

**New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)
Brooklyn-Queens Aquifer (BQA) Feasibility Study
Synopsis of Community Outreach Program**

Initial Project Briefings¹

Purpose: to introduce project to local elected officials and Community Board, discuss project goals and associated activities, and receive input

Queens Community Board #12 (District Manager and Chairperson)/representative of New York State Assemblywoman Vivian Cook	July 16, 2001
representatives of New York State Senator Ada Smith	July 18, 2001
New York State Assemblyman William Scarborough/ representative of Brinkerhoff Action Association	July 19, 2001
New York State Senator Malcolm Smith and staff	August 9, 2001
New York City Councilman Thomas White and staff	August 9, 2001

Public Meetings/Events

<i>Purpose: to introduce project to the public</i> Public Meeting	November 27, 2001
<i>Purpose: to discuss New York City's Drought Emergency Plan and the BQA Study (co-sponsored by Queens Borough President Helen Marshall)</i> Public Meeting Public Meeting	May 7, 2002 May 8, 2002
<i>Purpose: to present Station 6 Pilot Plant testing results, provide update on West Side Corporation (WSC) site clean-up and discuss conceptual plans for Station 6</i> Open House/Public Meeting	October 22, 2003
<i>Purpose: to introduce community to processes being tested at Station 6 Pilot Plant</i> Tours of Pilot Plant	December 2002 - February 2003
<i>Purpose: to announce start of remediation of WSC site</i> Groundbreaking Ceremony	November 22, 2004

¹ 11 letters sent to notify elected officials and Community Board #12 of start of Study and to offer project briefing.

Purpose: to discuss start of clean-up work at WSC site
Public Meeting December 13, 2004

Purpose: to discuss architectural design of Station 6 with residents in vicinity of plant
Public Meeting January 31, 2005

Educational Program

Purpose: to introduce students to overall water quality treatment issues and processes being tested at Station 6 Pilot Plant
Tours of Pilot Plant January 2003

Purpose: to establish environmental laboratory in local school district
Meetings with representatives of I.S. 59 January 2003 – present

Small Group Meetings (13)

Brinkerhoff Action	October 18, 2001
Queens Community Board #12 – Environmental Committee	October 29, 2001
Queens Community Board #12	November 14, 2001
Linda Hazel and neighbors	November 26, 2001
Queens Community Board #13	January 28, 2002
Concerned Citizens of Laurelton	February 6, 2002
Queens Community Board #12 – Area 1 Committee	April 30, 2002
Queens Borough President Helen Marshall	October 20, 2003
Queens Community Board #13	January 26, 2004
Queens Community Board #12	February 18, 2004
District Manager, Queens Community Board #12	February 25, 2004
Concerned Citizens of Laurelton	April 3, 2004
Queens Community Board #12 – Areas 1 & 2 Committees	September 14, 2004
Queens Community Board #12 - District Services Cabinet	March 23, 2005

Agency Coordination

New York City Art Commission (Pre-Application Meeting)	November 17, 2004
New York City Office of Management & Budget - Value Engineering (Preliminary Meeting and Site Tour)	January 6, 2005
New York City Office of Management & Budget - Value Engineering (Workshop)	January 24-28, 2005
New York City Department of Cultural Affairs - Percent for Art Program (Introductory Meeting)	February 11, 2005
New York City Department of Cultural Affairs - Percent for Art Program (Site Tour)	March 3, 2005

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

(Members include Queens Community Boards #12 and #13; city and state elected officials; residents; and representatives of civic groups and neighborhood organizations. See attached Membership List.)

Formed: January 2002

Number of members (organizations and residents): 19 [as of May 2005]

1st meeting: February 2002

Number of meetings (through May 2005): 30

Number of subcommittee meetings (through May 2005): 2

Number of tours (through May 2005): 3

4/24/02 – Station 6 Pilot Plant

3/13/03 – DEP's Water Quality Laboratory at Lefrak City

4/17/04 – Hillview Reservoir and Van Cortlandt Valve Chamber

Art Subcommittee

(Members include Queens Community Boards #12 and 13, residents and representatives of civic groups and neighborhood organizations. See attached Membership List.)

Formed: April 2005

Number of Members: 7 [as of May 2005]

1st Meeting: June 2005

Scientific Review Panel

(Panel includes experts in fields of civil, environmental and chemical engineering; hydrogeology; chemistry; public health and risk assessment. See attached list of members.)

Selected by CAC: Fall 2002

Number of Members: 6

Newsletters (2)

August 2002

Fall 2003

Other Informational Materials

- Fact Sheet: Station 6 Modifications (November 2001)
- Fact Sheet: Installation of Groundwater Monitoring Wells (Station 24) (June 2002)
- Video: Partners – The Brooklyn-Queens Aquifer Feasibility Project (Fall 2003)
- Frequently Asked Questions (WSC and Station 24) (December 2004)
- Community Notification Letter and Magnet (WSC) (April 2005)
- Project website – posted (July 2002); updated regularly, usually on a monthly basis

Project Milestones

- Initial Public Briefings: July 2001 - November 2001
- Station 6 Pilot Plant: February 2002 – February 2003
- Project video released: Fall 2003
- Value Engineering Workshop: January 2005
- Start of clean-up work at WSC: April 2005

(updated May 23, 2005)

Brooklyn-Queens Aquifer Feasibility Study
Citizens Advisory Committee
Membership List
(as of April 7, 2005)

Dr. Gloria Black
Chairperson
Queens Community Board #12

Tracey Bowes
Queens Community Board #12

Manuel Caughman
Queens Community Board #12/
Office of New York State
Assemblyman William Scarborough

The Honorable Leroy Comrie
New York City Council

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Office of New York City Councilman
Leroy Comrie

Kenneth Gill
Addisleigh Park Civic Organization

Linda Caleb Hazel
A Better Day/St. Benedict the Moor/St.
Bonaventure

Richard Hellenbrecht
Chairperson
Queens Community Board #13

Irving & Sarah Hicks
Brinkerhoff Action Association

Debora Hunte
Brinkerhoff Action Association

The Honorable Helen Marshall
Queens Borough President

Yvonne Reddick
District Manager
Queens Community Board #12

Peter Richards
Queens Community Board #13

Earl Roberts
113th Precinct Council

The Honorable William Scarborough
New York State Assembly

Fred Simmons
Residential People for Improvement

The Honorable Malcolm A. Smith
New York State Senate

Michael Turner
Addisleigh Park Civic Association

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Art Subcommittee - Membership List
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A Better Day/St. Benedict the Moor/St. Bonaventure

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Scientific Review Panel
Membership List

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