the ground. In general, the depth is greater than the width, but the width of a trench is not greater than 15 feet.

#### 4.0 **Responsibility Employees**

**Employees** — All employees must understand and follow the procedures outlined in this guideline during all excavation and trenching operations.

Health and Safety Coordinator/Officer (HSC/HSO) - The HSC/HSO is responsible for ensuring that these procedures are implemented at each work site.

## **5.0 GUIDELINES**

#### 5.1 Hazards Associated With Excavation/Trenching

The principal hazards associated with excavation/trenching are:

- Suffocation, crushing, or other injury from falling material.
- Damage/failure of installed underground services and consequent hazards.
- Tripping, slipping, or falling.
- Possibility of explosive, flammable, toxic, or oxygen-deficient atmosphere in excavation.

## **5.2 Procedures Prior to Excavation**

- 1. Underground Utilities
  - Determine the presence and location of any underground chemical or utility pipes, electrical, telephone, or instrument wire or cables.
  - If the local DigSafely NY is unable to locate private/domestic or plant utilities, then an independent utility locating service must be contacted and mobilized to the site.
  - Identify the location of underground services by stakes, markers or paint.
  - Arrange to de-energize or isolate underground services during excavation. If not possible, or if location is not definite, method of excavation shall be established to minimize hazards by such means as:
    - a) Use of hand tools in area of underground services.
    - b) Insulating personnel and equipment from possible electrical contact.
    - c) Use of tools or equipment that will reduce possibility of damage to underground services and hazard to worker.
- 2. Identify Excavation Area Areas to be excavated shall be identified and segregated by means of barricades, ropes, and/or signs to prevent access of unauthorized personnel and equipment. Suitable means shall be provided to make barriers visible at all times.
- 3. Surface Water Provide means of diverting surface water from excavation.
- 4. Shoring/Bracing Shoring or bracing that may be required for installed equipment adjacent to the excavation shall be designed by a competent person.
- 5. Structural Ramps Structural ramps that are used solely by employees as a means of access to or egress from the excavation shall be designed by a competent person.

#### **5.3 Procedures For Doing The Excavation**

- 1. **Determine the need for shoring/sloping** the type of soil will establish the need for shoring, slope of the excavation, support systems, and equipment to be used. The soil condition may change as the excavation proceeds. Appendices A, B, C, D, E, and F of the OSHA Excavation Regulation, 29 CFR 1926 Subpart P, are to be used in defining shoring and sloping requirements.
- 2. **Mobile equipment** For safe use of mobile industrial equipment in or near the excavation, the load carrying capacity of soil shall be established and suitable protection against collapse of soil provided by the use of mats, barricades, restricting the location of equipment, or shoring.
- 3. Excavated material (spoil) shall be stored at least two (2) feet from the edge of the excavation.
- 4. All trench (vertical sides) excavations greater than five (5) feet deep shall be shored.

- 5. The excavation shall be inspected daily for changes in conditions, including the presence of ground water, change in soil condition, or effects of weather such as rain or freeze. A safe means of continuing the work shall be established based on changes in condition. Typically test trench excavations made as part of an environmental subsurface nvestigation are made and backfilled the same day.
- 6. Appropriate monitoring for gas, toxic, or flammable materials will be conducted to establish the need for respiratory equipment, ventilation, or other measures required to continue the excavation safely.
- 7. Adequate means of dewatering the excavation shall be provided by the contractor as required.
- 8. A signal person shall be provided to direct powered equipment if working in the excavation with other personnel.
- 9. A signal person shall be provided when backfilling excavations to direct powered equipment working in the excavation with other personnel.
- 10. Warning vests will be worn when employees are exposed to public vehicular traffic.
- 11. Employees shall stand away from vehicles being loaded or unloaded, and shall not be permitted underneath loads handled by lifting or dragging equipment.
- 12. Emergency rescue equipment, such as breathing apparatus, a safety harness and line, or a basket stretcher, shall be readily available if hazardous atmospheric conditions exist or may be expected to develop. The specifics will be determined by the HSC/HSM.
- 13. Walkways or bridges with standard guardrail shall be provided where employees or equipment are required or permitted to cross over excavations.

#### 5.4 Entering the Excavation

No C&S Engineers, Inc., employee shall enter an excavation which fails to meet the requirements of Section 5.3 of this guideline.

#### 6.0 **REFERENCES**

29 CFR 1926, Subpart P - Excavations

#### 7.0 ATTACHMENTS

29 CFR 1926 Subpart P - Appendices A, B, F



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(a) Scope and application - (1) Scope. This appendix describes a method of classifying soil and rock deposits based on site and environmental conditions, and on the structure and composition of the earth deposits. The appendix contains definitions, sets for requirements, and describes acceptable visual and manual tests for use in classifying soils.

(2) Application. This appendix applies when a sloping or benching system is designed in accordance with the requirements set for 1926.652(b)(2) as a method of protection for employees from cave-ins. This appendix also applies when timber shoring for excav designed as a method of protection from cave-ins in accordance with appendix C to subpart P of part 1926, and when aluminum shoring is designed in accordance with appendix D. This Appendix also applies if other protective systems are designed and selec from data prepared in accordance with the requirements set forth in 1926.652(c), and the use of the data is predicated on the us classification system set forth in this appendix.

(b) Definitions. The definitions and examples given below are based on, in whole or in part, the following; American Society for T Materials (ASTM) Standards D653-85 and D2488; The Unified Soils Classification System; The U.S. Department of Agriculture (US Textural Classification Scheme; and The National Bureau of Standards Report BSS-121.

"Cemented soil" means a soil in which the particles are held together by a chemical agent, such as calcium carbonate, such that a hand-size sample cannot be crushed into powder or individual soil particles by finger pressure.

"Cohesive soil" means clay (fine grained soil), or soil with a high clay content, which has cohesive strength. Cohesive soil does not crumble, can be excavated with vertical sideslopes, and is plastic when moist. Cohesive soil is hard to break up when dry, and exhibits significant cohesion when submerged. Cohesive soils include clayey silt, sandy clay, silty clay, clay and organic clay.

"Dry soil" means soil that does not exhibit visible signs of moisture content.

"Fissured" means a soil material that has a tendency to break along definite planes of fracture with little resistance, or a material that exhibits open cracks, such as tension cracks, in an exposed surface. "Granular soil" means gravel, sand, or silt (coarse grained soil) with little or no clay content. Granular soil has no cohesive strength. Some moist granular soils exhibit apparent cohesion. Granular soil cannot be molded when moist and crumbles easily when dry.

"Layered system" means two or more distinctly different soil or rock types arranged in layers. Micaceous seams or weakened planes in rock or shale are considered layered.

"Moist soil" means a condition in which a soil looks and feels damp. Moist cohesive soil can easily be shaped into a ball and rolled into small diameter threads before crumbling. Moist granular soil that contains some cohesive material will exhibit signs of cohesion between particles. "Plastic" means a property of a soil which allows the soil to be

deformed or molded without cracking, or appreciable volume change. "Saturated soil" means a soil in which the voids are filled with water. Saturation does not require flow. Saturation, or near saturation, is necessary for the proper use of instruments such as a pocket penetrometer or sheer vane. "Soil classification system" means, for the purpose of this subpart, a method of categorizing soil and rock deposits in a hierarchy of Stable Rock, Type A, Type B, and Type C, in decreasing order of stability. The categories are determined based on an analysis of the properties and performance characteristics of the deposits and the characteristics of the deposits and the environmental conditions of exposure. "Stable rock" means natural solid mineral matter that can be excavated with vertical sides and remain intact while exposed. "Submerged soil" means soil which is underwater or is free seeping. "Type A" means cohesive soils with an unconfined, compressive strength of 1.5 ton per square foot (tsf) (144 kPa) or greater. Examples of cohesive soils are: clay, silty clay, sandy clay, clay loam and, in some cases, silty clay loam and sandy clay loam. Cemented soils such as caliche and hardpan are also considered Type A. However, no soil is Type A if: (i) The soil is fissured; or (ii) The soil is subject to vibration from heavy traffic, pile driving, or similar effects; or (iii) The soil has been previously disturbed; or (iv) The soil is part of a sloped, layered system where the layers dip into the excavation on a slope of four horizontal to one vertical (4H:1V) or greater; or (v) The material is subject to other factors that would require it to be classified as a less stable material. "Type B" means: (i) Cohesive soil with an unconfined compressive strength greater than 0.5 tsf (48 kPa) but less than 1.5 tsf (144 kPa); or (ii) Granular cohesionless soils including: angular gravel (similar to crushed rock), silt, silt loam, sandy loam and, in some cases, silty clay loam and sandy clay loam. (iii) Previously disturbed soils except those which would otherwise be classed as Type C soil. (iv) Soil that meets the unconfined compressive strength or cementation requirements for Type A, but is fissured or subject to vibration; or (v) Dry rock that is not stable; or (vi) Material that is part of a sloped, layered system where the layers dip into the excavation on a slope less steep than four horizontal to one vertical (4H:1V), but only if the material would otherwise be classified as Type B. "Type C" means: (i) Cohesive soil with an unconfined compressive strength of 0.5 tsf (48 kPa) or less; or (ii) Granular soils including gravel, sand, and loamy sand; or (iii) Submerged soil or soil from which water is freely seeping; or (iv) Submerged rock that is not stable, or (v) Material in a sloped, layered system where the layers dip into the excavation or a slope of four horizontal to one vertical (4H:1V) or steeper. "Unconfined compressive strength" means the load per unit area at which a soil will fail in compression. It can be determined by laboratory testing, or estimated in the field using a pocket penetrometer, by thumb penetration tests, and other methods. "Wet soil" means soil that contains significantly more moisture than moist soil, but in such a range of values that cohesive material will slump or begin to flow when vibrated. Granular material that would exhibit cohesive properties when moist will lose those cohesive properties when wet.

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(c) Requirements - (1) Classification of soil and rock deposits. Each soil and rock deposit shall be classified by a competent perso Rock, Type A, Type B, or Type C in accordance with the definitions set forth in paragraph (b) of this appendix.

(2) Basis of classification. The classification of the deposits shall be made based on the results of at least one visual and at least ( analysis. Such analyses shall be conducted by a competent person using tests described in paragraph (d) below, or in other recog methods of soil classification and testing such as those adopted by the American Society for Testing Materials, or the U.S. Depart Agriculture textural classification system.

(3) Visual and manual analyses. The visual and manual analyses, such as those noted as being acceptable in paragraph (d) of thi shall be designed and conducted to provide sufficient quantitative and qualitative information as may be necessary to identify prc properties, factors, and conditions affecting the classification of the deposits.

