#### NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF



# ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

This Fact Sheet is provided to inform the Public of activities occurring at this site. If you have any questions or would like further information about the Remedial Investigation, please do not hesitate to contact:

### Mr. Randy Hough Project Manager

NYSDEC 625 Broadway Albany, NY 12233 (518) 402-9818

or

For site related health questions, please contact the NYSDOH's representative:

## Ms. Tamara Girard Public Health Specialist II

NYSDOH Flanigan Square 547 River Street Troy, New York 12180

# **FACT SHEET**

### **Environmental Restoration Program**

HENRY JOHNSON BOULEVARD PROPERTIES
Site # E401049
City of Albany

**Remedial Investigation Work Plan Available** 

#### Introduction

The NYSDEC and NYSDOH have approved a Remedial Investigation/Alternative Analysis (RI/AA) Work Plan submitted by the City of Albany and the Albany Community Development Agency (ACDA) under the Environmental Restoration Program (ERP), for the Henry Johnson Boulevard Properties site (see map). The City of Albany has plans to develop the site for restricted commercial/retail purposes. The RI/AA will be conducted by the ACDA, with oversight by the NYSDEC and NYSDOH. The remedial investigation is expected to begin in early 2006 and continue through the

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#### The 1996 Clean Water / Clean Air Bond Act established a \$200 million Environmental Restoration Projects fund. The purpose of the Environmental Restoration

Program is to provide grants to municipalities for the investigation and/or remediation of municipally owned properties known or suspected to be contaminated with hazardous substances or petroleum.

#### BACKGROUND

The Henry Johnson Boulevard Properties consists of 10 individual parcels and contains areas of non-contiguous properties. Historical records indicate that the site area was developed as mixed commercial and residential properties over the years. A vehicle maintenance, repair, and refueling facility was operated at one property from approximately 1934 through 1990. Prior investigations determined that the soil and groundwater media have been contaminated above applicable Standards, Criteria, and Guidance by petroleum products, chlorinated solvents and metals. The previous site investigation activities included surface soil, subsurface soil, and groundwater sampling and analysis.

The City of Albany, through the Albany Community Development Agency, wishes to cleanup the site so that its redevelopment plans, as commercial/retail properties, including a World War I Veterans Museum, can move forward. Thus, the City of Albany, in November of 2004, submitted an Environmental Restoration Program Application for Investigation of the site.

#### Highlights of the Upcoming Remedial Investigation

- installation of groundwater monitoring wells and soil vapor monitoring points į
- define the nature and extent of the contamination in soil, groundwater and any other impacted media;
- assess the impact of any contamination on the public health and/or environment;
- the investigation will included examination of both the on and off-site areas; and
- perform Interim Remedial Measures if warranted į
- į produce data for remedial decision making, which supports the development and evaluation of remedial alternatives to address the site contamination.

When the remedial investigation is complete, a list of cleanup alternatives will be developed and evaluated in an Alternatives Analysis. The Alternatives Analysis will conclude with a recommended cleanup plan. The public will be provided with an opportunity to review and comment on the cleanup plan, called a Proposed Remedial Action Plan, before it is approved.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Public understanding and involvement are crucial to the success of New York's environmental remedial programs. To provide you with more detailed information, the NYSDEC has placed site documents in repositories in your community. The document repositories for the Henry Johnson Boulevard Properties Site are:

#### Albany Public Library (Main Branch)

Albany Community Development Agency

161 Washington Avenue

200 Henry Johnson Boulevard Albany, NY Albany, NY or

Hours: Hours: Mon -Fri: 8:30am-5pm

Mon -Thurs: 9am-9pm Fri: 9am - 6pm Sat: 9am-5pm

Sun: 1pm - 5pm 518-427-4300 Contact: Main Desk

In addition, questions, concerns or comments regarding environmental aspects of the site can be addressed by contacting Mr. Randy Hough, Project Manager, at (518) 4021-9818.

For site related health concerns feel free to contact the New York State Department of Health's representative, Ms. Tamara Girard, Public Health Specialist, at (518) 402-7860.

If you know someone who would like to be added to the project mailing list, have them contact the NYSDEC project manager above. 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.