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Access project documents through the
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<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C905047/>
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For more information about New York's
Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit:
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FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

351 Franklin Street Site

351 Franklin Street
Olean, NY 14760

SITE No. C905047

NYSDEC REGION 9

April 2022

Remedy Proposed for Brownfield Site Contamination; Public Comment Period Announced

The public is invited to comment on a proposed remedy being reviewed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), to address contamination related to the 351 Franklin Street Site ("site") located at 351 Franklin Street, Olean, Cattaraugus County. Please see the map for the site location.

Based on the findings of the investigation, NYSDEC in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) has determined that the site does not pose a significant threat to public health or the environment.

How to Comment: NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan, called a "Remedial Investigation/Alternatives Analysis Report (RI/AAR)" for 45 days, from **April 6 through May 21, 2022**.

- Access the RI/AAR and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C905047/>.
- 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 Remedial Work Plan: The proposed Track 4 – Commercial Use remedy consists of:

- Demolition of one existing building to provide access to contaminated soil below the building;
- Excavation and on-site reuse below the cover of approximately 8,600 cubic yards of surface soil that does not meet commercial use soil cleanup objectives (SCOs);
- Excavation and off-site disposal of approximately 8,400 cubic yards or in-situ solidification of grossly contaminated soil in the subsurface. A pre-design investigation will be completed to determine the volume of soil requiring in-situ solidification;
- Removal and recycling of former on-site process piping encountered during remedial excavation. Any pipe residuals will be removed from the pipes and disposed of off-site;
- Importing clean material that meets the established SCOs for use as backfill;
- Placement of a cover system, including a demarcation layer over areas without hardscape (buildings, asphalt or concrete) to address contamination remaining above commercial use SCOs;

- Implementation of a Site Management Plan (SMP) for long-term maintenance of the remedial systems; and
- Recording of an Environmental Easement to ensure proper use of the site.

The proposed remedy was developed by 351 Franklin Street LLC and PSF of WNY, LLC (“applicants”) after performing a detailed investigation of the site under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). The results of the site investigation was submitted concurrently with the alternatives analysis (RI/AAR) and is also available for review at the locations identified on Page 1.

Next Steps: NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the cleanup plan as necessary, and issue a final Decision Document. NYSDOH must concur with the proposed remedy. After approval, the proposed remedy becomes the selected remedy. The applicant(s) may then design and perform the cleanup action to address the site contamination, with oversight by NYSDEC and NYSDOH.

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

Site Description: The 6.26-acre site is bordered by Franklin Street to the northwest, industrial properties to the north/northeast, railroad to the south/east, and industrial properties to the west/southwest. The site is approximately 450 feet southeast of Two Mile Creek, a tributary to the Allegheny River. It is currently developed with two buildings. The western building is used for vehicle maintenance by First Transit, Inc. The eastern building is currently unoccupied and was most recently used by a moving company. Previously, the site had been used for oil refining and storage as part of the larger SOCONY-Vacuum refinery from approximately 1876 to 1954. Subsequently, the site was used for grain storage, various commercial operations, or was vacant.

The western building is planned to remain at the site and continue operation as a vehicle maintenance shop. A new metal fabricating business is planned to be constructed on the eastern portion of the site after remediation is completed.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C905047) at:

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

Summary of the Investigation: The primary contaminants of concern at the site are petroleum-related volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), and arsenic which are present site-wide in soil. Petroleum VOCs are also present to a lesser extent in groundwater. Petroleum product has been identified in subsurface soil and on top of the water table in three of the groundwater monitoring wells and in subsurface soil observed during test pit investigations.

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 DEC that are applicable based on the reasonably anticipated use of the property, in accordance with applicable regulations.