(4) Layered systems. In a layered system, the system shall be classified in accordance with its weakest layer. However, each laye classified individually where a more stable layer lies under a less stable layer.

(5) Reclassification. If, after classifying a deposit, the properties, factors, or conditions affecting its classification change in any w changes shall be evaluated by a competent person. The deposit shall be reclassified as necessary to reflect the changed circumst

(d) Acceptable visual and manual tests. - (1) Visual tests. Visual analysis is conducted to determine qualitative information regarc excavation site in general, the soil adjacent to the excavation, the soil forming the sides of the open excavation, and the soil take samples from excavated material.

(i) Observe samples of soil that are excavated and soil in the sides of the excavation. Estimate the range of particle sizes and the amounts of the particle sizes. Soil that is primarily composed of fine-grained material material is cohesive material. Soil composed of coarse-grained sand or gravel is granular material.

(ii) Observe soil as it is excavated. Soil that remains in clumps when excavated is cohesive. Soil that breaks up easily and does no clumps is granular.

(iii) Observe the side of the opened excavation and the surface area adjacent to the excavation. Crack-like openings such as tens could indicate fissured material. If chunks of soil spall off a vertical side, the soil could be fissured. Small spalls are evidence of m ground and are indications of potentially hazardous situations.

(iv) Observe the area adjacent to the excavation and the excavation itself for evidence of existing utility and other underground s and to identify previously disturbed soil.

(v) Observed the opened side of the excavation to identify layered systems. Examine layered systems to identify if the layers slop the excavation. Estimate the degree of slope of the layers.

(vi) Observe the area adjacent to the excavation and the sides of the opened excavation for evidence of surface water, water see the sides of the excavation, or the location of the level of the water table.

(vii) Observe the area adjacent to the excavation and the area within the excavation for sources of vibration that may affect the : the excavation face.

(2) Manual tests. Manual analysis of soil samples is conducted to determine quantitative as well as qualitative properties of soil a provide more information in order to classify soil properly.

(i) Plasticity. Mold a moist or wet sample of soil into a ball and attempt to roll it into threads as thin as 1/8-inch in diameter. Cohe material can be successfully rolled into threads without crumbling. For example, if at least a two inch (50 mm) length of 1/8-inch be held on one end without tearing, the soil is cohesive.

(ii) Dry strength. If the soil is dry and crumbles on its own or with moderate pressure into individual grains or fine powder, it is g combination of gravel, sand, or silt). If the soil is dry and falls into clumps which break up into smaller clumps, but the smaller clu only be broken up with difficulty, it may be clay in any combination with gravel, sand or silt. If the dry soil breaks into clumps who break up into small clumps and which can only be broken with difficulty, and there is no visual indication the soil is fissured, the s considered unfissured.

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(iii) Thumb penetration. The thumb penetration test can be used to estimate the unconfined compressive strength of cohesive so test is based on the thumb penetration test described in American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standard designatior "Standard Recommended Practice for Description of Soils (Visual - Manual Procedure).") Type A soils with an unconfined compressive strength of 1.5 tsf can be readily indented by the thumb; however, they can be penetrated by the thumb, and can be molde finger pressure. This test should be conducted on an undisturbed soil sample, such as a large clump of spoil, as soon as practicat excavation to keep to a minimum the effects of exposure to drying influences. If the excavation is later exposed to wetting influe flooding), the classification of the soil must be changed accordingly.

(iv) Other strength tests. Estimates of unconfined compressive strength of soils can also be obtained by use of a pocket penetron using a hand-operated shearvane.

(v) Drying test. The basic purpose of the drying test is to differentiate between cohesive material with fissures, unfissured cohesi and granular material. The procedure for the drying test involves drying a sample of soil that is approximately one inch thick (2.5 six inches (15.24 cm) in diameter until it is thoroughly dry:

(A) If the sample develops cracks as it dries, significant fissures are indicated.

(B) Samples that dry without cracking are to be broken by hand. If considerable force is necessary to break a sample, the soil ha cohesive material content. The soil can be classified as an unfissured cohesive material and the unconfined compressive strength determined.

(C) If a sample breaks easily by hand, it is either a fissured cohesive material or a granular material. To distinguish between the 1 pulverize the dried clumps of the sample by hand or by stepping on them. If the clumps do not pulverize easily, the material is cc fissures. If they pulverize easily into very small fragments, the material is granular.

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working in excavations from cave-ins	ppendix contains specifications for sloping and benc s. The requirements of this appendix apply when the th the requirements set forth in § 1926.652(b)(2).	
(b) <b>Definitions</b> .		
Actual slope means the slope to wh	hich an excavation face is excavated.	
the development of fissures in the fa material from the face or the bulging	condition where a cave-in is imminent or is likely to ace of or adjacent to an open excavation; the subsid g or heaving of material from the bottom of an exca amounts of material such as pebbles or little clumps wn into the excavation.	dence of the edge of an excavation; the slu vation; the spalling of material from the fa
	the steepest incline of an excavation face that is a pressed as the ratio of horizontal distance to vertic	
Short term exposure means a per	iod of time less than or equal to 24 hours that an ex	xcavation is open.
(c) <b>Requirements</b> (1) <b>Soil class</b> 1926.	<b>ification</b> . Soil and rock deposits shall be classified i	in accordance with appendix A to subpart I
(2) <i>Maximum allowable slope</i> . Th appendix.	ne maximum allowable slope for a soil or rock depos	sit shall be determined from Table B-1 of tl
(3) <b>Actual slope</b> . (i) The actual slop	e shall not be steeper than the maximum allowable	e slope.
	ep than the maximum allowable slope, when there a slope which is at least ½ horizontal to one vertical (	
determine the degree to which the ad	ed material or equipment, operating equipment, or t ctual slope must be reduced below the maximum al cent structures shall be evaluated in accordance wit	llowable slope, and shall assure that such i
(4) <i>Configurations</i> . Configurations	of sloping and benching systems shall be in accorda	ance with Figure B-1.

#### TABLE B-1 MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE SLOPES

SOIL OR ROCK TYPE	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE SLOPES (H:V)(1) FOR EXCAVATIONS LESS THAN 20 FEET DEEP(3)
STABLE ROCK TYPE A (2) TYPE B TYPE C	VERTICAL (90°) 3/4:1 (53°) 1:1 (45°) 1 ½:1 (34°)

Footnote(1) Numbers shown in parentheses next to maximum allowable slopes are angles expressed in degrees from the horizontal. Angle rounded off.

Footnote(2) A short-term maximum allowable slope of 1/2H:1V (63°) is allowed in excavations in Type A soil that are 12 feed (3.67 m) or I depth. Short-term maximum allowable slopes for excavations greater than 12 feet (3.67 m) in depth shall be 3/4H:1V (53°).

Footnote(3) Sloping or benching for excavations greater than 20 feet deep shall be designed by a registered professional engineer.

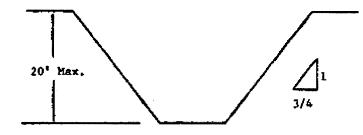
#### Figure B-1

#### **Slope Configurations**

(All slopes stated below are in the horizontal to vertical ratio)

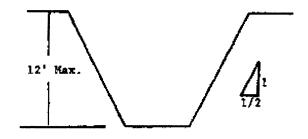
#### B-1.1 Excavations made in Type A soil.

1. All simple slope excavation 20 feet or less in depth shall have a maximum allowable slope of <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>:1.



