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DEC's Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) now distributes information about contaminated sites electronically by email.

If you would like to continue to receive information about the contaminated site featured in this fact sheet:

You must sign up for the DER email listserv:

www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

DER cannot register your email address - only the email address owner can do so. If you already have signed up for the listserv for the county in which the site is located, you need do nothing.



Why You Should Go “Paperless”:

- Get site information faster and share it easily;
- Receive information about all sites in a chosen county - read what you want, delete the rest;
- It helps the environment and stretches your tax dollars.

If “paperless” is not an option for you, call or write to the DER project manager identified in this fact sheet. Indicate that you need to receive paper copies of fact sheets through the Postal Service. Include the site name in your correspondence. The option to receive paper is available to individuals only. Groups, organizations, businesses, and government entities are assumed to have email access.



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FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Former Military Road School
4185 Military Road
Niagara, NY 14305

October 2020

SITE No. C932175
NYSDEC REGION 9

Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator
<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C932175/>
and at these location(s):

Niagara Falls Public Library
1425 Main Street
Niagara Falls, NY 14305
(716) 286-4894

Who to Contact

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

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For more information about New York's
Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit:
www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

Draft Investigation Work Plan for Brownfield Site Available for Public Comment

The public is invited to comment on a draft work plan being reviewed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) to investigate the Former Military Road School site ("site") located at 4185 Military Road, Niagara, Niagara County. Please see the map for the site location.

Draft Investigation Work Plan: The draft investigation work plan, called a "Remedial Investigation Work Plan," (RIWP) was submitted to NYSDEC under New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program. The investigation will be performed by 4185 Military Road, Inc. ("applicant(s)") with oversight by NYSDEC and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH).

How to Comment: NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the Draft RIWP for 30 days, from **October 21 through November 20, 2020**.

- Access the RIWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C932175/>.
- 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.

Highlights of the Proposed Site Investigation: The investigation will define the nature and extent of contamination in soil, surface water, groundwater and any other parts of the environment that may be affected.

Previous investigations have detected semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) and metals in soil, and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in groundwater on-site.

Key components of the investigation work include:

- Geophysical survey to locate possible underground storage tanks (USTs);
- Installing and sampling soil borings and test pits to identify possible on-site sources of contamination;
- Collecting soil vapor, sub-slab soil vapor and indoor air samples; and
- Installing and sampling groundwater wells to monitor impacts from areas of concern both on-site and off-site.

Next Steps: NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the plan as necessary, and approve the work plan. NYSDOH must concur with the plan. After the work plan is approved, the activities detailed in the work plan will be implemented.

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When the investigation is completed, a report will be prepared and submitted to NYSDEC that summarizes the results. NYSDEC will review the report, make any necessary revisions and, if appropriate, approve the report.

After the investigation, a proposed cleanup plan, called a "Draft Remedial Work Plan" will be developed. The cleanup plan will include an evaluation of the proposed site remedy or recommend a no action or no further action alternative. The goal of the cleanup plan is to ensure the protection of public health and the environment. NYSDEC will present the proposed cleanup plan to the public for its review and comment during a 45-day comment period.

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

Site Description: The site is approximately 4.1-acres and is located at 4185 Military Road in the Town of Niagara. The western portion of the site is developed with a two-story building formerly used as a school from 1940 to 1993. The eastern portion of the site is undeveloped. Since 1993 the site has been vacant. The site is bordered Military Road to the west, commercial property to the north and east, and a utility right-of-way to the south and east. The proposed future use of the site consists of a senior living campus development.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C932175) at:

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

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://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html>

We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.

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<https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html>

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://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html>

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Site Location

