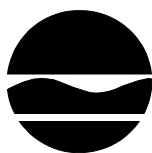


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For Further Information:

We hope this Fact Sheet will help brief you on activities at this site. If you have any questions or would like further information about the Site Investigation, please do not hesitate to contact:

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Project Manager
NYSDEC
270 Michigan Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14203
(716) 851-7220

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Mr. Michael Podd
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270 Michigan Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14203
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For site related health questions, please contact:

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FACT SHEET

ZURBRICK ROAD - CAYUGA CREEK VOLUNTARY CLEANUP PROGRAM

Site # V00609-9

June 2003

INTRODUCTION

The Village of Depew, in cooperation with the New York State Departments of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and Health (NYSDOH), will be conducting an environmental investigation of a one-acre site across Cayuga Creek from Zurbrick Road (see drawing). The work will be done under New York State's Voluntary Cleanup Program. The investigation is expected to take place during the month of June, 2003.



BACKGROUND

The site to be investigated is located along the banks of Cayuga Creek, immediately adjacent to land that was formerly the Village of Depew landfill. The landfill was located on the tip of a peninsula of Cayuga Creek, north of Zurbrick Road. The landfill operated from 1940 to 1961 and accepted ash from the municipal waste incinerator. Erie County purchased a large portion of the landfill property in 1983, removed 60,000 cubic yards of the municipal waste, and constructed the current Overflow Retention Facility.

The landfill was previously listed in the NYSDEC's Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Sites; however, the site was later removed from this list when no documented evidence of significant hazardous waste disposal could be found.

In 2001, the US Army Corps of Engineers sampled soils from the site as part of a stream bank stabilization project and found concentrations of lead above typical background levels. Ash and debris were also observed. The Corps of Engineers suspended work pending delineation of the contamination.

UPCOMING ENVIRONMENTAL INVESTIGATION

The investigation will include:

- a review of relevant federal, state and local records (e.g. historical aerial photos and fire insurance maps) to learn more about the historical use of the property;
- a survey of the property boundaries and ground elevations, to accurately map the locations of sample points;
- excavation of several test pits to determine the type and layering of waste, fill and soil on the site;
- collection and testing of environmental samples to delineate the extent of the contamination;
- preparation of a Site Investigation Report summarizing all of these site activities, analytical results and findings.

A Remediation Plan will be included in the Site Investigation Report, describing the type of cleanup that might be required. The report will also identify any impacts to the pending stream bank stabilization project. The Remediation Plan will present a list of cleanup alternatives, and an evaluation of those alternatives. The public will be provided an opportunity to review and comment on the cleanup plan before it is implemented.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Public understanding and involvement are crucial to the success of New York's hazardous waste remedial program. To provide you with more detailed information, the NYSDEC has placed site documents in a repository in your community so you can read them. The document repositories for the Zurbrick Road Site are :

Village of Depew
Municipal Building
85 Manitou Street
Depew, NY 14043

or

NYSDEC Buffalo Office
270 Michigan Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14203
For an appointment contact
David Locey at (716) 851-7220

In addition, questions, concerns or comments regarding **environmental aspects of the site** can be addressed by contacting Mr. David Locey, Project Manager, at (716) 851-7220.

For **site related health concerns** feel free to contact the New York State Department of Health's Mr. Matt Forcucci, Public Health Specialist, at (716) 847-4385.

ABOUT THE VOLUNTARY CLEANUP PROGRAM

The Voluntary Cleanup Program was developed to enhance private sector cleanup of properties by enabling businesses to remediate sites using private rather than public funds, and to reduce the development pressures on "greenfield" sites. Under the Program, a volunteer agrees to investigate and remediate a site to a level which is protective of public health and the environment for the present or intended use of the property. Investigation and remediation is carried out under the oversight of NYSDEC and NYSDOH. When the volunteer completes the work, the State provides a release from State liability for the work done, returning the site to productive use. For more information regarding New York State's Voluntary Cleanup Program, please visit the Department's web site at: <http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/der/vcp/index.html>