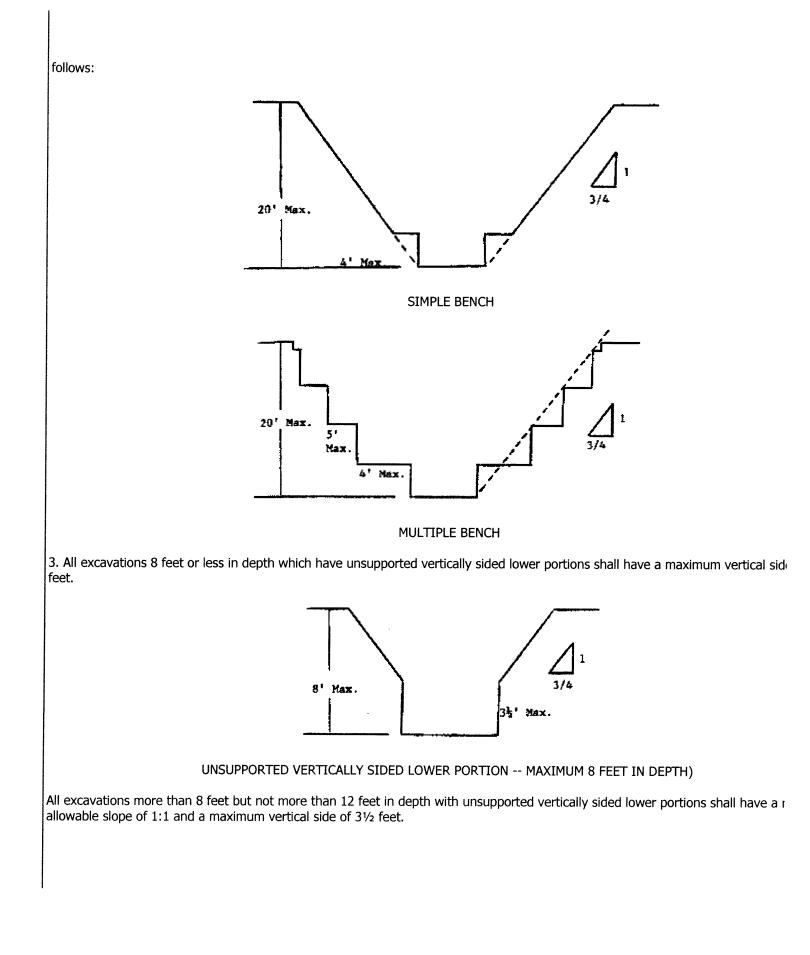
SIMPLE SLOPE -- GENERAL

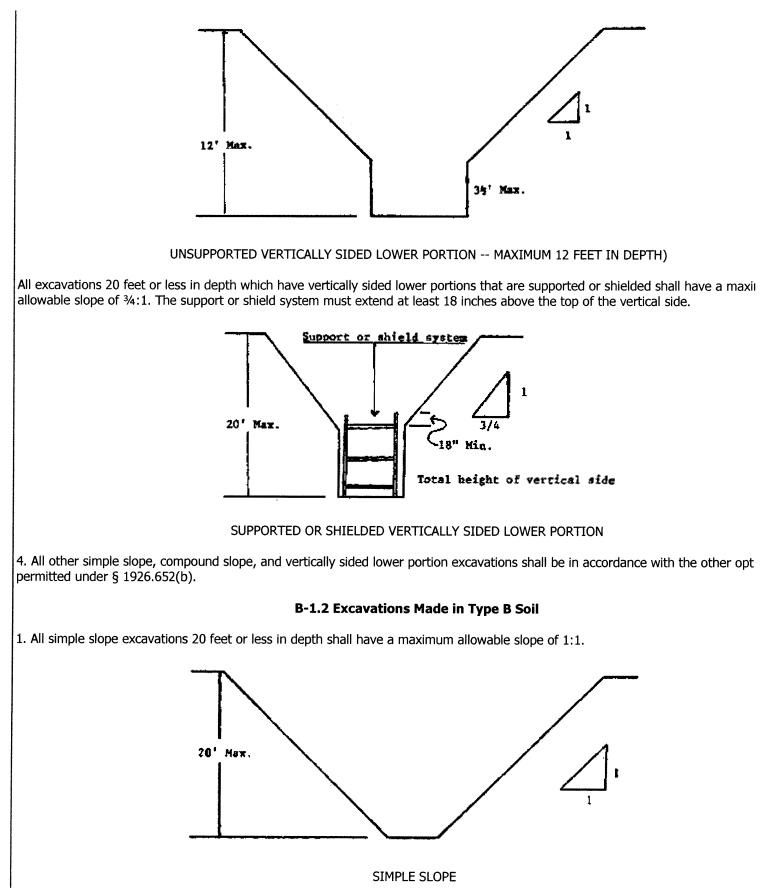
Exception: Simple slope excavations which are open 24 hours or less (short term) and which are 12 feet or less in depth shall have maximum allowable slope of 1/2:1.



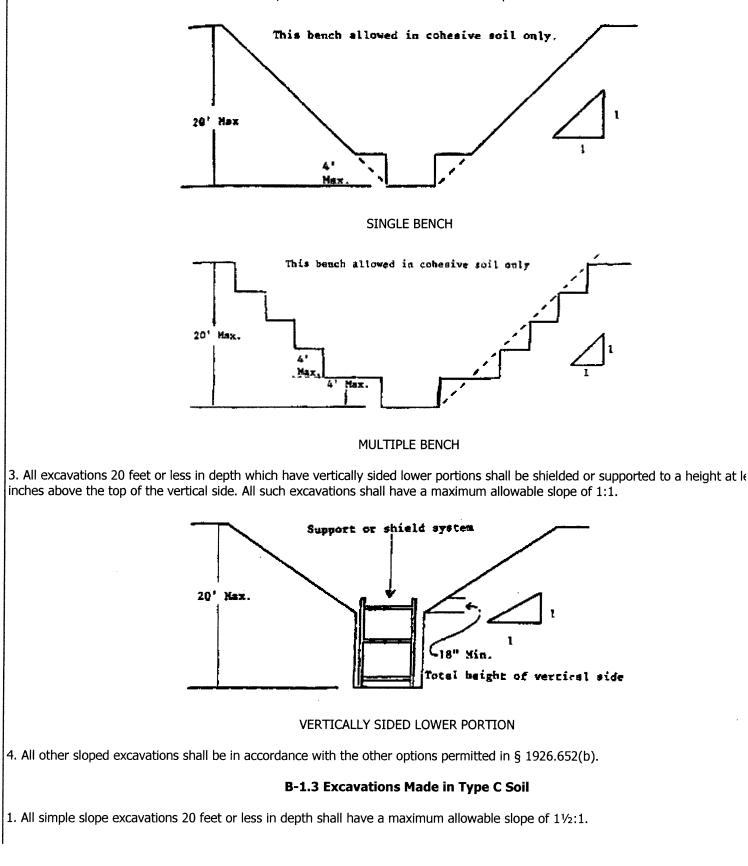
SIMPLE SLOPE -- SHORT TERM

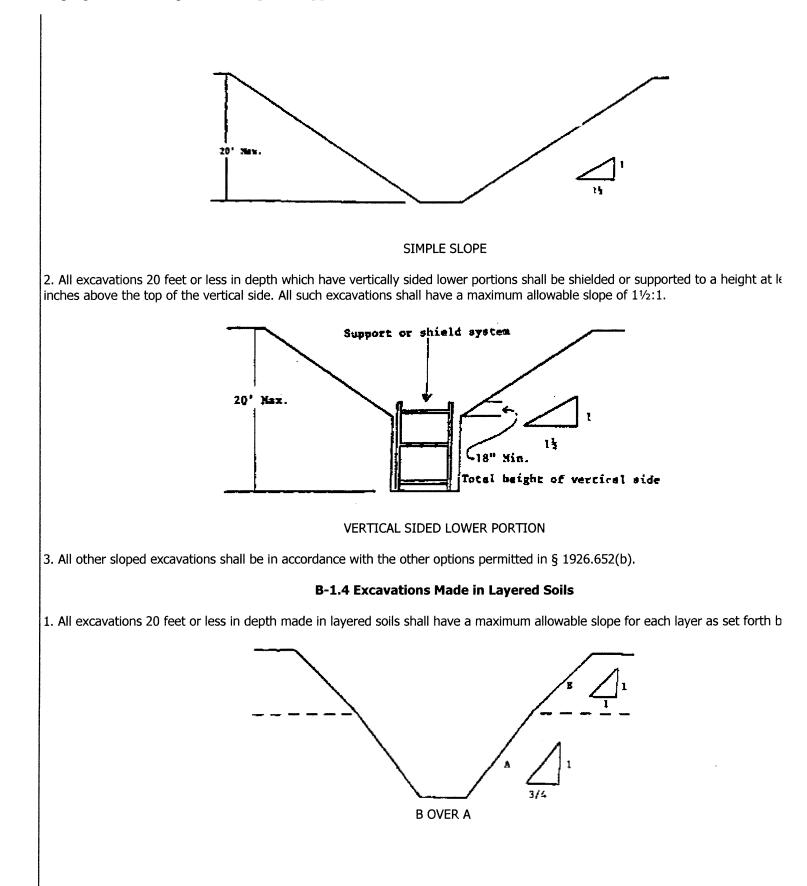
2. All benched excavations 20 feet or less in depth shall have a maximum allowable slope of 3/4 to 1 and maximum bench dimens

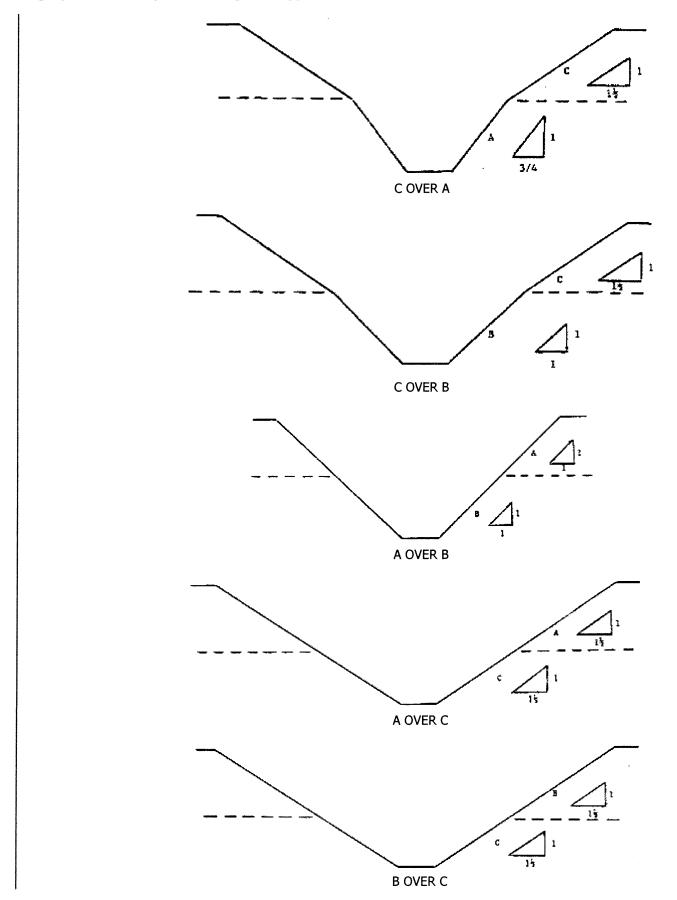




2. All benched excavations 20 feet or less in depth shall have a maximum allowable slope of 1:1 and maximum bench dimensions







2. All other sloped excavations shall be in accordance with the other options permitted in § 1926.652(b).

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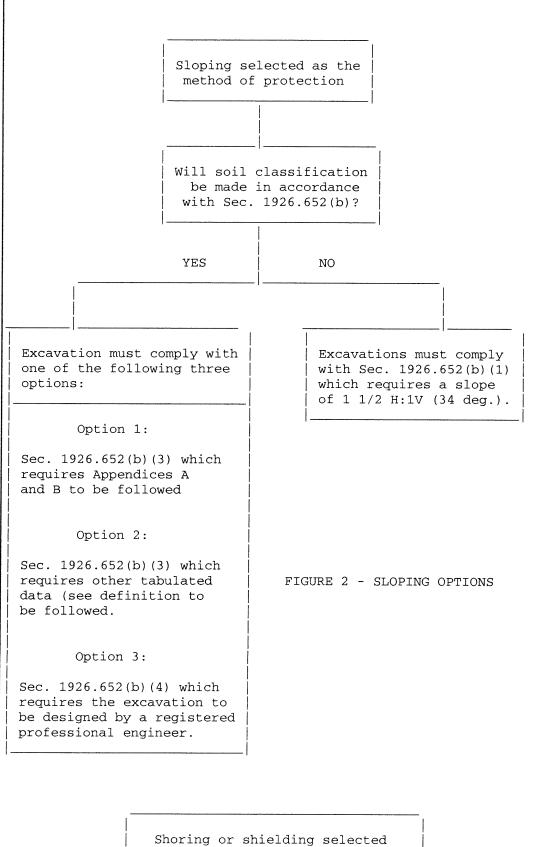
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Is there potential for cave-in?	Is the excavation more than 5 feet in depth? NO YES NO YES Is the excavation entirely in stable rock?	
NO	YES       Excavation may be made       with vertical sides.	
YES	NO Excavation must be sloped, shored, or shielded.	

