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WOODBINE RECEIVES ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR SITE REMEDIATION INVESTIGATION

Woodbine—Mayor William Pikolycky is pleased to announce that the Borough of Woodbine has received funding through the Department of Environmental Protection Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) in the amount of \$39,432 for the performance of remedial investigation at the site of the former rubber factory (also referred to as the hat factory) site located at the corner of Adams and DeHirsch Avenues. This site was subsequently a tape factory.

This investigation, which is a second phase, is to evaluate potential impacts to soil and/or groundwater from the manufacturing operations that took place there prior to approximately the 1970s.

Given the history of the site with its potential for contamination, the Borough applied for funding for remedial investigation. The current phase investigation was prompted by the finding the presence of PCBs in surficial soil in isolated portions of the property. The work will involve a delineation of impacted soil, and evaluation of its impact on the property's groundwater as this property is intended for future development.

Adjoining property owners have received letters explaining that these inspections are occurring, clarifying the purpose and extent as well as intent of the work being performed.

“Previous remediation grants allowed for investigations on the Old School Lot and the Naval Training East Coast Defense System site at the Woodbine Municipal Airport, which have been completed and closed out, leaving this as the only one to be abated,” noted Mayor Pikolycky “This will permit the property to also be restored as a valuable asset to the community.”