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Access project documents through the link and the location listed below:

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For more information about Emerging Contaminants in New York's Waters and Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances, please visit:

<https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/water/emerging-contaminants>

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FACT SHEET

Drinking Water Contaminant Program

Mayville PFAS Site
2 Academy Street
Village of Mayville
Chautauqua County

SITE No. D907050
NYSDEC REGION 9

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Investigation to Begin at Drinking Water Site

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) will soon begin a detailed environmental study at the Mayville PFAS site ("Site") located at 2 Academy Street, Village of Mayville, Chautauqua County. Please see the map for the site location.

Investigation Work Plan: The investigation work plan, called a "*Remedial Investigation Work Plan (RIWP)*," was developed by NYSDEC under New York's State Drinking Water Contaminant (DWC) Program. Under the DWC program, investigation, mitigation, and remediation are conducted to ensure that cleanups are protective of public water supplies.

- Access the RIWP and other project documents online through the following link: <https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/D907050/>.
- For additional information on the Mayville PFAS Site, please visit: <https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/site-cleanup/regional-remediation-project-information/region-9/investigation-at-the-mayville-pfas-site>
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to Find Information."

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

Past investigations at the site and in the surrounding area have determined the presence of Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination, particularly Perfluorononanoic Acid (PFNA). PFNA and other PFAS have been detected in the site's surface soils, surface water, sediment, and groundwater. PFAS are contaminants often associated with aqueous film-forming foam used for firefighting operations.

Key components of the investigation work include:

- Drilling soil borings and collecting samples to identify possible on-site and off-site sources of contamination;
- Collecting surface water and sediment samples to assess contaminant migration; and
- Installing groundwater wells and collecting analytical samples to monitor impacts from on-site and off-site areas of concern.

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Next Steps: The information collected during the investigation will be summarized in a report. After the site investigation is complete, NYSDEC will conduct a "Feasibility Study." This study uses information developed during the site investigation to develop and evaluate potential ways to clean up contamination related to the site. The information collected during the site investigation may also support the conclusion that no action, or no further action, is needed to address site-related contamination. NYSDEC will then develop a draft cleanup plan, called a "Proposed Remedial Action Plan." This plan describes the remedy preferred by NYSDEC, or, if warranted, a proposal for no action or no further action.

The draft cleanup plan explains the decision that led to the preferred remedy by discussing each alternative and the reasons for choosing or rejecting it. The goal of the plan will be to ensure the protection of public health and the environment. NYSDEC will announce the availability of the draft cleanup plan in a future fact sheet, and will present it to the public for its review and comment during a 30-day comment period and at a public meeting.

Site Description: The Site is approximately 15.6-acres and is bordered by Academy Street to the north and West Chautauqua Street (Route 430) to the southeast. The Site contains multiple structures including the Town of Chautauqua Municipal Building. The remaining portion of the site is covered with greenspace. The investigation area will include areas beyond the Site throughout the Village of Mayville.

NYSDEC has divided the Site into three operable units (OUs). An operable unit represents a portion of a remedial program for a site that for technical or administrative reasons can be addressed separately to investigate, eliminate, or mitigate a release, threat of a release, or exposure pathway resulting from the Site contamination.

- OU-01 corresponds to the on-site remedial program located at 2 Academy Street.
- OU-02 corresponds to the off-site downgradient areas located along Patterson Street.
- OU-03 corresponds to the off-site areas located further downgradient along Morris Street.

The OUs referenced above are identified on the attached Figure.

Historically, the Site was used by the Chautauqua Lake Central School District. When the school district

relocated, the buildings on-site were repurposed for commercial office space for the Town of Chautauqua. Firefighting training exercises using aqueous film-forming foam were reportedly conducted on the former athletic/football fields.

Drinking Water Contaminant Program: New York States DWC Program focuses on the investigation, mitigation, and remediation of Emerging Contaminants (ECs) in public water supply systems. ECs, or contaminants of emerging concern, can refer to a number of different types of chemicals, including those found in medicines, personal care products, household cleaning products, cookware, agricultural products, and aqueous film-forming foam used for firefighting operations. These chemicals are often detected in our waterways and may have harmful effects on humans, fish, and other species. Sites that detect elevated concentrations of ECs may pose a threat to public health or the environment. DWC sites undergo 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 additional information on the Mayville PFAS Site, please visit:

<https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/site-cleanup/regional-remediation-project-information/region-9/investigation-at-the-mayville-pfas-site>

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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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