For more information about the BCP, visit:

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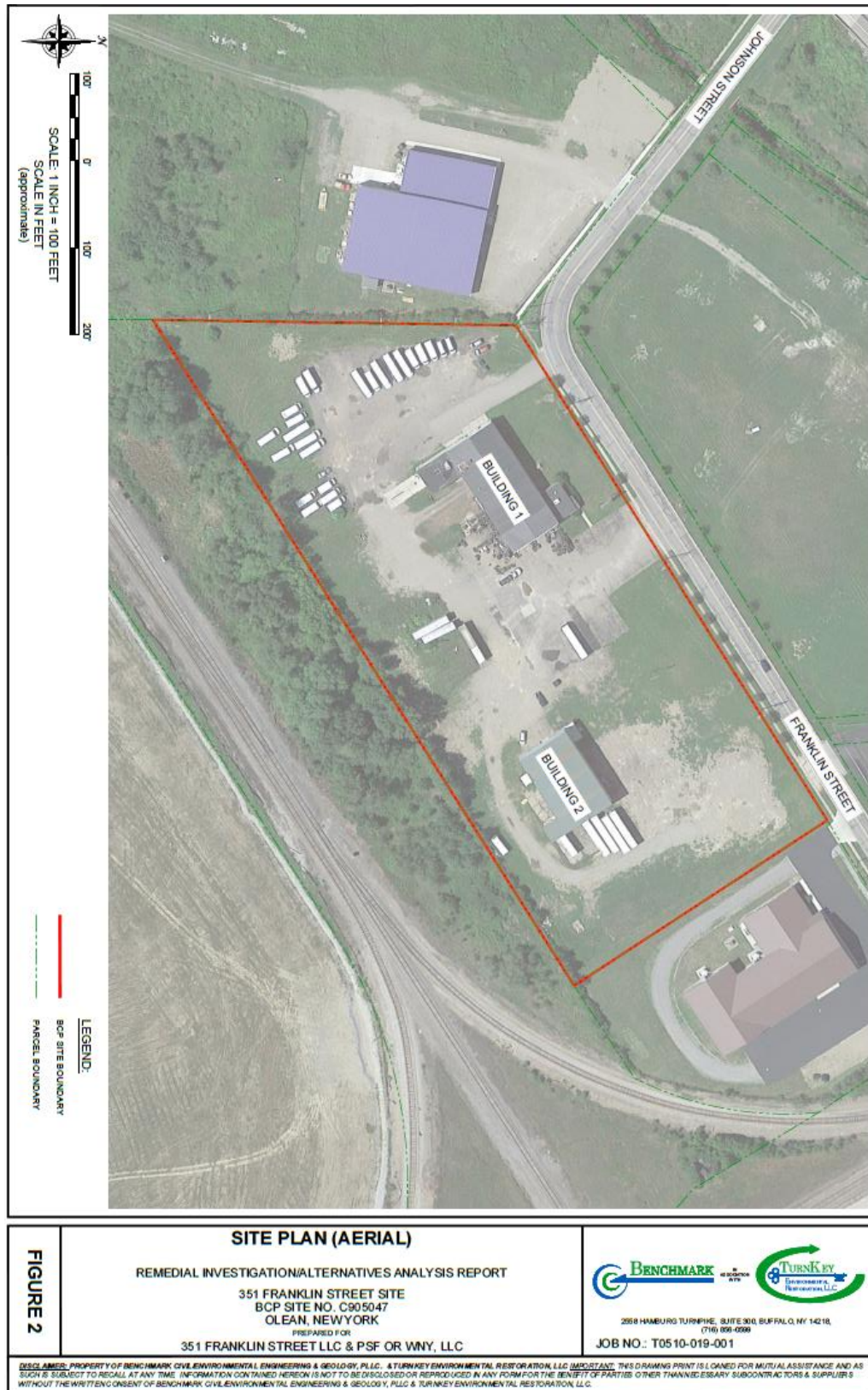
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Interactive map to access DEC documents and public data about the environmental quality of specific sites: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html>

BROWNFIELD CLEANUP PROGRAM

Site Location





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