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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/C828231//>

### Rochester Public Library – Winton Branch

611 Winton Road North  
Rochester, NY 14609

### New York State Department of Environmental Conservation – Region 8

6272 East Avon-Lima Road  
Avon, New York 14414  
(585)226-5409  
By appointment

Key project documents and project summary also are available on the NYSDEC website at:

<https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/cfm/extapps/derextermal/haz/details.cfm?ProgNo=C828231>

## Who to Contact

Comments and questions are welcome and should be directed as follows:

### Project-Related Questions

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For more information about New York's Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit:

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

# FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

91 Leighton Avenue Site  
91 Leighton Avenue  
Rochester, Monroe County

October 2024

SITE No. C828231  
NYSDEC REGION 8

## 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 91 Leighton Avenue site ("site") located at 91 Leighton Avenue, Rochester, Monroe 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 Phillips Real Estate, LLC ("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 **October 16 through November 17, 2024**.

Access the RIWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C828231//>

- Documents also are available at the locations identified at left under "Where to Find Information."
- Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area at left.

**Highlights of the Proposed Site Investigation:** The investigation will define the nature and extent of contamination in soil, groundwater and any other parts of the environment that may be affected.

Previous investigations have detected volatile, semi-volatile organic compounds (VOCs, SVOCs), and metals in soil and/or groundwater on site.

Key components of the investigation work include:

- Completing a geophysical survey to identify underground utilities and anomalies.
- Drilling and sampling soil borings to identify possible on-site sources of contamination.
- Digging test pits to observe the subsurface environment and collect soil samples.
- Installing and sampling ground water wells to monitor impacts from areas of on-site concern.

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**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 remedy, 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 1.73-acres and is bordered on the north by Leighton Avenue, on the east by an RG&E substation, on the south by commercial property and Atlantic Avenue, and on the west by Greenleaf Street. It is currently a vacant parcel with a concrete pad in the location of the former warehouse structure. The former warehouse was destroyed by a fire in October 2022. Previously, the site was occupied by the Rochester Can Co. between 1938 and 1955. From 1955 to 2022 the site was utilized for appliance sales, warehousing/storage, and distribution.

The site's future anticipated use is open parking and storage lot.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C828231) at:  
<https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/cfm/extapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>

**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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## Site Location





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