



# FACT SHEET

## Brownfield Cleanup Program

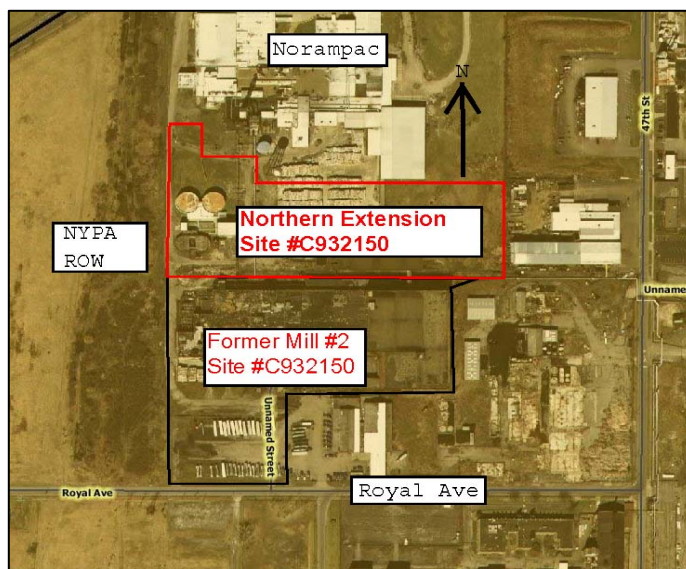
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**Greenpac Mill**  
**Site #C932150**  
**Niagara Falls, NY**

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### Investigation Work Plan and Interim Remedial Measures Work Plans Approved for Brownfield Site in Niagara Falls

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) is pleased to inform you that it has approved Greenpac Mill LLC’s Soil Excavation Interim Remedial Measure (“IRM”) Work Plan for the Former Mill No. 2 as well as the Northern Extension Remedial Investigation (RI) Work Plan and Northern Extension IRM Work Plan. These Work Plans were submitted as part of a Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP) for the Project Site, located at 4001 Packard Road in Niagara Falls, Niagara County. The Northern Extension is an expansion of the original boundary of the Former Mill No. 2 approved BCP site. Past industrial activities at the site may have contaminated the soil and groundwater at the property. Ongoing environmental investigations at the property will assess the contamination levels at the site. The Work Plans were subject to 45-day comment periods. These comment periods have expired. No comments were received on any of the Plans.



#### Description of the Soil Excavation IRM Work Plan

The IRM Work Plan describes the excavation of soil in areas of the new proposed building foundations or in isolated hotspots outside the new building foundation. The majority of soil within the proposed building foundation footprint will be excavated to the top of the bedrock. A portion of the proposed building foundation excavation will leave soil behind that will exceed the industrial soil cleanup objectives. These soil areas will be covered by the new building or by at least one foot of soil that meets the industrial soil cleanup objectives. Based on the available RI data, excavated soil will either be disposed off-site at an appropriate disposal facility or reused on-site or at an acceptable off-site location.

**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** is any real property that is difficult to reuse or redevelop because of the presence or potential presence of contamination.

For more information about the BCP, visit:  
[www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html)

### **Description of the Northern Extension RI and IRM Work Plans**

The RI Work Plan identifies the activities and tasks associated with the investigation anticipated in the Northern Expansion area of the site located on the Norampac property off of Packard Rd. in the City of Niagara Falls.

The IRM work plan describes the demolition of Building 10 and Waste Water Pretreatment Building necessary to complete the RI of the site and to make way for new construction.

### **What is the Next Step?**

After the building demolition is completed and it is safe to work in the area, the RI will be completed that will assess the environmental conditions at the site and provide data sufficient for an Alternatives Analysis Report (AAR) that covers the entire site. If IRMs other than soil excavation are identified during the RI, an additional IRM work plan(s) will be prepared and presented for public comment. The RI and building demolition IRM for the Northern Extension will be conducted concurrently with the Former Mill No. 2 work. One report will be prepared that will present the results of RI and IRM site work as well as the results of the remedial alternatives analysis.

The NYSDEC will notify the public about future site developments through fact sheets similar to this one.

### **Background**

The Former Mill No. 2 and the Northern Extension are located in a highly industrial urban area of Niagara Falls. This area historically housed paper manufacturing, finishing and packaging operations of finished goods and as is the case with the Former Mill No. 2 area, is now occupied by Norampac. The Northern Extension includes Building No. 10 which is a five-story masonry and concrete structure that was originally built around 1936 as a warehouse for finished goods, and the waste water pre-treatment building which was constructed in 1940 to serve the former Mill No. 2 and continues to serve the active Norampac Mill No. 1.

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

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

#### **Project Related Questions**

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The public may view project documents at two locations, including:

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1425 Main Street  
Niagara Falls, New York 14304  
Phone: (716) 283-8309

NYSDEC Region 9 Office  
270 Michigan Avenue  
Buffalo, New York 14203  
Phone: (716) 851-7220  
(Please call for appointment)

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