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# **FACT SHEET**

# **Brownfield Cleanup Program - Off-site**

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**Site Name:** 690 Saint Paul Street - Off-Site

**DEC Site #:** C828159A

**Address:** 690 Saint Paul Street

Rochester, NY 14614

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## **Cleanup Action to Begin at Brownfield Site**

Action is about to begin that will address the contamination related to the 690 Saint Paul Street - Off-Site ("site") located at 690 Saint Paul Street, Rochester, Monroe County under New York State's Brownfield Cleanup Program. Please see the map for the site location.

Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be located at the location(s) identified below under "Where to Find Information." The cleanup activities will be performed by Bausch & Lomb (responsible party) with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC).

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's website at:

http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/haz/details.cfm?pageid=3&progno=C828159A

#### **Highlights of the Upcoming Cleanup Activities**

The goal of the cleanup action for the site is to achieve cleanup levels that protect public health and the environment.

The cleanup action for the site includes:

• Performing an interim remedial measure (IRM) to install a sub-slab ventilation system in at a property located west of the brownfield site. The sub-slab ventilation system will help prevent contaminant vapors from entering the building.

An IRM is a planned cleanup action that can be conducted without extensive investigation and evaluation. This IRM is not the final cleanup plan for the site.

Environmental investigations performed at the nearby 690 Saint Paul Street Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) site detected elevated levels of a chemical called trichloroethene (TCE) in the soil and groundwater. These investigations also indicated that the TCE was moving through the groundwater to the west. TCE is a volatile organic compound that is commonly used in industry to remove grease from parts.

Volatile organic compounds in the soil and groundwater may move into the soil vapor (air spaces within the soil), which in turn may move into overlying buildings and affect the indoor air quality. This process, which is similar to the movement of radon gas from the subsurface into the indoor air of buildings, is referred to as soil vapor intrusion.

In April 2017, soil vapor intrusion testing was performed by Bausch & Lomb at 6 locations inside the nearby building. Three locations were in the basement and 3 locations were in the sub-basement. TCE was detected in indoor air at 4 of the 6 locations at levels that are above New York State Department of Health guideline levels. As required by New York State law, the owner of the building notified tenants of the elevated results.

A sub-slab ventilation system will be installed at this location to address exposures from soil vapor intrusion. Sub-slab ventilation systems use fan-powered vents and piping to draw vapors from the soil beneath the building's slab and discharge them to the outdoor air above the building's roof. The system will include approximately 19 pipes that go through the floor of both the basement and sub-basement and connect to 2 fans on the roof. The system is designed to ventilate the entire area under the basement and sub-basement slabs.

Installation of the sub-slab ventilation system is scheduled to begin within the next 3 weeks. Construction is expected to take up to 3 months to complete. Indoor air monitoring will be performed during construction activities to verify that site related contaminants are not migrating into indoor air. Additional air testing will be completed throughout the basement and sub-basement once the system is operating to evaluate its effectiveness.

#### **Additional Information**

Bausch & Lomb is performing this cleanup action under an Order on Consent. Contamination impacting the off-site property appears to be coming from the 690 Saint Paul Street BCP site. The 690 Saint Paul Street property is in the Brownfield Cleanup Program and is being cleaned up by the current owner who is not responsible for the contamination.

The 690 Saint Paul Street site is located in an urban area in the City of Rochester, Monroe County, just north of the intersection of Saint Paul Street and Upper Falls Boulevard. From around 1920 until the late 1960s, the property was owned and operated by Bausch & Lomb to manufacture lenses and other products.

#### **Next Steps**

After it completes the cleanup activities, the responsible party will prepare a Construction Completion Report. The Construction Completion Report will describe the cleanup activities completed and certify that cleanup requirements have been achieved or will be achieved.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the 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 include recreation, housing, business or other uses.

**Offsite Contamination:** For Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) sites where the work is being performed by a non-responsible party (volunteer), the volunteer is not required to investigate or remediate contamination which may have migrated offsite. If contamination migrates offsite, and the site is considered a significant threat to public health and/or the environment, the remedial program is performed by NYSDEC or a responsible party (6 NYCRR Part 375-1.11(c)).

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

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

#### Where to Find Information

Project documents are available at the following location(s) to help the public stay informed.

Central Library of Rochester and Monroe Rochester City School District Offices

County 131 W Broad St

115 South Avenue Rochester, NY 14614-1187 Rochester, NY 14604-1896 phone: (585) 262-8100

phone: (585) 428-7300

Phillis Wheatley Community Library
33 Dr. Samuel McCree Way
Rochester, NY 14608
phone: (585) 428-8212
Lincoln Branch Library
851 Joseph Avenue
Rochester, NY 14621
phone: (585) 428-8210

#### **Who to Contact**

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

#### Project Related Questions Site-Related Health Questions

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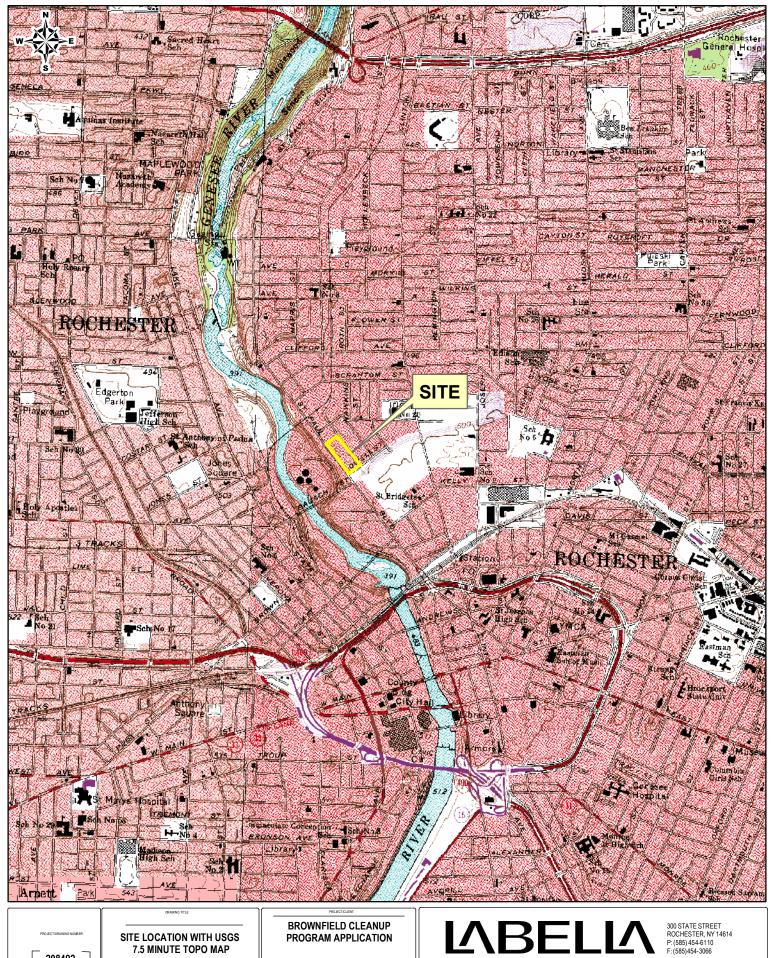
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