

**30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

**PROPOSED PLAN U.S AIR FORCE PLANT NO. 59 (AFP-59)**

**at**

**600 MAIN STREET JOHNSON CITY, NEW YORK**

The Air Force invites public comment on **Proposed Plan for AFP-59**.

The Proposed Plan identifies the preferred alternative for the AFP-59 site located at 600 Main Street in Johnson City, NY. The public is invited to review and comment on the Proposed Plan during a 30-day public comment period that will run from February 25, 2019 through March 27, 2019.

The Proposed Plan may be obtained online from the Administrative Record for this site at <https://afcec.publicadmin-record.us.af.mil> or by contacting:

**Mr. Corey Lam**  
**Remedial Program Manager**  
**Air Force Civil Engineer Center (AFCEC)**  
**1981 Monahan Way**  
**Wright-Patterson AFB, OH 45433**  
**937-904-3713**

Written comments for the Proposed Plan may be submitted at any time during the comment period, but they must be **postmarked or hand-delivered no later than March 27, 2019**. Comments should be submitted to the Air Force at the above address, and/or may also be presented orally or in writing at a Public Meeting to be held:

**March 7, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.**  
**Town of Union Town Hall,**  
**3111 E. Main St., Endwell, NY 13760**

The Air Force will hold an Information Session at the beginning of the Public Meeting to explain the Proposed Plan and will accept and answer questions at that time. After the public comments are carefully reviewed and considered, the final remedial decision will be issued in a Decision Document (DD). Copies of the DD will be available for review at Your Home Public Library in Johnson City or from the Administrative Record.



**Where to Find Information:**

*Project documents are available at the following locations to help the public stay informed.*

**Your Home Public Library**

107 Main St  
Johnson City, NY 13790  
(607) 797-4816

Project documents also are available on the US Air Force Civil Engineer Center (AFCEC) administrative record website (by choosing AF Plant 59 and SS005 Plating Building):

<http://afcec.publicadmin-record.us.af.mil/Search.aspx>

**Who to Contact:**

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

**Project-Related Questions**

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**For more information about New York's State Superfund Program, visit:**

[www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html)

## FACT SHEET

State Superfund Program

U.S Air Force Plant No. 59

600 Main Street  
Johnson City, NY 13790

SITE No. 704020

NYSDEC REGION 7

February 2019

### Remedy Proposed for State Superfund Site; Public Comment Period and Public Meeting Announced

The public is invited to comment on a remedy being proposed by the US Air Force (Air Force) in consultation with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) to address contamination related to the Air Force Plant 59 ("site")

**Public Meeting, March 7, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.**

**Town of Union Town Hall, 3111 E. Main St., Endwell, NY 13760**

Air Force 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 30-day comment period described in this fact sheet.

In addition, representatives from The Agency (Broome County Industrial Development Agency) and Elan Planning, Landscape Architecture & Engineering DPC will present on potential redevelopment and reuse strategies for the site.

located at 600 Main Street, Johnson City, New York. Please see the map below for the site location. Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the locations identified to the left under "Where to Find Information." The estimated cost to implement the remedy is \$1.60 million.

**How to Comment:** The Air Force is accepting written comments about the proposed plan for 30 days, from **February 25<sup>th</sup>** through **March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019**. The proposed plan is available for public review at the locations identified at left under "Where to Find Information." Please submit comments to the Air Force Civil Engineer Center remedial program manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area at left.

The site is listed as a Class 2 site in the State Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Sites (list of State Superfund sites). A Class 2 site represents a significant threat to public health and/or the environment; action is required.

**Proposed Remedial Action Plan:** The remedy proposed for the site includes:

- Containing soil contamination beneath a 2 ft-thick soil cover (or other NYSDEC approved cover material) after site development is complete;
- Implementing Land and Use and Institutional Controls that include:
  - Restricting site use to restricted residential, commercial, or industrial end uses;
  - Prohibiting use of groundwater underlying the property; and
  - Evaluating the potential for soil vapor intrusion to occur in any building developed on the site with actions taken to address exposures.
- Developing a soil management plan that requires certain actions be taken when the soil cover is disturbed.
- Developing a Site Management Plan that describes requirements for long-term implementation of the site remedy.

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# STATE SUPERFUND PROGRAM

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The Air Force developed the proposed remedy after reviewing the detailed investigation of the site and evaluating the remedial options in the "Proposed Plan" [submitted under New York's State Superfund Program by the Air Force ("remedial party")].

**Next Steps:** The Air Force will consider public comments as it finalizes the remedy for the site. The selected remedy will be described in a document called a "Record of Decision" that will explain why the remedy was selected and respond to public comments. A detailed design of the selected remedy will then be prepared, and the cleanup will be performed.

The Air Force will continue to keep the public informed about the site.

**Site Description:** The site occupies approximately 30 acres in a commercial/residential area of Johnson City. The site was formerly used by the Air Force and various government contractors and was occupied by a 600,000 square foot building and paved parking area. Site operations manufactured avionic systems for military and commercial aircraft. All operations ceased in November 2011 following severe flooding caused by Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee. All onsite buildings were subsequently demolished between February 2016 and January 2017. The Air Force transferred property ownership to the Broome County Industrial Development Agency in February 2018, but maintains responsibility for cleanup of groundwater. The site is currently vacant.

Local residences and commercial buildings are provided with public drinking water.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the Site ID, 704020) at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>

**Summary of the Investigation:** The primary contaminants of concern at the site are semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), which are present in soil and associated with road base material below former asphalt paved parking areas located at the facility. Chlorinated volatile organic compounds (VOCs) are present in onsite soil vapor and also present in groundwater located at the site and immediately downgradient of the site. Site groundwater contamination is currently being addressed under a separate and previously approved remedial action. The Air Force determined that the preferred method for cleanup of VOCs in groundwater was to upgrade the groundwater treatment system at the Camden Street Well Field, which is a source of Johnson City drinking water. Information regarding this Record of Decision is available in the document repositories.

**State Superfund Program:** New York's State Superfund Program (SSF) identifies and characterizes suspected inactive hazardous waste disposal sites. Sites that pose a significant threat to public health and/or the environment go through a process of investigation, evaluation, cleanup and monitoring.

For more information about the SSF, visit:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html>

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*We encourage you to share this fact sheet with neighbors and tenants, and/or post this fact sheet in a prominent area of your building for others to see.*

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- Key Features**
- Approximate Site and Property Boundary
  - Former Building Location (Demolished)
  - Location of Johnson City Municipal Supply Well Field

**Air Force Plant 59  
Johnson City,  
New York**

Air Force Plant 59  
Site Layout



Coordinate System: NAD 1983 StatePlane New York Central FIPS 3102 Feet  
 Projection: Transverse Mercator  
 Datum: North American 1983  
 Units: Foot US  
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