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	Soil Classification is required when shoring or shielding is used. The excavation must comply with one of the following four options:	
	Option 1	
	Sec. 1926.652(c)(1) which requires Appendices A and C to be followed (e.g. timber shoring).	
	Option 2	
	Sec. 1926.652(c)(2) which requires manufacturers data to be followed (e.g. hydraulic shoring, trench jacks, air shores, shields).	
	Option 3	
	Sec. 1926.652(c)(3) which requires tabulated data (see definition) to be followed (e.g. any system as per the tabulated data).	
	Option 4	
	Sec. 1926.652(c)(4) which requires the excavation to be designed by a registered professional engineer (e.g. any designed system).	
	FIGURE 3 - SHORING AND SHIELDING OPTIONS	
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# **APPENDIX B**

GUIDANCE ON INCIDENT INVESTIGATION

AND REPORTING



## MEDICAL EMERGENCY / INCIDENT RESPONSE PROTOCOL

## 1.0 PURPOSE

From time to time employees of C&S Engineers, Inc. will sustain an injury while working on the job. While every effort is being made to prevent this, in the event of an injury or illness on the job, the following procedures will be implemented. This format may also be utilized in the event of a property damage incident.

## 2.0 SCOPE

This guideline applies to all C&S Engineers, Inc. job sites and employees.

## 3.0 GUIDELINES

Upon notification or awareness of an incident/accident with injuries or illness the Emergency Coordinator or his On-Site Designee will:

- 1. Ensure that the injured employee is receiving immediate first aid and medical care.
- 2. Notify Emergency Services (911) if injuries are severe.
- 3. Stabilize the work area; ensure that no one else can be injured.
- 4. Notify the Project Manager at the earliest possible convenience.
- 5. Notify the Owner/Client at the earliest possible convenience.

To assist the Health and Safety Manager in the root cause analysis, the Emergency Coordinator or his On-Site Designee will also make an attempt to:

- 1. Obtain the names and phone numbers of witnesses.
- 2. Preserve the accident scene if possible for analysis.

## 3.1 Injury Management

1. If the patient is stable with non-life threatening injuries, the foreman will ensure the employee is transported to the emergency medical facility listed in Section 1 of the HASP. Directions to the nearest emergency medical facility are located in **Attachment A** of the HASP.

#### At no time will an injured employee drive themselves to medical care.

2. If the patient has serious or life threatening injuries, the emergency coordinator or his on- site designee will notify the emergency services for the area for treatment and transport to a hospital or emergency room. Serious injuries can be considered but not limited to head injuries, loss of consciousness, severe laceration or amputation, fractured bones, burns and eye injuries.

3. Following the treatment and care of the injured employee, the emergency coordinator or his on-site designee and the project manager will initiate the completion of the first injury report. The Health & Safety Manager will assist.

## 3.2 Project Manager

- 1. Upon notification of a personal injury or illness on the job site, will notify C&S Engineers, Inc, President and Corporate Legal and C&S Companies Health and Safety Manager.
- 2. Will report to the worksite to initiate the first injury report.
- 3. Will report to the treatment facility to check on the well being of the injured employee.
- 4. The project manager will ensure that the treatment facility is aware that this is a workers compensation case.
- 5. Will assist the Health and Safety Manager in the analysis of the incident.

## 3.3 Health & Safety Manager

- 1. Upon notification of the personal injury will determined if it is necessary to report to the treatment facility or the accident site, depending on the nature of the injuries and the circumstances of the accident.
- 2. Will report to the worksite to begin a root cause analysis investigation of the accident.
- 3. The investigation may include interview of witnesses, field crew, and project manager, the photographing of the scene, reconstruction of the accident scene, using test instruments and taking measurements. The Health and Safety Manager may draw diagrams from the information learned.
- 4. The Health and Safety Manager will work with the owner/client as necessary to investigate the accident.
- 5. The Health & Safety manager will ensure that the site is safe to resume work.
- 6. The Health & Safety Manager shall initiate the New York State Compensation form requirements (C-2) and forward a copy of the C-2 to the C & S Engineers, Inc. controller for transmittal to the Compensation Carrier within 8 hrs of notification of the incident or by the end of the next business day.
- 7. The Health and Safety manager, upon completion of the investigation, will provide the
- 8. Project Manager with a written investigative report (copy to the President)
- 9. The accident will be reviewed at the next Project Managers meeting with the intent to prevent further or similar events on other projects.
- 10. The Health & Safety Manager will assess the incident to determine OSHA record ability and make record if necessary on the OSHA 300 form, within five working days.

## 4.0 INCIDENT RESPONSE

#### 4.1 Purpose

To prevent the occurrence of accidents on C&S Engineers, Inc., work sites and to establish a procedure for investigation and reporting of incidents occurring in, or related to C&S work activities.

#### 4.2 Scope

Applies to all incidents related to C&S Engineers, Inc. work activities.

## 4.3 Definitions

<u>Accident</u> - An undesired event resulting in personal injury and/or property damage, and/or equipment failure.

Fatality - An injury or illness resulting in death of the individual.

<u>Incident</u> - Any occurrence which results in, or could potentially result in, the need for medical care or property damage. Such incidents shall include lost time accidents or illness, medical treatment cases, unplanned exposure to toxic materials or any other significant occurrence resulting in property damage or in "near misses."

<u>Incidence Rate</u> - the number of injuries, illnesses, or lost workdays related to a common exposure base of 100 full-time workers. The rate is calculated as:

#### N/EH x 200,000

N = number of injuries and illnesses or lost workday cases; EH = total hours worked by all associates during calendar year. 200,000 = base for 100 full-time equivalent workers (working 40 hours per week, 50 weeks per year).

<u>Injury</u> - An injury such as a cut, fracture, sprain, amputation, etc. which results from a work accident or from a single instantaneous event in the work environment.

<u>Lost Workday Case</u> - A lost workday case occurs when an injured or ill employee experiences days away from work beginning with the next scheduled work day. Lost workday cases do not occur unless the employee is effected beyond the day of injury or onset of illness.

<u>Recordable Illness</u> - An illness that results from the course of employment and must be entered on the OSHA 300 Log and Summary of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses. These illnesses require medical treatment and evaluation of work related injury. For example, dermatitis, bronchitis, irritation of eyes, nose, and throat can result from work and non-work related incidents. <u>Recordable Injury</u> - An injury that results from the course of employment and must be entered on the OSHA 300 Log and Summary of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses. These injuries require medical treatment; may involve loss of consciousness; may result in restriction of work or motion or transfer to another job; or result in a fatality.

<u>Near Miss</u> - An incident which, if occurring at a different time or in a different personnel or equipment configuration, would have resulted in an incident.

## 4.4 Responsibilities

<u>Employees</u> - It shall be the responsibility of all C&S Engineers, Inc. employees to report all incidents as soon as possible to the HSC, regardless of the severity.

<u>Human Resources</u> - has overall responsibility for maintaining accident/ incident reporting and investigations according to current regulations and recording injuries/ illness on the OSHA 300 log, and posting the OSHA 300 log.

<u>Emergency Coordinator</u> - It is the responsibility of the Emergency Coordinator to investigate and prepare an appropriate report of all accidents, illnesses, and incidents occurring on or related to C&S Engineers, Inc. work. The Emergency Coordinator shall complete Attachment A within 24 hours of the incident occurrence.

<u>Health and Safety Manager (HSM)</u> - It is the responsibility of the HSM to investigate and prepare an appropriate report of all lost time injuries and illnesses and significant incidents occurring on or related to C&S Companies. The HSM shall maintain the OSHA 300 form.

<u>Project Managers (PM)</u> - It shall be the PM's responsibility to promptly correct any deficiencies in personnel, training, actions, or any site or equipment deficiencies that were determined to cause or contribute to the incident investigated.

## 5.0 GUIDELINES

## 5.1 Incident Investigation

The Project Manager will immediately investigate the circumstances surrounding the incident and will make recommendations to prevent recurrence. The HSM shall be immediately notified by telephone if a serious accident/incident occurs. The incident shall be evaluated to determine whether it is OSHA recordable. If the incident is determined to be OSHA 300 recordable, it shall be entered on the OSHA 300 form.

The Project Manager with assistance from the HSM must submit to the office an incident report form pertaining to any incident resulting in injury or property damage.

## 5.2 Incident Report

The completed incident report must be completed by the Project Manager within 12 hours of the incident and distributed to the HSM, and Human Resources. This form shall be maintained by Human Resources for at least five years for all OSHA recordable cases. This form serves as an equivalent to the OSHA 101 form.

## 5.3 Incident Follow-up Report

The Incident Follow-Up Report (Attachment B) shall be distributed with the Incident Report within one week of the incident. Delay in filing this report shall be explained in a brief memorandum.

## 5.4 Reporting of Fatalities or Multiple Hospitalization Accidents

Fatalities or accidents resulting in the hospitalization of three or more employees must be reported to OSHA verbally or in writing within 8 hours. The report must contain 1) circumstances surrounding the accident(s), 2) the number of fatalities, and 3) the extent of any injuries.

## 5.5 OSHA 300A Summary Form

Recordable cases must be entered on the log within six workdays of receipt of the information that a recordable case has occurred. The OSHA log must be kept updated to within 45 calendar days.

OSHA 300 forms must be updated during the 5 year retention period, if there is a change in the extent or outcome of an injury or illness which affects an entry on a log. If a change is necessary, the original entry should be lined out and a corrected entry made on that log. New entries should be made for previously unrecorded cases that are discovered or for cases that initially weren't recorded but were found to be recordable after the end of the year. Log totals should also be modified to reflect these changes.

## 5.6 Posting

The log must be summarized at the end of the calendar year and the summary must be posted from February 1 through May 31.

## 5.7 **OSHA 300A**

Facilities selected by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) to participate in surveys of occupational injuries and illnesses will receive the OSHA 300A. The data from the annual summary on the OSHA 300 log should be transferred to the OSHA 300A, other requested information provided and the form returned as instructed by the BLS.

## 5.8 Access to OSHA Records

All OSHA records (accident reporting forms and OSHA 300 logs) should be available for inspection and copying by authorized Federal and State government officials.

Employees, former employees, and their representatives must be given access for inspection and copying to only the log, OSHA No. 300, for the establishment in which the employee currently works or formerly worked.

