



FACT SHEET

Environmental Cleanup to Begin at the Scott Rotary Seals Site in the City of Olean

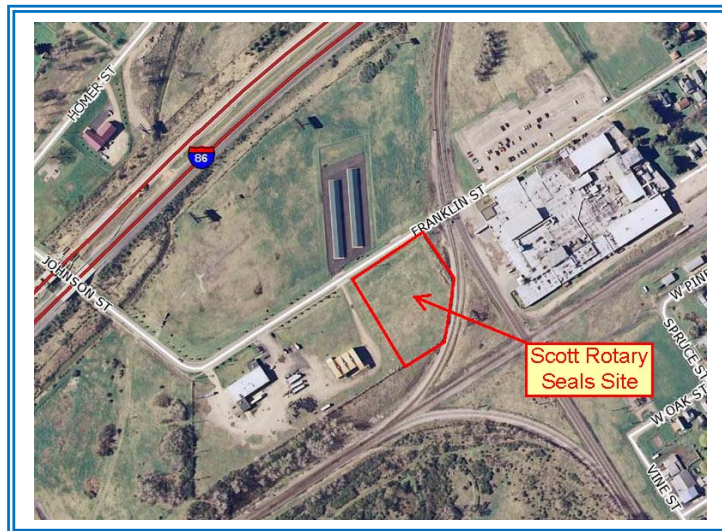
Brownfield Cleanup Program

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Introduction

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) would like to inform you that environmental cleanup activities are scheduled to begin at the Scott Rotary Seals site located at 301 Franklin Street in the City of Olean, Cattaraugus County (see map for site location). The site cleanup plan proposes an environmental action, called an Interim Remedial Measure (IRM), in response to an ongoing environmental investigation at the site. An IRM can be conducted relatively quickly to address obvious issues at the site and minimize environmental and health risks. Previous industrial use of the site for petroleum refining, storage and distribution has impacted the soil and groundwater with volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) and metals.



Site Location Map

Cleanup work at the site will be performed under New York State's Brownfield Cleanup Program. The BCP provides existing or potential property owners financial incentives to promote the voluntary cleanup, redevelopment and revival of brownfield sites. More information about the BCP is available on the NYSDEC website at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html>.

Are People Exposed to Contamination?

There are no immediate health impacts from the site to the surrounding area. Contamination typically increases with depth below ground surface. Therefore, unauthorized excavation would increase the risk of exposure to site contaminants. Surrounding businesses and homes are serviced by a public water supply and exposure to contaminated groundwater is unlikely.

What Will the Upcoming Cleanup Work Involve?

The upcoming IRM cleanup work will address immediate environmental concerns presented by contamination at the site. Under the oversight of DEC, upcoming IRM cleanup activities will include:

- Tracing and removing known subsurface piping, and disposing liquid contents, if present;
- Exploratory trenching for additional abandoned piping. If encountered, such piping will be traced and removed in a similar manner to the known piping;
- Removing former aboveground storage tank (AST) foundation(s) and related concrete structures and piping;
- Characterizing existing soil/fill piles for potential re-use; and
- Removing and disposing soil/fill piles not suitable for reuse.

The IRM work is anticipated to begin in March 2011.

Next Steps

A final remedy for the site is being developed concurrent with implementation of the IRM. The details of the final remedy will be described in a Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP). NYSDEC will consider public comments

before it approves the RAWP. The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) accepted the IRM work plan and must concur in the approval of the RAWP. The public will also be given the opportunity to comment on the RAWP. NYSDEC will keep the public informed during the cleanup and redevelopment process of the Scott Rotary Seal site through fact sheets similar to this one.

Site Background

The Scott Rotary Seals site is comprised of an approximate 2-acre parcel of vacant land located in a historic heavy industrial area of the City of Olean. The parcel contains no buildings and is bound by railroad tracks to the south and east and former industrial properties to the north and west. Several debris piles containing brick, concrete, metal, and piping apparently associated with former ASTs, are currently present at the Site.

The Site was historically a portion of a larger petroleum refinery and petroleum bulk storage facility commonly known as the Socony-Vacuum facility. The Site historically contained at least eight ASTs.

Who Should I Call If I Have Questions About the Site?

Site-Related Environmental Questions

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Locations to View Project Documents:

To keep you informed, NYSDEC has set up two locations at which you may view site-related project documents. These locations include:

Olean Public Library

134 N. 2nd Street

Olean, NY 14760-2583

Phone: (716) 372-0200

Hours: Mon. – Thurs., 9:00am – 9:00pm

Friday, 9:00am – 6:00pm

Saturday, 10:00am – 5:00pm

Sunday, 1:00pm – 4:00pm

NYSDEC Region 9 Office

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Phone: (716) 851-7220

Hours: M-F 8:30am-4:45pm

(Please call for appointment)

Project documents are also available on the DEC website at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/72432.html>.

Receive Site Fact Sheets by Email

NYSDEC invites you to sign up with one or more contaminated sites county email listservs available at the following web page: www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html.

It's *quick*, it's *free*, and it will help keep you *better informed*.

As a listserv member, you will periodically receive site-related information/announcements for all contaminated sites in the county(ies) you select.

You may continue also to receive paper copies of site information for a time after you sign up with a county listserv, until the transition to electronic distribution is complete.

