

251 Walsh Road

State Superfund Program

Site No. 336077

New Windsor, Orange County



Department of
Environmental
Conservation

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Cleanup Proposed for State Superfund Site; Public Comment Period and Public Meeting Announced

Public Meeting, Wednesday 11/19/2025 at 6:00 PM

Town of New Windsor Community Center, 555 Union Ave, New Windsor, NY 12553

NYSDEC invites you to a public meeting to discuss the cleanup plan proposed for the site. You are encouraged to provide comments at the meeting, and during the 30-day comment period described in this fact sheet.

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The public is invited to comment on a proposed cleanup plan by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), to address contamination related to the 251 Walsh Road site ("site") located at 251 Walsh Avenue, New Windsor, Orange County. Please see the map for the site location. The estimated cost to implement the cleanup is \$50,000.

How to Comment

NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan, called a Proposed Remedial Action Plan (PRAP) for 30 days, from **November 5, 2025** through **December 5, 2025**.

- Access the PRAP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/336077/>
- Documents also are available at the locations identified under "Where to Find Information."
- Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Contact Information" area.

The site is listed as a Class "2" site in the State Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Sites (list of State Superfund sites). A Class 2 site represents a significant threat to public health or the environment; action is required. NYSDEC is proposing the following cleanup to address these threats.

Proposed Remedial Action Plan

The proposed cleanup for the site includes:

- Continued on-site monitoring of natural attenuation (MNA) with institutional controls;
- Implementing a Health and Safety Plan and Community Air Monitoring Plan during all ground intrusive activities;
- Implementing a Site Management Plan (SMP) for long term maintenance; and
- Recording of an Environmental Easement to ensure proper use.

NYSDEC developed the proposed cleanup after reviewing the detailed investigation of the site and evaluating the cleanup options in the "Feasibility Study" submitted under New York's State Superfund Program by the State's standby engineering contractor.

Next Steps

NYSDEC will consider public comments as it finalizes the cleanup for the site. The selected cleanup plan will be described in a document called a "Record of Decision" that will explain why the plan was selected and respond to public comments.

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

Site Description

251 Walsh Road is located at the northeast corner of Walsh Avenue and John Street. The site is located in a mixed-use industrial, commercial, and residential area. The site contains one 18,000 square foot building centrally located on the property. The remainder of the property is mostly paved with some minor landscaping in the front of the building. The site slopes gently to the north but drops off rapidly along the northern boundary. Site drainage flows overland northward towards the adjacent property and then to Quassaic Creek, which is located 1,000 feet to the north of the site. The property is currently zoned industrial.

The facility manufactured electronic components between the 1940s and the 1970s. The electronic parts were reportedly cleaned with solvents. Solvents were reportedly stored on-site in a shed that was located on the north side of the building. NYSDEC completed this investigation using contractors it retained with state superfund monies, as potentially responsible parties were unable or unwilling to perform this work.

The site is planned to be clean up to a commercial use standard, consistent with the current site use and zoning.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, 336077) at:

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

Summary of the Investigation

Investigation on-site and off-site was conducted to determine the nature and extent of contamination in soil, groundwater, soil vapor, sediment, and surface water. The contaminants of concern at this site are chlorinated volatile organic compounds (CVOCs) which were used as cleaning solvents in metal parts manufacturing. Soils are not widely contaminated and there is no direct exposure pathway to impacted soils. The extent of groundwater CVOCs contamination is localized to the north and west of the on-site building and is delineated. Mitigation of the on-site building is not required and there were no off-site soil vapor impacts. Sediment and surface water in the Quassic Creek were not impacted by site contaminants. The Feasibility Study evaluated the threat posed by the CVOCs in groundwater and recommended Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA) as the selected remedy.

State Superfund Program

New York's State Superfund Program (SSF) identifies and characterizes suspected inactive hazardous waste disposal sites. Sites that pose a significant threat to public health and/or the environment go through a process of investigation, evaluation, cleanup and monitoring.

NYSDEC attempts to identify parties responsible for site contamination before committing State funds for investigation and cleanup.

For more information about the SSF, visit:

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

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Sign up to receive site updates by email:

<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 locations:
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Howland Public Library

313 Main Street
Beacon NY 12508
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Site Location





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