

Hamilton Hill Revitalization – Anchor Site



Department of
Environmental
Conservation

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Site No. C447055

Schenectady, Schenectady County

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Proposed Interim Remedial Measure

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), is proposing an expedited cleanup of contamination, as an Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) at the Hamilton Hill Revitalization – Anchor Site (“Site”) located at 750 State Street, Schenectady, Schenectady County. Please see the map for the Site location. DEC is conducting a public comment period because this IRM is likely to represent a significant part of the cleanup for the Site. The planned IRM activities are expected to begin in November 2026 and last about four months. The activities will be performed by Albany State Street Limited Partnership (“Volunteer”) with oversight provided by DEC.

How to Comment

DEC is accepting written comments about the proposed IRM plan for 30 days, from **October 13** through **November 12, 2026**.

- Access the Draft IRM Work Plan and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C447055/>.
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified under “Where to Find Information.”
- Please submit comments to the DEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the “Contact Information” area.

Draft Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) Work Plan

An IRM is a cleanup activity that may be performed when a source of contamination or exposure pathway (the way in which a person may contact contamination) can be effectively addressed without extensive investigation and evaluation.

The draft IRM work plan describes proposed cleanup activities that include:

- Removing Underground Storage Tanks;
- Collecting and analyzing post excavation soil samples to evaluate the effectiveness of the IRMs;
- Removal of a concrete Aboveground Storage Tank;
- Removal of impacted material, if present, in the area of three stormwater catch basins;
- Importing clean material that meets the established Soil Cleanup Objectives for use as backfill, and;
- Implement a Health and Safety Plan and Community Air Monitoring Plan during all ground intrusive activities.

Next Steps

DEC will consider public comments, revise the plan as necessary, and approve the IRM work plan in consultation with the New York State Department of Health. The approved work plan will be made available to the public (see “How to Comment” on this page).

When the expedited cleanup activities are completed, a Construction Completion Report will be prepared that documents the activities that were performed.

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

Site Description

The primary contaminants of concern at the site are volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) and metals, which are present site-wide in soil and groundwater.

The 2.464-acres site is bordered on the west by Albany Street, on the south by 771 Albany Street, on the east by State Street and on the north by 738 State Street. The site is covered mostly by an asphalt parking lot, with smaller sections that contain gravel and grassy areas. Previously, the site had been used as an auto sales, services and repair facility, which included a lacquer (paint) spraying shop. The auto repair facility closed in March of 2022, and the site is currently unoccupied.

The planned redevelopment includes a one-story grocery store, and a four-story multi-family residential building with a playground. The multi-family residential building is proposed to include up to 85 affordable housing units. Both buildings will contain onsite parking, and the residential building will include a subgrade (beneath the building) parking garage.

Additional Site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on DEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C447055) at:

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

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

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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 location(s):
<https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C447055/>

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Site Location





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