

Hamilton Hill Revitalization – Anchor Site



Department of
Environmental
Conservation

Brownfield Cleanup Program

Site No. C447055

Schenectady, Schenectady County

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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 Hamilton Hill Revitalization – Anchor site (“site”) located at 750 State Street, Schenectady, Schenectady 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 Albany State Street Limited Partnership (“applicant”) 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 **September 2 through October 2, 2026**.

- Access the RIWP 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 NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the “Contact Information” area.

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

Key components of the investigation work include:

- Drilling and sampling soil borings to identify possible on-site sources of contamination;
- Collecting soil vapor; and
- Installing and sampling ground water monitoring wells to monitor impacts from areas of concern.

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.

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 Action Work Plan" will be developed. The cleanup plan will include an evaluation of the proposed site actions, 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 2.464 acres and 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. Most of the site includes 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 NYSDEC'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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<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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