## 6.0 **REFERENCES**

29 CFR Part 1904

## 7.0 ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Incident Investigation Form Attachment B - Incident Follow-Up Report

Attachment C - Establishing Recordability

#### 6 **INCIDENT INVESTIGATION REPORT (A)** COMPANIES

#### **EMPLOYEE INFORMATION**

NAME	SSAN DOB		EMPLOYMENT STATUS (Check one.)
			□ Full □ Part □ Temp □ Other:
HOME ADDRESS EI		EMPLOYMENT START DATE	
DEPARTMENT/COMPANY		TIME IN OCCUPATION AT TIME OF INCIDENT	
			Month(s): Year(s):

#### **INJURY INFORMATION**

NATURE OF INJURY AND PART OF BODY INJURED				
EMPLOYEE'S SPECIFIC TASK AT TIME OF INJURY				
PRESENT AT INCIDENT (Check one.)				
□ Working Alone □ Working with Assigned Group □ Supervised □ Not Supervised				
INJURY REPORTED TO DATE REPORTED				
SAFETY NOTIFIED		DATE THIS REPORT SUBMITTED		
SEVERITY OF INJURY		YES	NO	
Fatality 🛛				
Lost Work Days/Days Away				
Restricted Work/Job Transfer				
Medical Treatment/Prescription				
First Aid Only				
Other				

## **TREATMENT INFORMATION**

TREATING FACILITY NAME	
TREATING FACILITY ADDRESS	
TREATING FACILITY PHONE NUMBER	PHYSICIAN'S NAME



# **INCIDENT INVESTIGATION REPORT (B)**

## WITNESS INFORMATION

NAME	PHONE	SUPERVISOR WITNESSED INCIDENT (Check one.)
		□ Yes □ No
NAME	PHONE	SUPERVISOR NAME
OTHER WITNESS INFORMATION	-	

#### **INCIDENT INVESTIGATION**

DESCRIBE SPECIFIC LOCATION		
DESCRIBE HOW INCIDENT OCCURRED		
TYPE OF EQUIPMENT/MACHINERY/CHICLE INVOLVED		
C&S OWNED EQUIPMENT (Check one.)		EQUIPMENT OWNED BY CLIENT/CUSTOMER (Check one.)
🗆 Yes 🗆 No		□ Yes □ No
EQUIPMENT DAMAGED (Check one.)	TAKEN OUT OF SERVICE (Check one.)	REPAIRED/REPLACED (Check one.)
□ Yes □ No	□ Yes □ No	□ Yes □ No
DAMAGE TO PROPERTY OF OTHERS (Check one.)	DESCRIPTION OF DAMAGE TO PROPERTY OF OTHERS	
🗆 Yes 🗆 No		
PPE REQUIRED (Check one.)	PPE USED (Check one.)	PPE A FACTOR IN INCIDENT (Check one.)
□ Yes □ No	□ Yes □ No	🗆 Yes 🗖 No
DESCRIBE PPE (Personal Protective Equipment)		
CASUAL FACTORS (Describe events or conditions that contrib	outed to the accident, include information about employed	e, equipment, environment, and management.)

#### **CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:**

#### **REPORT INFORMATION**

DATE OF REVIEW	PREPARED BY
SAFETY REVIEW	SIGNATURE
□ Yes □ No	
WORKER COMP RECORDABLE	OSHA 300 RECORDABLE
□ Yes □ No - Section 110 □	□ Yes □ No Number:

## ATTACHMENT B

## **INCIDENT FOLLOW-UP REPORT**

Date
Foreman:
Date of Incident:
Site:
Brief description of incident:
Outcome of incident:
Physician's recommendations:
Date the injured returned to work:
Project Manager Signature:
Date:

ATTACH ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO THIS FORM

#### ATTACHMENT C

#### ATTACHMENT ESTABLISHING RECORDABILITY

1. Deciding whether to record a case and how to classify the case.

Determine whether a fatality, injury or illness is recordable.

A fatality is recordable if:

- Results from employment

An injury is recordable if:

- Results from employment and
- It requires medical treatment beyond first aid or
- Results in restricted work activity or job transfer, or
- Results in lost work day or
- Results in loss of consciousness

An illness is recordable if:

- It results from employment

2. Definition of "Resulting from Employment"

Resulting from employment is when the injury or illness results from an event or exposure in the work environment. The work environment is primarily composed of: 1) The employer's premises, and 2) other locations where associates are engaged in work-related activities or are present as a condition of their employment.

The employer's premises include company rest rooms, hallways, cafeterias, sidewalks and parking lots. Injuries occurring in these places are generally considered work related.

The employer's premises EXCLUDES employer controlled ball fields, tennis courts, golf courses, parks, swimming pools, gyms, and other similar recreational facilities, used by associates on a voluntary basis for their own benefit, primarily during off work hours.

Ordinary and customary commute, is not generally considered work related.

Employees injured or taken ill while engaged in consuming food, as part of a normal break or activity is not considered work related. Employees injured or taken ill as the result of smoking, consuming illegal drugs, alcohol or applying make up are generally not considered work related. Employee injured by un authorized horseplay is generally not considered work related, however, an employee injured as a result of a fight or other workplace violence act, may be considered work related.

Associates who travel on company business are considered to be engaged in work related activities all the time they spend in the interest of the company. This includes travel to and from customer contacts, and entertaining or being entertained for purpose of promoting or discussing business. Incidents occurring during normal living activities (eating, sleeping, recreation) or if the associate deviates from a reasonably direct route of travel are not considered OSHA recordable.

3. Distinction between Medical Treatment and First Aid.

First aid:

Any one-time treatment, and any follow up visit for the purpose of observation, of minor scratches, cuts, burns, splinters, etc., which do not ordinarily require medical care. Such one time treatment, and follow up visit for the purpose of observation, is considered first aid even though provided by a physician or registered professional personnel.

Medical Treatment (recordable):

- a) Must be treated only by a physician or licensed medical personnel.
- b) Impairs bodily function (i.e. normal use of senses, limbs, etc.).
- c) Results in damage to physical structure of a non-superficial nature (fractures).
- d) Involves complications requiring follow up medical treatment.

# Appendix E Quality Assurance Project Plan

## **Quality Assurance Project Plan**

for

Lofts at 1117

1117 West Fayette Street

Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York

Site No. C734160

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## 1 Introduction

C&S' Quality Control (QC) Program is a vital part of its approach to remedial programs. Through our thorough QC program, our firm is able to provide accurate and dependable data. QC also provides safe working conditions for field staff.

The QC program contains procedures, which provide for collected data to be properly evaluated, and which document that quality control procedures have been followed in the collection of samples. The QC program represents the methodology and measurement procedures used in collecting quality field data. This methodology includes the proper use of equipment, documentation of sample collection, and sample handling practices.

Procedures used in the firm's QC program are consistent with federal, state, and local regulations, as well as, appropriate professional and technical standards.

This QC program has been organized into the following areas:

- QC Objectives
- Field Sampling Techniques
  - Procedures
  - Preparation
  - Measurement
  - Decontamination
- Sample Management

## 2 Quality Control Objectives

## 2.1 Data Quality Objectives

Data Quality Objectives (DQOs) are statements which describe the desired quality of data necessary to meet the objectives of the sampling program. The DQOs for the site sampling program were formulated during the scoping effort and developed as part of this Plan. The general steps followed in preparation of the DQOs were as follows:

- ► *Identification of the media to be sampled* Identifies the media being investigated (e.g., ground water, surface soil).
- ► *Identification of the data uses* Identifies the intended use of the data according to the following:
  - Site Characterization Data are used to determine the composition, nature, and extent of contamination.
  - Risk Assessment Data are used to evaluate the actual or potential risks posed by contaminants determined to be present on-site. Particular attention is given to sampling at locations where human exposure is possible.
  - Health and Safety Plan (HASP) Data are used to establish the level of protection needed for on-site workers during site characterization activities.
  - Monitoring Data are used during the monitoring of the remedial action to access the effectiveness of such action.
  - PRP Enforcement Data are used to help establish potentially responsible parties (PRP's).
  - Evaluation of Alternatives Data are used to evaluate various proposed remedial technologies and assist in proper design of alternatives.
- ► *Identification of the data types* Identifies what types of analyses are to be performed.
- ► *Sample Collected* Describes the sample types to be collected.
  - Environmental Refers to a specific media sampled such as water, soil, air, or biological.
  - Source Refers to sampling an actual contamination source.
  - Grab A discrete sample representative of a specific location.
  - Composite A sample that represents a mixture of a number of grab samples that represents the average properties over the extent of areas sampled.
  - Biased -Sampling that focuses on a specific area of expected contamination or uncontaminated area (background).
- ► *Identification of the data quality needs* Identifies the analytical options available to support data collection activities and are identified as follows:
  - Level I: *Field Screening* portable type instruments which provide real-time data.
  - Level II: *Field Analysis* portable analytical instruments in an on-site lab or transported to the site.
  - Level III: *Standard Analytical Protocols* standard analytical protocols or without the NYSDEC Analytical Services Protocol (ASP) (2000) deliverables/reportables

documentation.

- Level IV: *NYSDEC ASP Reportables/Deliverables* rigorous QA/QC protocols and reportables/deliverables documentation; NYSDEC ASP (2000) Category B deliverables.
- Level V: *Non-Standard* methods which have been modified to meet specific site study or remediation needs or by use of some other specialized analytical methods that cannot be obtained through standard or typical avenues of analytical support.
- Identification of Data Quality Factors Describes factors which influence the quality or quantity of data to be collected. Primary contaminants and associated levels of concern are identified concerning ARARs or potential risks. The required detection limit are also given or referenced.
- ► *Identification of QA/QC Samples* Specifies additional samples to be collected to support Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) procedures. Additional samples to be collected could include:
  - *Matrix Spike/Matrix Spike Duplicates* Matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate samples are collected as a duplicate sample to which the analytical laboratory will add known amounts of target analytes. These QA/QC samples are intended to assess the extraction procedure used by the laboratory.
  - *Field Blanks* Field (equipment) blanks are samples which are obtained by running analyte-free water through the sample collection equipment in a way that is identical to the sample collection procedures. Field blanks may be used during QA/QC procedures to evaluate if sampling equipment has contributed contaminants to the samples.
  - *Trip Blanks* Trip blanks are samples which are prepared prior to the sampling event in the same type of sample container and are kept with the collected samples throughout the sampling event unit analysis. Trip blank vials are not opened in the field and are analyzed for volatile organics only.

## 2.2 Sampling Procedures

All sampling objectives, locations, and procedures have been included in the Site Management Plan (SMP) and are further described in Section 3. Items including Field Measurement Techniques, General Field Decontamination, and Sample Management have also been included in Sections 3 and 4.

## 2.3 Laboratory Certification and Coordination

Contract Laboratory Protocol (CLP) certification is a tier of accreditation issued by the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) within the Solid and Hazardous Waste category. Such laboratories have demonstrated that they meet the requirements of the NYSDEC Analytical Services Protocol. Laboratories utilized will be accredited by the NYSDOH's Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP). All chemical analyses for samples from the site will be completed by a CLP laboratory capable of performing project specific analyses as indicated in this QA/QC plan. The project Quality Assurance / Quality Control (QA/QC) Officer will also be responsible for all project related laboratory coordination.

