

Notification to Abutters
Additional Remedial Actions
Unity Park
500 Wood Street, Bristol, Rhode Island

July 17, 2025

In accordance with the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management's (RIDEM's) Rules and Regulations for the Investigation and Remediation of Hazardous Material Releases (the Remediation Regulations), and the Industrial Property Remediation and Reuse Act (Rhode Island General Law 23-19.14, Section 11), Unity Park LLC is providing notice to abutters that an additional phase of remediation is being proposed to address a limited area of impacted soil currently stockpiled on the Site. The property is further designated as Plat **29** Lot **1** by the **Town of Bristol's** Tax Assessor's plat maps. The goal of the additional remediation is to remove an existing approximately 4,000 cubic yard soil stockpile that remained after the initial Site remediation and redevelopment. The soil will be treated on-site to reduce leachable lead concentrations, and then transported off-site to a licensed landfill. Following removal, the area of the stockpile will be capped with compacted clean soil and an asphalt pavement parking lot. The work will be conducted in a manner consistent with the Environmental Land Usage Restriction and Soils Management Plan currently recorded on the property deed. The future use of the property will be for industrial purposes similar to the surrounding portion of the Unity Park complex.

Previous investigations at the site found exceedances of RIDEM's applicable residential and/or industrial commercial direct exposure criteria and RIDEM's Method 1 GB Leachability Criteria for petroleum, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and/or metals within Site soils. Remedial actions previously completed at the Site included a property-wide remedial engineered control consisting of various types of caps (building foundations, asphalt pavement, concrete and landscaping), to prevent direct contact with impacted soils and reduce precipitation infiltration through impacted soil.

Soils that were stockpiled during the prior remediation activities were recently sampled and analyzed. These results were generally consistent with prior Site characterization findings, but also indicated that some soils had Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) lead concentrations that exceeded the RCRA hazardous waste criteria of 5 mg/L. We believe that the source of leachable lead is likely due to the historic use of lead containing paint on Site buildings as well as historic releases from former industrial operations. Prior to removing and disposing of this material, it must be treated to reduce the leachable lead concentrations to a level below the 5 mg/L RCRA criteria. Soils will be treated with a spray applied, aqueous stabilization agent to meet applicable standards. Soils will then be retested to demonstrate that the treatment met the remedial objective and then transported offsite to a licensed facility (landfill). The site cap will be replaced per the previously implemented ELUR and SMP.

There is a 30-calendar day comment period, commencing with the date of this notice, during which the public may review RIDEM records pertaining to this property and submit written comments regarding the technical feasibility of the proposed remedial actions. Should you require additional time for review, a request for an extension of the comment

period may be made to the Department. Requests must be received by the Department before 4:00pm on the final day of the comment period and may be made in writing to the address or email address below or by calling the telephone number listed below. RIDEM will consider all substantive written comments prior to issuing its final approval of the proposed remedial alternative.

Written comments should be submitted to:

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Arrangements to review RIDEM records may be made by contacting Angela Spadoni, Office of Customer and Technical Assistance, at (401) 537-4029, or by email at Dem.filereview@dem.ri.gov.

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