

Public Comment Period

July 13, 2016
to
August 13, 2016

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NYC VCP Cleanup Plan Available for Review and Comment

The New York City Office of Environmental Remediation (OER) provides this Fact Sheet pursuant to New York City's Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). An application has been submitted by The Bridge, Inc. for enrollment of the property located at 425 East 161st Street in Bronx, New York and identified as Block 2383, Lot 39 into the VCP. The Remedial Investigation Report (RIR) details the results of an environmental investigation at the site including the nature and extent of contamination. The draft Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) proposes remedial actions to address contamination delineated in the RIR.

Public Comments on the RAWP

OER is accepting public comments on the draft RAWP for 30 days until August 13, 2016. The RIR and draft RAWP are available for review at the document repositories identified in the box on the left including a public library branch and through a link to OER's website. Comments should be sent to Mr. Shaminder Chawla via mail or e-mail (see contact information at left).

Site Description

The Site is 6,097 square feet and is currently a vacant lot used for construction equipment storage. The proposed future use of the Site will be a nine-story supportive housing building with a cellar.

Summary of RIR

The environmental investigation identified several Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds (SVOCs), metals, and pesticides above cleanup guidelines. Groundwater was not encountered above bedrock at the Site. Soil vapor samples do not detect Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) above the monitoring/mitigation level ranges established by the New York State Department of Health.

Summary of the Remedy

The specific elements of the proposed remedial action include:

- Preparation of a Community Protection Statement and performance of all required NYC VCP Citizen Participation activities according to an approved Citizen Participation Plan;
- Implementation of a Community Air Monitoring Plan for particulates and volatile organic carbon (VOCs) compounds;
- Establishment of Track 4 Site-Specific Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs);
- Excavation and removal of soil/fill exceeding Track 4 Site-Specific SCOs. Excavation will extend to approximately 12 feet below grade at the location of the proposed building and approximately 2 feet below grade in the northern portion of the Site for a landscaped courtyard. Approximately 4000 tons of soil will be excavated and removed from Site;
- Transportation and off-Site disposal of all soil/fill material at permitted facilities in accordance with applicable laws and regulations for handling, transport, and disposal, and this plan. Sampling and analysis of excavated media as required by disposal facilities and appropriate segregation of excavated media onsite;
- Collection and analysis of end-point samples to determine the performance of the remedy with respect to attainment of SCOs;
- Installation of a vapor barrier/waterproofing system below the concrete slab underneath the building, as well as behind foundation walls of the proposed building;
- Construction and maintenance of an engineered composite cover consisting of 30" reinforced concrete slab in the building footprint;
- Two feet of clean soil/fill in the proposed landscaped area on the northern portion of the Site to prevent human exposure to residual soil/fill remaining under the Site;
- Submission of an approved Site Management Plan (SMP) in the RAR for long-term management of residual contamination, including plans for maintenance, inspection and certification of Engineering and Institutional Controls and reporting at a specified frequency;
- Submission of a Remedial Action Report (RAR) that describes the remedial activities and certifies that the remedial requirements have been achieved and lists any changes from this RAWP; and
- Continued registration with E-designation for the property.

