

# CITY OF ROCHESTER

## 42 YORK STREET

### ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP



City of Rochester, NY

#### Project Background and Status Update

The City of Rochester was awarded a USEPA Multipurpose Grant to fund the supplemental environmental assessment and cleanup of the City-owned property located at 42 York Street. The City acquired the 42 York Street property on December 15, 2016, as part of the Bull's Head Revitalization Project.

Supplemental environmental assessment work at 42 York Street under the grant program has been completed. A cleanup plan (Remedial Action Work Plan) was submitted to the USEPA and NYSDEC and the plan has been approved by the regulatory agencies. The City and their contractor is prepared to move forward with implementing the cleanup plan.

#### Cleanup Schedule

With all assessment complete and agency approvals in hand, cleanup activities at 42 York Street are anticipated to begin on or about November 11, 2024 (with some mobilization activities potentially occurring the week prior). Cleanup activities are expected to be completed in approximately six (6) to eight (8) weeks (i.e., by the end of December 2024).

Crews are anticipated to work four (4) days per week up to ten (10) hours per day. This schedule optimizes efficiency relative to the cleanup activities being performed. However, an adjusted schedule may be required based upon the need to perform activities during periods of adequate daylight.

#### Scope of Cleanup Activities and Oversight

Cleanup activities at the 42 York Street property will primarily entail the excavation and removal of soil/fill material with impacts above Restricted Residential Use and Commercial Use Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) established by the NYSDEC, as well as all fill material containing ash and cinders (i.e., material considered to be a solid waste by the NYSDEC). Excavated soil/fill would be disposed off-site in a NYSDEC-permitted landfill.

Groundwater that might be encountered during excavation activities and/or stormwater that accumulates within the excavation will be pumped into an on-site water storage container, tested to ensure there are no contaminants, and subsequently discharged to the municipal sewer system under an approved discharge permit.



**Project Site**

All cleanup goals are consistent with anticipated future use as identified in the Bull's Head Brownfield Area Revitalization Plan.

Through the Petroleum Spill Cleanup Program, representatives of the NYSDEC Region 8 office have approved project work plans and will continue to oversee the cleanup activities. The NYSDEC will also approve the post-remediation project report.

### **How Might Upcoming Cleanup Activities Affect You?**

As a resident or business owner in the vicinity of 42 York Street, you will notice the installation of temporary construction fencing around 42 York Street and adjacent City of Rochester-owned property. Heavy machinery (excavators, loader, etc.) will be mobilized to the construction site. Equipment and trucks will enter/exit the work site via Kensington Street (northeast of the site). All available effort shall be made by the contractors to keep equipment on the 42 York Street property and immediately adjacent City of Rochester property (and off of the adjacent roadways) to ensure no disruption to the local flow of traffic.

Expect some noise to be generated by the equipment on-site. All activities are scheduled to occur during typical construction working hours (between the hours of 7am and 5pm) and only when there is adequate daylight, which is limited during the time of year the cleanup is being performed.

### **Where Can I Find More Information?**

Records related to the 42 York Street site investigation and cleanup activities and the Bull's Head Revitalization Project can be found online by scanning the QR code:



Printed copies of documents related to the 42 York Street Project are available at the document repository located at the **Arnett Branch Public Library, 310 Arnett Boulevard, Rochester, NY 14619.**



**Typical Loadout Activities**