

Department of Environmental Conservation

Where to Find Information

Access project documents through the DECinfo Locator https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C727015/ and at these location(s):

Canastota Public Library 102 West Center Street Canastota, NY 13032

NYSDEC Region 7 Office

615 Erie Boulevard West Syracuse, New York 13204 Phone: (315)-426-7400 Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9:00 AM-4:00 PM (call for appointment)

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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

Old Erie Commons 160 Center Street Canastota, NY 13032

SITE No. C727015 NYSDEC REGION 7

February 2022

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 Old Erie Commons site ("site") located at 160 Center Street, Canastota, Madison 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 Savarino Companies 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 February 23 through March 25, 2022.

- Access the RIWP and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <u>https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/C727015/</u>.
- Documents also are available at the location(s) 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, surface water, groundwater and any other parts of the environment that may be affected.

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

Key components of the investigation work include:

- Drilling and sampling soil borings to identify possible on-site sources of contamination;
- Installing and sampling ground water wells to monitor impacts from areas of concern both on-site and off-site.
- Installation and sampling of soil vapor points to evaluate potential for soil vapor migration to proposed onsite buildings.

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 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 located on 2.56 acres between Center Street and the former Erie Canal (now a portion of Pools Brook) in a highly developed residential, commercial, and industrial area of the Village of Canastota. The site is currently vacant and mainly covered with vegetation (grass and wooded areas) except in the southern central portion of the site where a concrete slab and an associated pile of debris is present from the demolition of the former 5-story building completed in August 2011.

The site was historically utilized for various operations that involved varnishing, painting, and machining, including but not limited to casket manufacturing and boat building, for over 120 years. The redevelopment plan for the site includes 10 buildings, consisting of 45 residential units and 6,000 square feet of commercial/retail space in a mixed-income community referred to as Canalside Pocket Neighborhood. Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, C727015) at:

https://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/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: <u>https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8450.html</u>

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Stay Informed With DEC Delivers Sign up to receive site updates by email: https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html

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: <u>https://www.dec.ny.gov/pubs/109457.html</u>

BROWNFIELD CLEANUP PROGRAM





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