

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

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CERTIFIED MAIL **RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Mr. Neil Stowell
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Village of Hoosick Falls
Highway Facility
Waterworks Road
Hoosick Falls, NY 12090

Ms. Denise McMahon
Village Treasurer
Village of Hoosick Falls
Municipal Building
24 Main Street
Hoosick Falls, NY 12090

Re: Potential Hazardous Waste Disposal Site

Dear Mr. Stowell and Ms. McMahon:

As required by subdivision 27-1305(2)(a) of the Environmental Conservation Law (ECL, quoted below), the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) must investigate all suspected or known inactive hazardous waste disposal sites. We have received information which leads us to suspect that hazardous waste has been disposed of at the following location:

Site Name: Hoosick Falls Landfill
Site Address: Route 22, Hoosick, NY 12090
DEC Site No.: 442007
Tax Map Identifier: 17-2-16.2

Therefore, this letter constitutes DEC's notification to you as the identified property owner that this property is considered a potential inactive hazardous waste disposal site. If DEC determines that hazardous waste has been disposed of on the property and that the hazardous waste poses a significant threat to public health or the environment, the property will be listed on the Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Sites (Registry).



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Hoosick Falls Landfill
Site ID 442007

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If you have any information that may be relevant to our investigation and pending determination, please forward it to me as soon as possible. If you prefer to carry out this investigation yourself, you may do so under a legal agreement with DEC and in accordance with DEC's technical requirements. Please contact the Project Manager (see below) at the above number within 10 business days if you want to discuss this option. Otherwise, DEC will carry out any needed field investigation. If the site is determined to be an inactive hazardous waste disposal site and DEC incurs costs to investigate or remediate the site, DEC will seek to recover all costs from any responsible person.

A brief summary of the information we presently have is enclosed. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the possibility of undertaking the investigation of the site yourself, please feel free to contact the Project Manager for this site, Richard Mustico at 518-402-9676 or at the address given above.

Sincerely,



William Daigle
Director, Remedial Bureau D
Division of Environmental Remediation

Enclosure

cc: w/o enc.
Richard Mustico, Project Manager

Environmental Conservation Law

Section 27-1305(2)(a)

“The department shall conduct investigations of the sites listed in the registry and shall investigate areas or sites which it has reason to believe should be included in the registry. The purpose of these investigations shall be to develop the information required by subdivision one of this section to be included in the registry.”



**NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION
Inactive Hazardous Waste Disposal Report**



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| Site Code | 442007 | | | | |
| Site Name | Hoosick Falls Landfill | Address | Route 22 | | |
| Classification | P | City | Hoosick | Zip | 12090 |
| Region | 4 | County | Rensselaer | Town | Hoosick |
| Latitude | 42 degrees, 55 minutes, 4.53 seconds | | | Estimated Size | 28.55 |
| Longitude | -73 degrees, 21 minutes, 25.75 seconds | | | | |
| Site Type | Landfill | | | | |

Site Description

Location: The Hoosick Falls Landfill is located off of Route 22 in the Town of Hoosick, Rensselaer County, about ½ mile north of the Village of Hoosick Falls.

Site Features: The 28.55 acre site is situated on a terrace overlooking the Hoosick River [west of the site] and Thayer's Pond [south of the site]. Boston and Maine railroad tracks follow the river valley between the site and the river.

Current zoning and land use: The site is zoned as a landfill and dump.

Past use of the site: The site was used as a landfill starting in the mid 1930's until it stopped accepting waste in 1993. Industrial and municipal waste were disposed at the landfill during its operations. The landfill was closed in 1994. The landfill is reported to have received industrial waste such as molding sand, phenolic and polymerized epoxy resin.

Site Geology and Hydrogeology: Based on topographic information, groundwater flow is suspected to be towards the Hoosick River, directly west of the landfill. Field observations suggest that a leachate seep from the landfill drains to Thayer Pond, which is located directly S of the landfill.

Materials Disposed at Site

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Analytical Data Available for : Groundwater, Surface Water

Applicable Standards Exceeded for:

Assessment of Environmental Problems

The Hoosick Falls Landfill is believed to have accepted industrial waste, including PFOA. Monitoring wells on the site were sampled and found to contain concentrations up to 21,000 parts per trillion (ppt) of PFOA, above the USEPA health advisory for drinking water of 70 ppt. A leachate sample from the landfill had a PFOA concentration of 1,400 ppt. Thayer Pond, which the leachate seep flowed into, had a PFOA concentration of 1,200 ppt.

Assessment of Health Problems

As information for this site becomes available, it will be reviewed by the NYSDOH to determine if site contamination presents public health exposure concerns.

Owners

Current Owner(s)

Village of Hoosick Falls
P.O. BOX 247, TOWN HALL
HOOSICK FALLS NY 12090

Operators

Current Operator(s)

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