



New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Material Removal Work Plan Proposed for Roberto Clemente Park Public Comment Period and Public Meeting Announced

Public Meeting, Thursday, 10/9/2014 at 7:00 PM

Health Sports Education Complex Lecture Hall

M.J. Grant Campus of Suffolk Community College, 1001 Crooked Hill Road, Brentwood

NYSDEC invites you to a public meeting to discuss the remedy proposed for the site. You are encouraged to provide comments at the meeting, and during the comment period described in this fact sheet.

The public is invited to comment on a **Material Removal Work Plan** prepared by the Town of Islip and under review by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) related to the Roberto Clemente Park site ("site") located at 400 Broadway, Brentwood, Suffolk County. Please see map for the site location.

Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the locations identified below under "Where to Find Information."

How to Comment

NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan **until October 20, 2014**. Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area below.

Site History

Roberto Clemente Islip Town Park is a multiple-use recreational park, roughly 30 acres, located in a residential setting in the hamlet of Brentwood, New York. The land comprising the Park was acquired in separate parcels by the Town of Islip over a period of years beginning in 1962 and concluding in 1976. The Park and its facilities were designed and constructed during the period 1978-1982. The site had been a sand mine under private ownership from approximately 1944 to 1955. Excavations in the area occupied by the soccer field were brought to grade in approximately 1962, and excavations in the area occupied by the recharge basin and ball fields in the southern portion of the site were partially brought to grade after 1956 and remain below grade. Development of the Site into a public park (which was originally known as Timberline Park) with current ball fields, basketball court and a swimming pool complex, a soccer field, and support buildings occurred during the late 1970's and early 1980's. The Park has been closed to the public since May 2014 due to illegal dumping activities.

Describe the Problem

Unlawful disposal of contaminated fill materials took place at the Park during the period May 2013 – April 2014. After the commencement of an investigation by Suffolk County District Attorney's Office in April 2014, contaminated fill at the park was tested by an environmental firm and was found to contain elevated levels of organic compounds, metals, and pesticides/PCBs, some of which exceed the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Part 375 Protection of Public Health Residential Soil Cleanup Objectives ("SCO"). Additionally, asbestos-containing building material ("ACM") was identified as a component in the illegally disposed materials. The Town of Islip proposes to remove all illegally disposed materials from Roberto Clemente Park to alleviate potential threats to public health and safety or to the environment.

Implementation of the Material Removal Work Plan is intended as an immediate action to halt any potential environmental degradation of the site and as a step to restoring the Park to its original recreational use.

The actual volume of illegally disposed contaminated fill will be determined after the excavation to pre-existing elevation at the site.

Ensuring Cleanup

- Full removal of all contaminated fill at the site
- Air monitoring will be conducted during activities
- Asbestos removal will follow Department of Labor regulations
- All trucks carrying the fill will be lined and covered
- Confirmatory end point sampling conducted after fill removal to verify full extent of cleanup

In its work plan submission, the Town of Islip proposes three actions to ensure Roberto Clemente Park is thoroughly cleaned including: a proposal for the **full removal**, not a portion of material, of all contaminated fill at the Site; requiring that **end point sampling** is conducted to verify that all contaminated fill has been removed; and installing **three permanent groundwater monitoring wells** to ensure that drinking water quality is not compromised before, during and after removal of material.

How will the excavation work be done

Material removal activities will be performed by excavating the contaminated fill at the park by machinery for proper offsite disposal at approved facilities. All areas on which fill has been placed will be excavated down to pre-existing grade, and then evaluated to determine if further excavation is required in any location. Based on the soil sample results and in coordination with the NYSDEC, approximately three-quarters of the contaminated fill that will be removed from the former soccer fields will be disposed of at the Islip Resource Recovery Agency's landfill at Blydenburgh Road, Hauppauge, N.Y. The balance of the contaminated fill (approximately 25%) will be disposed at approved facilities off of Long Island. Separation of material for on or off-Island destination will be accomplished in the field through use of survey points as approved by NYSDEC. Truck transportation will follow pre-approved routes in accordance with all applicable regulation.

Community Health and Safety

Excavation, transport, and disposal will be conducted by a qualified contractor selected through a public procurement process administered by the Town of Islip. The contractor will propose, subject to Town and NYSDEC approval, an off-Long Island disposal site for the fraction of materials requiring such disposal. The Work Plan contains all Department of Labor requirements pertaining to asbestos removal. The project will be considered a large asbestos abatement project, and will require use of a licensed Asbestos Abatement Contractor with New York State Certified Asbestos Supervisors and Handlers. The Town will designate areas within the Park for lay down of materials, locations of decontamination and sanitary facilities, equipment parking, vehicle staging and other essential activities. All trucks will be lined with at least two layers of 6-mil fire resistant polyethylene sheeting to ensure no spillage or dust emission while on the road.

The Contractor will be required to submit a project schedule and a project-specific Health & Safety Plan ("HASP"). A separate HASP, which is provided in the work plan, has been prepared to address overall project health and safety concerns for the community and to cover activities conducted by the Town of Islip and the Town of Islip's consultants. The Contractor's HASP will be prepared in conformance with the general requirements of the Work Plan HASP, including worker safety requirements and procedures for their employees and subcontractors, as appropriate.

A Community Air Monitoring Plan ("CAMP") will be implemented by the Town as part of the work plan. The intent of the CAMP is to monitor air quality continuously during soil excavation activities and to protect the community and site workers from potential airborne contaminant releases as a result of work activities.

At the conclusion of the excavation, confirmatory soil endpoint samples will be collected and analyzed to evaluate effectiveness of the removal effort. If visual observation confirms that all material has been removed and if the endpoint sample results are acceptable to NYSDEC, removal activity will cease. Additional groundwater monitoring

will be performed at the direction of NYSDEC. Any additional testing results will be made available in a document repository as well as a final submission report.

Material Removal Time Frame

Upon receiving final approval from the NYSDEC for its Material Removal Work Plan, the Town of Islip will publish notice for the procurement of an appropriate contractor to begin excavation. Contractor selection is anticipated within 30 days of publication. After award, air monitoring will begin 5 days prior to any material removal. Removal of materials is estimated to take approximately 120 days. Environmental consultants and the NYSDEC will determine this conclusion of material removal period and will then proceed with end point sampling at designated locations. Lab results of samples will be included in the Town's submittal of a "Final Material Removal Report".

Proposed Truck Routes

The Town of Islip is proposing three trucking routes for the hauling of material from the park during the removal activities. The routes have been developed to minimize impacts to the community while allowing the truck traffic to enter major roadways outside the community quickly. The Town is considering enforcing alternate days/ times for each route to be utilized and will finalize all trucking routes as part of its procurement document. Routes A includes Broadway Avenue heading North, to Alkiers Street heading East to Route 111 heading North; Route B includes Noble Street heading East to Grand Blvd. heading North to Alkiers Street heading East to Route 111 heading North; Route C includes Broadway Avenue heading South to Spur Drive North heading East to Route 111 heading North.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Where to Find Information

Project documents are available at the following location(s) to help the public stay informed.

- **Brentwood Public Library**
34 2nd Ave, Brentwood, NY 11717 / phone: (631) 273-7883
- **Town of Islip Clerk's Office**
655 Main Street, Islip NY 11751 / phone: (631) 224-5490
- **Town of Islip website:** www.townofislip-ny.gov

Who to Contact

Comments and questions are always welcome and should be directed as follows:

Project Related Questions

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Site-Related Health Questions

Bureau of Environmental Exposure Investigation

New York State Department of Health

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Albany, NY 12237

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800-458-1158

BEEI@health.ny.gov



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