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Where to Find Information:

Project documents are available at these location(s) to help the public stay informed.

Buffalo and Erie County Public Library
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**For more information about New York's
Brownfield Cleanup Program, visit:**
www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html

FACT SHEET

Brownfield Cleanup Program

1111 Elmwood Avenue

1111 Elmwood Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14222

SITE No. C915319

NYSDEC REGION 9

December 2018

Cleanup Action Completed at Brownfield Site

Action has been completed to address the contamination related to the 1111 Elmwood Avenue site ("site") located at 1111 Elmwood Avenue, Buffalo, Erie County under New York State's Brownfield Cleanup Program (BCP). Please see the map for the site location.

Cleanup activities were performed by Affinity Elmwood Gateway Properties, LLC ("applicant") with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). The applicant has submitted a draft Final Engineering Report (FER) for NYSDEC review which states that cleanup requirements have been or will be achieved to fully protect public health and the environment for the proposed site use.

Highlights of the Site Cleanup: The following activities have been completed to achieve the remedial action objectives:

- Demolishing the existing structures and rerouting/termination of the existing on-site subsurface utilities required for demolition; and
- Removing and disposing contaminated historic fill down to native soil.

Next Steps: When NYSDEC approves the FER, it will be made available to the public (see "Where to Find Information" at left). NYSDEC then will issue a Certificate of Completion (COC) that will be announced in a fact sheet. The applicant would be able to redevelop the site after receiving a COC. In addition, the applicant(s):

- Will have no liability to the State for contamination at or coming from the site, subject to certain conditions; and
- Will be eligible for tax credits to offset a portion of the costs of performing cleanup activities and for redevelopment of the site.

A COC may be modified or revoked if, for example, an applicant does not comply with the terms of its Brownfield Cleanup Agreement with NYSDEC.

Site Description and Background: The site is a 0.96-acre parcel in a mixed residential/commercial business area at 1111 Elmwood Avenue in the Elmwood Village area of Buffalo. The site previously contained nine two-story multi-use structures that were demolished late 2017. The site had a similar configuration for the past 100 years and was initially developed for multi-family residential. Over the ensuing years, the lower level of some of the individual residential units transitioned to commercial use. The site is undergoing redevelopment with a single four-story mixed use building with ground floor for commercial use and

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upper floors for residential use. Subterranean parking will be included with the redevelopment.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the Site ID, C915319) at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/externalapps/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:
<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html>

We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.

Receive Site Fact Sheets by Email

Have site information such as this fact sheet sent right to your email inbox. NYSDEC invites you to sign up with one or more contaminated sites county email listservs at:

www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

It's quick, it's free, and it will help keep you better informed. As a listserv member, you will periodically receive site-related information/announcements for all contaminated sites in the county(ies) you select.

Note: Please disregard if you already have signed up and received this fact sheet electronically.

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Site Location Map

