



Department of
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FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Ellicott Station East
56-70 Ellicott Street
Batavia, NY 14020

SITE No. C819023

NYSDEC REGION 8

September 2020

Interim Remedial Measure Public Comment Period Announced

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

Richmond Memorial Library
Attn: Kathleen Facer
19 Ross Street
Batavia, NY 14020
585-343-9550

Online through the DECinfo Locator:
<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C819023/>

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

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), is announcing an expedited cleanup of contamination at the Ellicott Station East site ("site") located at 56-70 Ellicott Street, Batavia, Genesee County. Please see the map for the site location. NYSDEC is conducting a public comment period because this Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) is likely to represent a significant part of the cleanup for the site. The expedited cleanup activities are expected to begin during the fall of 2020 and coincide with the cleanup activities at the adjacent Ellicott Station BCP site C819021. Subsequent site construction of buildings and parking lots will follow which will be consistent with NYSDEC brownfield site guidelines. These activities will be performed by Ellicott Station LLC ("applicant") with oversight provided by NYSDEC to ensure protection of public health and the environment.

How to Comment: NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan for 30 days, from **September 23** through **October 23, 2020**.

- Access the draft IRM Work Plan and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator:
<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C819023/>.
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."
- Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area at left.

Draft Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) Work Plan: An IRM is a cleanup activity that may be performed when a source of contamination or exposure pathway (the way in which a person may contact contamination) can be effectively and more quickly addressed.

The draft IRM work plan describes upcoming cleanup activities that include:

- Removal of underground storage tanks (USTs) and associated contaminated soil;
- Removal of hydraulic lifts, drummed wastes, and aboveground storage tanks within the former auto service building;
- Cleaning and decommissioning an on-site oil/water separator;
- Excavation and off-site disposal of petroleum contaminated soils from the northern and central portions of the site;
- Collecting and analyzing end-point soil samples and post-remedial groundwater samples to evaluate the effectiveness of the remedy;

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- Importing clean materials that meet the commercial soil cleanup objective to backfill these excavations; and
- Implementing a Health and Safety Plan and Community Air Monitoring Plan during all ground-intrusive activities.

It is estimated that approximately 500 cubic yards of soil will be excavated and disposed of off-site.

Site Description: The Ellicott Station East site is located in an urban area within the central portion of the City of Batavia. The site is bounded by Ellicott Street to the north, Jackson Street to the east, the Ellicott Station site (C819021) to the west, and vacant real property to the south. The former Batavia MGP Site is located west of the site, which is currently managed under NYSDEC Site No. 819019.

The site is currently developed with an 11,611-square-foot vacant building. The property is currently zoned for commercial use. The remainder of the site contains parking areas and some vegetated areas.

The site was a lumber and/or coal yard from at least 1884 to at least 1948; a railroad depot from 1896 to at least 1954; and an automobile repair facility from approximately 1959 to 2015. Four underground storage tanks (USTs) are located beneath the eastern most portion of the site.

Summary of the Investigation: On-site soils are contaminated with petroleum compounds and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) from past site operations. On-site petroleum contamination in soil and groundwater was found in the eastern and central portions of the site. These contaminants are likely related to the four on-site USTs and previous site operations. PAHs are also commonly found in coal ash and driveway sealers.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C819023) at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/xtapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>

Next Steps: NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the plan as necessary, and approve the IRM work plan in consultation with the NYSDOH. The approved work plan will be made available to the public (see "Where to Find Information" on the front page).

When the expedited cleanup activities are completed, a Construction Completion Report will be prepared which documents the activities that were performed.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

Brownfield Cleanup Program: New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) encourages the voluntary cleanup of contaminated properties known as "brownfields" so that they can be reused and redeveloped. These uses may include recreation, housing, business or other uses. A brownfield site is any real property where a contaminant is present at levels exceeding the soil cleanup objectives or other health-based or environmental standards, criteria or guidance adopted by NYSDEC that are applicable based on the reasonably anticipated use of the property, in accordance with applicable regulations.

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

We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.

Stay Informed With DEC Delivers

Sign up to receive site updates by email:
www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

Note: Please disregard if you already have signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.

DECinfo Locator

Interactive map to access DEC documents and public data about the environmental quality of specific sites: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html>

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Site Location Map

Ellicott Station East Site
C819023
City of Batavia, New York

