

Site II-14 Tecumseh Phase II Business Park



Department of
Environmental
Conservation

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Site No. C915198N

Lackawanna, Erie County

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Cleanup Action Completed at Brownfield Site

Action has been completed to address the contamination related to the Site II-14 Tecumseh Phase II Business Park site ("site") located at 2303 Hamburg Turnpike, Lackawanna, Erie County under New York State's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). Please see the map for the site location.

Cleanup activities were performed by the Buffalo and Erie County Industrial Land Development Corporation ("applicant") with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). The applicant has submitted a proposed Final Engineering Report (FER) for NYSDEC review which states that cleanup requirements have been or will be achieved to fully protect public health and the environment for the proposed site use.

- Access the approved FER and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C915198N/>.
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified under "Where to Find Information."

Highlights of the Site Cleanup

The following activities have been or will shortly be completed to achieve the remedial action objectives:

- Site Cover System - The new development will maintain a site cover, which consists of pavement and sidewalks comprising the site development and a 1-foot clean soil cover in landscaped areas. The soil cover was placed over a demarcation layer, with the upper 6 inches of the soil of sufficient quality to maintain a vegetation layer.
- Development of a Site Management Plan (SMP) for long-term management of residual contamination as required by the Environmental Easement, including plans for: (1) Institutional and Engineering Controls (IC/ECs); (2) monitoring; (3) operation and maintenance; and (4) reporting.
- An Environmental Easement was recorded to prevent future exposure to any contamination remaining at the site and to ensure implementation of the SMP.

Next Steps

When NYSDEC approves the FER, it will be made available to the public (see "Where to Find Information"). NYSDEC then will issue a Certificate of Completion (COC) that will be announced in a fact sheet. The applicant(s) would be able to redevelop the site after receiving a COC. In addition, the applicant(s) will be eligible for tax credits to offset a portion of the costs of performing cleanup activities and for redevelopment of the site.

Site Description

The 2.2-acre site is located at 2303 Hamburg Turnpike (NYS Route 5) in the city of Lackawanna, Erie County. The site is developed with the Dona Street extension (west of the Hamburg Turnpike). The site was formerly part of Bethlehem Steel Company's steel making operations. Steel production at the site was discontinued in 1983. Specific processes performed on or proximate to the site included cold saws,

craneways, spreading beds, and a welfare building. Dona Street consists of the roadway, sidewalk, a clean utility corridor and vegetated right of way.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C915198N) at:

<https://appfactory.dec.ny.gov/DERExternalSearch/ERDSearch>

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:

<https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/site-cleanup/brownfield-and-state-superfund-programs/brownfield>

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<https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/site-cleanup/regional-remediation-project-information/environmental-cleanup-email-newsletters>

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: <https://dec.ny.gov/maps/interactive-maps/decinfo-locator>

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WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator and at these location(s):
<https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C915198N/>

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Site Location





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