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REGION 2

Upcoming Activities

Following a major fire in November 2022, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is demolishing damaged buildings and disposing of asbestos and asbestos-containing debris at the Allen Street Development site located in Jamestown, New York this fall. EPA is also decontaminating materials from the site that can be set aside for recycling. The work will be completed in a few months.

During the demolition, EPA is evaluating and properly disposing hazardous substances as well as continuously monitoring the air to protect on-site workers and the public.



Past Activities

EPA originally got involved with the site in June 2021 when the City of Jamestown requested that EPA evaluate the site because buildings at the site were rapidly deteriorating, and historic records showed that hazardous substances were used at the facility.

During an inspection, EPA found various drums and containers that appeared to contain hazardous substances and suspected that asbestos-containing building materials were used throughout the facility. After EPA's site inspection, the property owner began removing the containers as EPA assessed the drums and soil. In November 2022 a fire broke out at the site that spread quickly through much of the facility. The local fire department extinguished the fire, but it had destroyed the majority of the facility as fire crews worked to prevent the fire from spreading to neighboring businesses. Once the fire was out, EPA installed temporary fencing around the site and began planning to address the remaining burnt out and deteriorated structures.

Site Background

The site is a former furniture manufacturing facility that filed for bankruptcy in 2012. Allen Street Development, LLC purchased the property and used much of the space to store airplane components. Over the years, buildings at the site were not properly maintained and sections had begun to collapse at the time of the fire in November 2022.

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