## 2.4 Analytical Methodologies

Sampling and analysis will be performed for the Target Compound List (TCL) parameters including volatiles. The specific analyses will be conducted according to the following NYSDEC ASP 2000 methodologies:

Parameter Group	Analysis Method
Volatiles	8260C or TO-15 for air
Semivolatiles	8270D
PCBs	8082A
Pesticides	8081B
Herbicides	8151A
Metals / Inorganics	6010D, 7471B, 9010C/9012B, 7196A
PFOA/PFOS	1633

Trip blanks accompany each shipment of aqueous samples for VOC analysis. Trip blanks are not necessary for soil samples. If several samples are collected for VOC analysis on any one day, all VOC samples will be packed in the same cooler with the trip blank. All data will be presented in Category B reportables / deliverables format.

## 2.5 Analytical Quality Control

Analytical quality control for this Project will be consistent with the methodology and quality assurance/quality control requirements in the NYSDEC ASP 2000.

Laboratory reporting limits for soil excavation endpoint samples and soil samples collected to determine if material is acceptable for use or reuse on-site will not exceed applicable soil cleanup objectives as defined in 6 NYCRR 375-6. Reporting limits for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in soil will not exceed 0.5 micrograms per kilogram (ug/kg). Reporting limits for groundwater will not exceed groundwater standards, criteria, and guidance values (SCGs), as defined in the Department's guidance document Technical and Operational Guidance Series 1.1.1 – Ambient Water Quality Standards and Guidance Values and Groundwater Effluent Limitations dated June 1998, and updated in January 1999, April 2000 and June 2004 (TOGS 1.1.1), and will not exceed the draft groundwater SCGs listed in the draft addendum to TOGS 1.1.1 issued in 2021. Reporting limits for PFAS in groundwater will not exceed 2 nanograms per liter. The reporting limit for each target compound for all indoor air, outdoor air, sub-slab vapor, and soil vapor samples will not exceed 1.0 microgram per cubic meter (ug/m3), except that the reporting limit for indoor air and outdoor air samples for the following compounds will not exceed 0.2 ug/m3: trichloroethene; cis-1,2-dichloroethene; 1,1-dichloroethene; carbon tetrachloride; and vinyl chloride.

The following tables detail sample volumes, containers, preservation, and holding time for typical analytes.

Table 2.5a
Water Samples

Type of Analysis	Type and Size of Container	Number of Containers and Sample Volume (per sample)	Preservation	Holding Time Until Extraction/ Analysis
VOCs	40-ml glass vial with Teflon-backed septum	Two (2); fill completely, no headspace	Cool to 4° C (ice in cooler), Hydrochloric acid to pH <2	14 days
Semi-volatile Organic Compounds (SVOCs)	1,000 or 200-ml amber glass jar	One (1); fill completely	Cool to 4° C (ice in cooler)	7/40 days
Pesticides	1,000-ml amber glass jar	One (1); fill completely	Cool to 4° C (ice in cooler)	7/40 days
Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)	1,000-ml amber glass jar	One (1); fill completely	Cool to 4° C (ice in cooler)	7/40 days
Metals	250-ml HDPE	One (1); fill completely	Cool to 4° C (ice in cooler) Nitric acid to pH <2	180 days (28 for mercury)
Cyanide	1,000-mL HDPE		Cool to 4° C (ice in cooler) Nitric acid to pH <2	14 days

Note:

All sample bottles will be prepared in accordance with USEPA bottle washing procedures.

Consult with laboratory as bottleware may vary by laboratory.

Holding time begins at the time of sample collection.

## Table 2.5b **Soil Samples**

Type of Analysis	Type and Size of Container	Number of Containers and Sample Volume (per sample)	Preservation	Holding Time Until Extraction/ Analysis
VOCs	4-oz, glass jar with Teflon-lined cap	One (1), fill as completely as possible	Cool to 4° C (ice in cooler)	14 days
VOCs via EPA 5035	40 mL vials with sodium bisulfate, methanol, and/or DI water	Three (3), 5 grams each	Cool to 4° C (ice in cooler)	2 days
SVOCs	4-oz, glass jar with Teflon-lined cap	One (1), fill as completely as possible	Cool to 4° C (ice in cooler)	7/40 days
PCBs	4-oz, glass jar with Teflon-lined cap	One (1), fill as completely as possible	Cool to 4° C (ice in cooler)	7/40 days
Pesticides	4-oz, glass jar with Teflon-lined cap	One (1), fill as completely as possible	Cool to 4° C (ice in cooler)	14/40 days
Metals	4-oz. glass jar with Teflon-lined cap	One (1), fill as completely as possible	Cool to 4° C (ice in cooler)	180 days (28 for mercury)
Cyanide	4-oz, glass jar with Teflon-lined cap	One (1), fill as completely as possible	Cool to 4° C (ice in cooler)	14 days

Note: All sample bottles will be prepared in accordance with USEPA bottle washing procedures. Consult with laboratory as bottleware may vary by laboratory. Holding time begins at the time of sample collection.

## 3 Field Sampling Plan

## 3.1 Sampling Procedures

The following sections provide procedures for collecting a variety of samples, not all of which will be needed at this site.

## 3.1.1 Preparation for Sampling

The sample collection technique is of prime importance to assure the integrity of the collected sample. The following techniques include provisions so that:

- ► A representative sample is obtained;
- Contamination of the sample is minimized;
- ► The sample is properly preserved; and
- ► An acceptable Chain-of-Custody record is maintained.

The QA/QC Sampling Component of the Plan includes:

- ► Incorporation of accepted sampling techniques referenced in the sampling plan;
- ► Procedures for documenting any field actions contrary to the QA/QC Plan;
- Documentation of all preliminary activities such as equipment check-out, calibrations, and container storage and preparation;
- Documentation of field measurement quality control data (quality control procedures for such measurements shall be equivalent to corresponding QC procedures);
- Documentation of field activities;
- Documentation of post-field activities including sample shipment and receipt, field team debriefing, and equipment check-in;
- ► Generation of quality control samples including duplicate samples, field blanks, equipment blanks, and trip blanks; and
- The use of these samples in the context of data evaluation with details of the methods employed (including statistical methods) and of the criteria upon which the information generated will be judged.

The personnel responsible for collection of groundwater, soil, miscellaneous media, and petroleum spill remediation/verification samples will be familiar with standard sampling procedures and follow the appropriate protocol. Field records will be maintained in bound notebooks with numbered pages to document daily instrument calibration, locations sampled, field observations, and weather conditions. Each page will be dated and signed by the sampler. Each notebook will be numbered and a log of notebooks will be maintained by the project manager.

Prior to sampling, all equipment must be procured and accommodations for sample container delivery, and sample shipment must be made. The following is a list of general equipment that would be on hand for sampling events. Special equipment for each sampling event is presented in the section describing that specific sampling event.

#### General Field Sampling Equipment

- ► Field Data Sheets
- ► Chain-of-Custody forms
- Engineers tape and folding ruler with 0.01 foot intervals
- ► Field Record Sheets
- ► Latex gloves
- ► Face-safety shield
- ► Tyvek coveralls
- ► Respirators
- ► Photoionization detector
- Bio-degradable phosphate free detergent
- Coolers and ice

- ► 55 gallon drums
- ► Sample bottles
- ► Aluminum foil
- ► Duct and filament tape
- ► Tap water
- ► Distilled water
- Laboratory grade methanol and hexane
- ► 5 gallon wash buckets
- Decontamination cloths
- ► Large disposal containers
- ► Large plastic sheets

#### The following protocol apply to soil boring advancement:

- Installation of soil borings will be overseen by a qualified geologist, QEP, or environmental scientist.
- Continuous soil samples will be collected until the termination depth of the boring and classified.
- Digital photographs will be taken of each interval along with identifying information (location, date, interval) written on a white board or similar means, prior to disturbing the sample.
- All sample intervals will be inspected and logged, and headspace screening will be performed on all intervals with a photoionization detector (PID).
- A boring log will be generated which describes the boring in writing as to: color (including the presence of mottling), grain size, sorting, cohesiveness, texture, moisture content/saturation, depth to water table, PID readings, presence of man-made objects such as brick fragments, metal scrap, or concrete, and the presence or absence of odors, staining, or other signs of contamination (e.g. coating on downhole tools, or lifting of contamination to the surface during sample recovery), stratigraphy, and confining layers.
- If staining, discoloration, or contamination is noted along specific layers or other structures, the characteristics and stratigraphic position of these layers will be clearly noted.
- The amount of visual contamination present in soil will be noted as follows (none, stain, sheen, blebs, stringers, saturated, pooled). The following definitions will be used to define contamination:
  - None: No visual evidence of contamination is seen.
  - Stain: Soil is discolored un-naturally, apparently from site contaminants.
  - Sheen: No measurable contamination is observed, but the sample exhibits a silvery or rainbow sheen indicative of a non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL) layer molecules thick.
  - o Blebs: Discontinuous droplets/spots of contamination are observed.
  - Stringers: Continuous, discrete, contamination pathways are observed.
  - o Saturated: Contamination is infused within the entire soil matrix.

• Pooled: Contamination (e.g., NAPL) is observed at significant thicknesses, separate from the soil or bedrock matrix.

# 3.1.2 Drilling Equipment and Techniques – Direct Push

Soil borings will be advanced with a Geoprobe direct push sampling system. The use of direct push technology allows for rapid sampling, observation, and characterization of relatively shallow overburden soils. The Geoprobe utilizes a four to five-foot macrocore sampler, with disposable polyethylene sleeves. Soil cores will be retrieved in four or five-foot sections, and can be easily cut from the polyethylene sleeves for observation and sampling. The macrocore sampler will be decontaminated between boring locations using an alconox and water solution.

Prior to initiating drilling activities, the Macrocores, drive rods, and pertinent equipment, will be steam cleaned or washed with an alconox and water solution. This cleaning procedure will also be used between each boring. Throughout and after the cleaning processes, direct contact between the equipment and the ground surface will be avoided. Plastic sheeting and/or clean support structures (e.g., pallets, sawhorses) will be used.

Test borings will be advanced with 2-inch (or larger) inside diameter (ID) direct push Macrocore through overburden soils. Drilling fluids, other than potable water will not be allowed without special consideration and agreement from NYSDEC. The use of lubricants is also not allowed unless approved by the NYSDEC representative.

During the drilling, a properly calibrated photoionization detector (PID) will be used to screen soil cores retrieved from the Macrocores.

