

EPA Continues Remedial Activities at the New Cassel/Hicksville Groundwater Contamination Superfund Site Westbury, New York

Community Update

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Public Participation is essential to the success of EPA's community involvement program. If you have any questions, please contact:

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Current Activities

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will conduct field work this May in Westbury, New York for a portion of the New Cassel/Hicksville Groundwater Contamination Superfund site. The work is part of a pre-design investigation related to the remedy selected by EPA in September 2013 to address groundwater contamination in an area downgradient from the New Cassel Industrial Area, designated as Operable Unit 1 (OU1). Because it is downgradient the groundwater flows from the New Cassel Industrial Area to this area. The 2013 remedy calls for a combination of: (a) in-situ (in-place) treatment of groundwater using an in-well vapor stripping system; (b) in-situ treatment of groundwater by adding of chemicals, and (c) extraction of groundwater via pumping with above ground treatment system that uses air stripping and/or running groundwater through carbon treatment. Air stripping is the process of moving air through contaminated groundwater or surface water in an above-ground treatment system.

EPA will use a drill rig to install monitoring wells at five locations in the Salisbury Area within the Town of Hempstead. EPA plans to set up operations on public roads and in public right of ways. EPA will create a temporary work zone which will be inaccessible to the public. The temporary work zone will include a drill rig, a support truck and a bobcat. PPE and wastes from drilling operations will be placed in drums for temporary storage in a secure staging area at 650 Commercial Avenue, Garden City, NY.

Schedule of Activities

Drilling activities are anticipated to begin in May 2020 and end November 2020. EPA will conduct field activities for approximately four to six weeks at each location. The locations are:

- Bernard Drive;
- Regent Drive at two locations; and
- Edgewood Drive at two locations.

Work will be performed Monday through Friday from approximately 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. At least one lane of the street will remain open to vehicular traffic at all times with traffic control, if necessary. During this period, moderate noise in the immediate vicinity is to be expected. ***EPA appreciates your patience and cooperation during the field activities associated with the remedial design.***



In May 2017, EPA established a task force to restore the Superfund program to its rightful place at the center of the Agency's core mission to protect health and the environment.

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