



FORT TILDEN

Breezy Point, Queens, New York

**US Army Corps
Of Engineers®
New York District**

FACT SHEET

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DESCRIPTION: The Fort Tilden site is located on the Rockaway peninsula off Rockaway Boulevard, due west of the Marine Park Bridge. The Department of the Army between 1917 and 1967 occupied the former Fort Tilden consisting of 311 acres in fee. During those years the fort had variety of weapon installations with which to defend the New York Harbor. The entire installation was decommissioned in 1967 but remained in the Army's control. In 1976 the Army transferred 302 acres to the Department of Interior, National Park Service (NPS). The site became part of Gateway National Recreation Area. The remaining nine acres was transferred to the U.S. Army Reserve Center and still active. After the Department of Defense (DOD) vacated the site the NPS took over several of the administrative buildings for its support staff. The remaining buildings were boarded up, demolished or abandoned in place. According to the most recent site maps there were 66 buildings within the fort. Approximately half of the buildings have been demolished by NPS. Other structures are being used for storage or left to deteriorate. On many of the deteriorating buildings, the identification numbers have faded to become unreadable.

AUTHORIZATION: Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) authorized Federal action to respond to the release or threatened release of hazardous substances, from any source, into any part of the environment. As a result of the former Fort Tilden activities, there is one project propose for MMRP SI OEW project.

STATUS : Project for SI OEW sampling was completed in January 2007. Conclusion and recommendation proposed Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS). Second TPP meeting was completed on 5 September 2007. Final SI report was completed September 2007 by Alion Science and Technology (Contractor).

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: Ninth Congressional District

CURRENT ISSUES: None

PROJECT COST: BD/DR: \$
CON/HTRW: \$
HTRW: \$
OEW : \$ 182,900.00

PROJECT TOTAL COST: \$ 182,900.00

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