### *3.1.3 Drilling Equipment and Techniques – Hollow Stem Auger*

The drilling and installation of monitoring wells will be performed using a rotary drill rig which will have sufficient capacity to perform 4 1/4-inch inside diameter (ID) hollow-stem auger drilling in the overburden, retrieve Macrocore or split-spoon samples. Equipment sizes and diameters may vary based on project-specific criteria. Any investigative derived waste generated during the advancement of soil borings and monitoring well installations will be containerized and characterized for proper disposal.

Prior to initiating drilling activities, the augers, rods, Macrocore, split spoons, and other pertinent equipment will be steam cleaned or washed with an alconox and water solution. This cleaning procedure will also be used between each boring. Steam cleaning activities will be performed in a designated on-site decontamination area. During and after the cleaning processes, direct contact between the equipment and the ground surface will be avoided. Plastic sheeting and/or clean support structures (e.g., pallets, sawhorses) will be used.

Test borings will be advanced with 4 1/4-inch (ID) hollow stem augers through overburden, driven by truck-, track-, or trailer-mounted drilling equipment. Alternative methods of drilling or equipment may be allowed or requested for project specific criteria, but must be approved by the NYSDEC. Drilling fluids, other than water from a NYSDEC-approved source, will not be allowed without special consideration and agreement from NYSDEC. The use of lubricants is also not allowed unless approved by the NYSDEC representative.

During the drilling, a (PID) will be used to screen soils retrieved from the split spoons or Macrocores.

Hollow stem auger advanced groundwater-monitoring wells typically utilize minimum 2-inch threaded flush joint PVC pipe with 0.010-in. slotted screen or pre-packed well screens. PVC piping used for risers and screens will conform to the requirements of ASTM-D 1785 Schedule 40 pipe. All materials used to construct the wells will be NSF/ASTM approved. Solvent PVC glue shall not be used at any time in the construction of the wells. The bottom of the screen shall be sealed with a treated cap or plug. No lead shot or lead wool is to be employed in sealing the bottom of the well or for sealant at any point in the well.

### 3.1.4 Groundwater Monitoring Well Construction / Completion

### Artificial Sand Pack

When utilized, granular backfill will be chemically and texturally clean, inert, siliceous, and of appropriate grain size for the screen slot size and the host environment The sand pack will be installed using a tremie pipe, when possible (i.e., a tremie pipe may not fit into smaller, 2-in. diameter boreholes). When utilized, the well screen and casing will be installed, and the sand pack placed around the screen and casing to a depth extending at least 2-ft. A pre-packed well screen may be used if pre-approved by the NYSDEC.

#### **Bentonite Seal**

A minimum 2-ft. thick seal will be placed directly on top of the sand pack, and care will be taken to avoid bridging. In the event that Site geology does not allow for a 2-ft. seal (e.g., only 1-ft. of space remains between the top of the sand pack and ground surface), the remaining space in the annulus will be filled with bentonite.

#### **Grout Mixture**

Upon completion of the bentonite seal, the well may be grouted with a non-shrinking cement grout (e.g., Volclay R) mix to be placed from the top of the bentonite seal to the ground surface. The cement grout shall consist of a mixture of Portland cement (ASTM C 150) and water, in the proportion of not more than 7 gallons of clean water per bag of cement (1 cubic foot or 94 pounds). Additionally, 3% by weight of bentonite powder may be added.

#### **Surface Protection**

At all times during the progress of the work, precautions shall be used to prevent tampering with or the entrance of foreign material into the well. Upon completion of the well, a suitable cap shall be installed to prevent material from entering the well. Where permanent wells are to be installed, the well riser shall be protected by a flush mounted road box set into a concrete pad or locking well cap for stick-up wells. A concrete pad, sloped away from the well, shall be constructed around the flush mount road box or stick-up casing at ground level.

Any well that is to be temporarily removed from service or left incomplete due to delay in construction shall be capped with a watertight cap.

#### **Construction Log**

A monitoring well construction log will be generated that includes: construction date(s); total boring depth; coordinates; ground surface elevation; top of casing elevation; well diameter, material, and screen slot size; depths/intervals of the screen, sand pack, and bentonite seal; and details on the surface completion.

#### Surveying

Coordinates and elevations will be established for each monitoring well and sampling location. Elevations to the closest 0.01 foot shall be used for the survey. These elevations shall be referenced to a regional, local, or project-specific datum. The location, identification, coordinates, and elevations of the wells will be plotted on maps with a scale large enough to show their location with reference to other structures at each site.

#### Well Development

After completion of the well, but not sooner than 24 hours after grouting is completed, development will be accomplished using pumping, bailing, or surge blocking. No dispersing agents, acids, disinfectants, or other additives will be used during development or introduced into the well at any other time. During development, water will be removed throughout the entire water column by periodically lowering and raising the pump intake (or bailer stopping point).

Development water will be either properly contained and treated as waste until the results of chemical analysis of samples are obtained or discharged on Site as determined by the Site-specific work plans and/or consultation with the NYSDEC representatives on Site.

The development process will continue until removal of a minimum of 110% of the water lost during drilling, three well volumes; whichever is greater, or as specified in the RIWP. In the event that limited recharge does not allow for the recovery of all drilling water lost in the well or three well volumes, the well will be allowed to stabilize to conditions deemed representative of groundwater conditions. Stabilization periods will vary by project but will be confirmed with the NYSDEC prior to sampling.

#### 3.1.5 Groundwater Sample Collection

Groundwater samples will be collected using a low flow pump. All other related sampling equipment will be properly decontaminated in the field. The following equipment will be available for sampling of monitoring wells in addition to the general sampling equipment list:

- ► Well Data Sheets
- ► Pump

- ► Water Quality Meter
- Acid resistant gloves
- Electronic water level indicator

The following activities will be completed before going into the field every day before the start of sampling:

- 1. Fill out appropriate section on Well Data Sheet for the wells to be sampled;
- 2. Obtain the sampling schedule for each well to be sampled;
- 3. Calibrate the Photoionization Detector (PID) with the calibration gas;

- 4. Determine the amount of sampling to be done for the day and prepare the necessary number of coolers;
- 5. Each well to be sampled will have designated coolers containing the pre-labeled, certified clean, sample bottles. The groundwater samples will be placed in the cooler labeled for the well from which they were taken. The bottle shall be labeled with large distinguishable letters, so that the groundwater samples will be placed in the proper cooler; and
- 6. Select the appropriate sample bottles for the day's sampling. The bottles shall be premarked with a sample parameter and preservatives. Reusable glass bottles will have been cleaned and prepared at the laboratory. The bottles for the various parameters to be analyzed from each well location will then be placed in a cooler.

The following steps describe the sample collection of groundwater:

- 1. Unlock and remove the well cap;
- 2. Test the air at the wellhead with the calibrated PID. If the gases from the well have caused the air in the breathing zone to read greater than 5 ppm, stop work and refer to the HASP. Record the reading on the Well Data Sheet;
- 3. In order to obtain a representative sample of the formation water, the well must be purged of the static water within the well. Prior to purging, the static water level within the well must be measured and the measurement recorded on the Well Data Sheet.

Groundwater will be purged using a peristaltic pump. During purging, groundwater will be purged at a rate so that the water level in the well is drawn down no more than 0.3 feet. During purging, water quality indicator parameters will be recorded using a properly calibrated multi-parameter probe with a flow-thru cell or equivalent at five (5)-minute intervals or however long it takes to pump one flow-cell volume, whichever is greater.

These water quality indicator parameters will include:

- water level drawdown
- temperature
- pH
- dissolved oxygen
- specific conductance
- oxidation-reduction potential
- turbidity

Groundwater sampling will commence once the groundwater quality indicator parameters have stabilized for at least 3 consecutive readings for the following parameters:

- temperature +/- 3%
- pH +/- 0.1unit
- dissolved oxygen +/-10% or three consecutive readings less than 0.5 milligrams per liter
- specific conductance +/-3%

- oxidation-reduction potential +/-10 millivolts
- turbidity +/-10% for values greater than 5 NTUs

Once stabilized, groundwater samples will be collected directly from the sample tubing prior to passing through the flow-through cell or other groundwater quality monitoring device.

- 4. Purge the well; lower pump slowly into the well until it is below the water surface. Water removed from the wells during development and sampling will be contained, characterized, and properly disposed of off-site. Wastes will be characterized in order to determine if they are a hazardous waste and as required by the proposed disposal facility. Wastes will be hauled by a hauler with a current Part 364 Waste Transporter permit, and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations.
- 5. Record the amount of water purged in the field logbook and on the Well Data Sheet.
- 6. If the well goes dry during pumping, allow for full recovery (measure the water level) and then sample. If recovery takes more than twenty minutes, proceed to next well but return to sample within 24 hours.
- 7. Fill the appropriate sample bottles according to the sampling schedule for each well. While filling the sample bottles, record the well number, type, volume of container, and the preservatives used on the Ground Water Sampling Analyses form.
- 8. The preservatives for the various sampling parameters were previously added to the clean sample bottles by the laboratory. Some parameters may require additional special handling.
- 9. Volatile organics analyses samples must be free of air bubbles. When a bubble-free sample has been obtained, it must be immediately chilled.
- 10. Collect the matrix spike duplicates and trip blanks. Take samples according to sampling schedule presented in the Work Plan. Duplicate samples will include the field splitting of at least one groundwater sample for each sampling visit. This may require the extraction of twice the amount of water needed for duplication purposes. The creation of trip/field blanks and duplicates shall be performed at least once with each field batch with a minimum of once every twenty samples.
- 11. Record all pertinent information in field logbook and on the Well Data Sheet (include color, odor, sediment content of sample, etc.). Any situations at the site that have the potential to interfere with the analytical results should also be recorded here.
- 12. Lock well, inspect well site, and note any maintenance required.

### 3.1.6 Monitoring Well Decommissioning

Monitoring wells will be decommissioned when:

- They are no longer needed and re-use by another program is not an option; or
- The wells integrity is suspect or compromised

The method for decommissioning will be determined based upon well construction and environmental parameters. The method selected will be designed to protect groundwater and implemented consistent with best engineering practices. *Groundwater Monitoring Well Decommissioning Procedures*, which is appended to NYSDEC CP-43 will be followed.

### 3.1.7 Air Sample Collection

Indoor air, sub-slab vapor, and outdoor air sampling will be conducted in in general conformance with NYSDOH's guidance document Guidance for Evaluating Soil Vapor Intrusion in the State of New York dated October 2006, as updated.

### **Indoor Air Sampling**

Indoor air samples will be collected using a SummaTM canister equipped with a critical orifice flow regulation device sized to allow an air sample to be collected over a 24-hour sampling period. Care is taken to deploy the canisters away from the direct influence of any forced air emanating from air conditioning units, central air conditioning vents, furnaces or heaters. The indoor air sampling procedure is as follows:

- The sample canisters are placed in the lowest level of the building (basement, or first floor is there is no basement).
- Building spaces are examined to determine a location for deploying the sample. The canister is deployed in areas not subject to disturbances and which will not interfere with the occupant's normal activities. The canisters are placed in the breathing zone, three to five feet above the floor / surface.
- Building occupants are requested to keep out of the sampling area during the sampling event.
- Air sample canisters are labeled with a unique sample designation number. The sample number and location is recorded in the field log book.
- The canister vacuum is measured using an integrated vacuum gauge immediately prior to canister deployment, and recorded in the field log book. The critical orifice flow controller is installed, as supplied by the laboratory, on the canister, the canister is opened fully at the beginning of sample collection period, and the start time is recorded.
- The canister valve is closed fully at the end of the sample period by disconnecting the regulator from the canister (after 24-hours) and the end time recorded. Any evidence of canister disturbance during the sample collection will be recorded.
- The canister vacuum is measured and recorded immediately after canister retrieval at the end of the sample period. Once the vacuum is measured, the canisters are returned to their sampling boxes for safe storage and shipping. Field data is verified as correctly entered into field books prior to shipment; and canisters are shipped to the laboratory under a chain-of-custody.

### Sub-Slab Soil Gas Sampling

Sub-slab sampling points are installed to collect soil gas immediately below the slab. Sub-slab gas samples are collected using a Summa<sup>TM</sup> canister fitted with a flow orifice pre-calibrated to collect a sample over a 24-hour period. Once the 24-hour sampling period has been completed, the canister is boxed and shipped to the laboratory for analysis. A brief summary of the sampling protocol is provided below. The sub-slab vapor points are installed by first advancing a small diameter hole (approximately 3/8-inches in diameter) through the floor slab to determine thickness. The holes are drilled via a hammer drill or concrete core. The hole extends through the slab and terminates

at the interface with underlying material (i.e. gravel base or soil). A sample point consisting of a length of tubing is placed into the boring. The cored slab annulus is filled with clay placed around the sub-slab vapor point. The bottom of the sub-slab vapor point extends to the bottom of slab. Prior to sub-slab soil gas sample collection, the monitoring point and above grade tubing is purged at a rate not exceeding 200 ml/min. The total volume purged prior to sample collection equals three volumes of air in the open space of tubing and the sample point. At the end of the sampling event, a pressure gauge reading is recorded. The canister with a calibrated 24-hour orifice is connected to the tubing. The following summarizes the above:

- The sub-slab sampling point construction is temporary, with the sampling points securely mounted through the concrete slab and grouted in place using pottery clay.
- Prior to sub-slab soil gas sample collection, the monitoring point and above grade tubing is purged at a rate not exceeding 200 ml/min.
- Samples are collected over a 24-hour period at a flow rate not greater than 200 mL/min.
- Helium is used as a field tracer during sampling. Helium testing is conducted by placing a shroud over the sampling location, with the sampling tubing extending through the shroud. The shroud is filled with helium to a minimum concentration of 50% helium. Sub-slab vapor is confirmed to contain less than 10% of the shroud concentration prior to proceeding with sampling, with the goal being to achieve even lower levels of helium.
- Field documentation is maintained in a field notebook and on field data forms.

### **Ambient Air Sampling**

Ambient air samples are collected in the same manner as the indoor air samples.

Note that co-located samples will be collected across the same time period.

### **3.2** Field Measurement Techniques

<u>Water Level Measurement</u> - Water elevations will be taken on all wells prior to purging and sampling. All measurements will be taken within a 24-hour period to obtain consistent elevations and recorded on well data sheets. The procedure for measuring water levels in the monitoring wells is:

- ► Unlock and remove well cap;
- ► Test the atmosphere of the well with the calibrated PID. If the gases from the well have caused the air in the breathing zone to read greater than 5 ppm, stop work and refer to the HASP
- ► Measure water level to nearest 0.01 foot with a water level indicator (electronic).
- ► Water level indicators will be decontaminated before moving to next well. The tape and cable are decontaminated by washing in a bucket of distilled water-biodegradable phosphate free-detergent solution, followed by a rinse with distilled water.

<u>Specific Conductance Measurement</u> - A specific conductance meter will be field calibrated daily, using a 1M KCl reference solution, to 1413 µmhos/cm at 25 degrees centigrade. Sample aliquots for specific conductance and temperature will be obtained directly from the sampling point in

100 ml disposable beakers.

<u>Photoionization Detector (PID)</u> - The PID will be calibrated daily (and more often as required by the manufacturer's data) prior to use in the field, using calibration test gases.

# **3.3** General Decontamination

The following procedures will be performed for the decontamination of exploration equipment, sampling equipment, and personnel after each drilling/sampling event:

<u>Drill rig, backhoe, and excavator</u> - The drill rig, direct-push rig, backhoe, and/or excavator will be cleaned prior to their entrance and exit of the site. Greases and oils will not be used on any down hole equipment during drilling or exploration activities.

*Exploration equipment* - To avoid cross contamination, use of a PID meter and cleaning between each sampling site will be employed on backhoe arms, buckets, hollow stem augers, casing drill rods, down-hole tools, and appurtenant equipment.

<u>Split spoon sampler</u> - The split spoon sampler will be scrubbed, cleaned, and put through a series of rinses between each sampling event. A number of split spoon samplers will be used so that one can be utilized for sampling while the others are being cleaned.

<u>Reusable equipment</u> - The following steps will be employed to decontaminate reusable equipment:

- ► Rinse equipment of soil or foreign material with potable water;
- Immerse and scrub equipment with bio-degradable phosphate-free detergent and potable water;
- ► Immerse and scrub in a potable water rinse without detergent;
- ► Immerse and scrub in deionized/distilled water;
- ► Saturate by spraying or immersion in laboratory-grade hexane;
- ► Air dry and wrap cleaned equipment in foil to carry to next monitoring site to prevent contamination of equipment during transfer; and
- ► The decontamination wash and rinse water will not be considered hazardous unless visual inspection or monitoring by the PID and other equipment indicate that contaminants may be present. The rinse waters can be discharged on-site if they are not contaminated. If contaminants are expected to be present, the rinsate waters should be placed in 55 gallon drums and stored on-site.

*Disposable equipment* - The following steps will be employed to decontaminate disposable equipment:

- ► Rinse with potable water;
- ► Remove all standing liquid from the piece of equipment;
- ► Dispose of the equipment in a dedicated container for contaminated solids; and
- ► Dispose of rinse water in 55 gallon drums if contaminants are found to be present.

<u>Sample containers</u> - upon filling and capping sample bottles, the outside of the bottle will be wiped off with a clean paper towel. These towels will be disposed of in a dedicated container for contaminated solids.

<u>*Personnel decontamination*</u> - The following procedures will be used to decontaminate sampling personnel.

- ► After each sampling event chemical resistant gloves will be disposed of in a dedicated container for contaminated solids;
- ► At the end of each sampling day, Tyvek<sup>TM</sup> coveralls will be disposed of in a dedicated container for contaminated solids;
- ► Boots will be rinsed off with water to remove mud, clay, or any other contaminants; and
- ► Personnel will be required to follow procedures outlined in the HASP.

# 4 Sample Management Plan

# 4.1 Sample Management

This Sample Management Plan provides procedures to document and track samples and results obtained during this work effort. A series of pre-printed forms with the appropriate information serves as a vehicle for documentation and tracking.

In order to accomplish this task, the documentation materials will include sample labels, sample characterization and Chain-of-Custody sheets, daily field reports, and a sample log.

<u>Sample Label</u> - A sample label will be completed for each sample obtained and will be affixed to the sample container. The label is configured in a way to address various types of mediums. Information on the label includes, at a minimum, client name, location, sample description, sample number, date, time, grab sample, composite sample, notes, and sampler's name.

<u>Sample Characterization & Chain-of-Custody Sheet</u> - All pertinent field information will be entered onto the sample characterization and chain-of-custody sheets including client name, sample ID, sample description, location of sample, sampling method, number of containers, container type, analysis required, and preservation. The monitoring well form has space allotted for entering information regarding the well including depth to water, well volume, sample pH, temperature, color, etc. The Chain-of-Custody section of the form will document the sample's pathway of sample shipment which will include names of persons delivering/receiving, dates, and times. The reverse side of this form will be used by the laboratory to document analysis performed on the sample. Copies of the completed forms will be retained by the Engineer and the analytical laboratory. The original sample characterization and Chain-of-Custody sheets will be submitted in the Remedial Investigation report along with the laboratory results.

<u>Daily Field Reports</u> - Daily activities will be recorded on the Inspection Report form. The purpose of this form will be to summarize the work performed on the site each day. The completed forms will be submitted to the Project Manager on a daily basis for short term site activity and on a weekly basis for site activities of a longer duration.

<u>Sample Log</u> - The sample log will be utilized to track each individual sample obtained at the site. The upper portion, "Field Identification" will be completed the day the sample is taken. The form will accompany the sample characterization and Chain-of-Custody form to the laboratory. Personnel at the laboratory will complete the middle section of this form and return it to the Engineer, who will use the document to track incoming results. The bottom of the sheet has space allocated to enter "Recommended Actions" based on laboratory results.

### 4.2 Sample Handling

Each collected sample will be dispensed into the appropriate sample containers for the type of analysis to be performed. Appropriate sample preservatives will be added to the sample containers by the contracted analytical laboratory prior to the delivery into the field, except in cases where the sample preservative must be added after sample collection. All samples that require cool storage will be immediately placed in coolers with appropriate packaging materials so as to protect

the breakage of sample containers during shipment. The sample coolers will be filled with cubed ice (no "Blue Ice") prior to leaving the sample collection location. In the instance that a local analytical laboratory is contracted, the samples will be hand delivered to the laboratory each sampling day. The chain-of-custody forms will be signed by the laboratory personnel picking up the samples and placed within the coolers. In the instance that an analytical laboratory is contracted which is not based locally and a common carrier is used for sample shipment, the chain-of-custody forms will be signed by the sampler and the carrier personnel and placed inside of the coolers. Careful packaging techniques will be used to prevent sample containers from breakage during shipment. Materials such as cardboard, foam wrap, or Styrofoam may be used as packaging materials. All samples will be delivered to the contracted analytical laboratory on the day they were collected and will be received by the laboratory within 24 hours of sample collection. The samples will be collected with sufficient time allowed at the end of the day for the analytical laboratory to properly process the sample chain-of-custody form.