

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

Applicant:

Broome Bituminous Products, Inc

Facility:

Broome Bituminous Products, Inc
416 Prentice Rd
Vestal, NY 13850

NYSDEC Application Number:

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List of Acronyms

Acronym	Definition
CP-29	Commissioner Policy 29, Environmental Justice and Permitting
NOCA	Notice of Complete Application
NYSDEC	New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
PEJA	Potential Environmental Justice Area
PPP	Public Participation Plan

I. INTRODUCTION AND OBJECTIVE

This abbreviated Public Participation Plan (aPPP) has been prepared by Broome Bituminous Products, Inc (hereinafter referred to as “applicant”) to fulfill and comply with the requirements of New York State Department of Environmental Conservation **Commissioner Policy 29, Environmental Justice and Permitting (CP-29)** for their existing Asphalt Plant, that requires a Air State Facility application and which has been determined by NYSDEC to potentially impact one or more potential environmental justice area (PEJA) (See Figure 1).

This PPP has been developed in accordance with the procedures established in CP-29 Section V.D and it aims to help ensure meaningful and effective public participation throughout the NYSDEC environmental permit review process. Public participation in the NYSDEC environmental permit review process means a program of activities that provides opportunities for stakeholders to be informed about and involved during the review of a proposed action.

The objective of this PPP is to outline and describe the program of activities that the applicant will implement to actively seek and enhance public participation during the application review process.

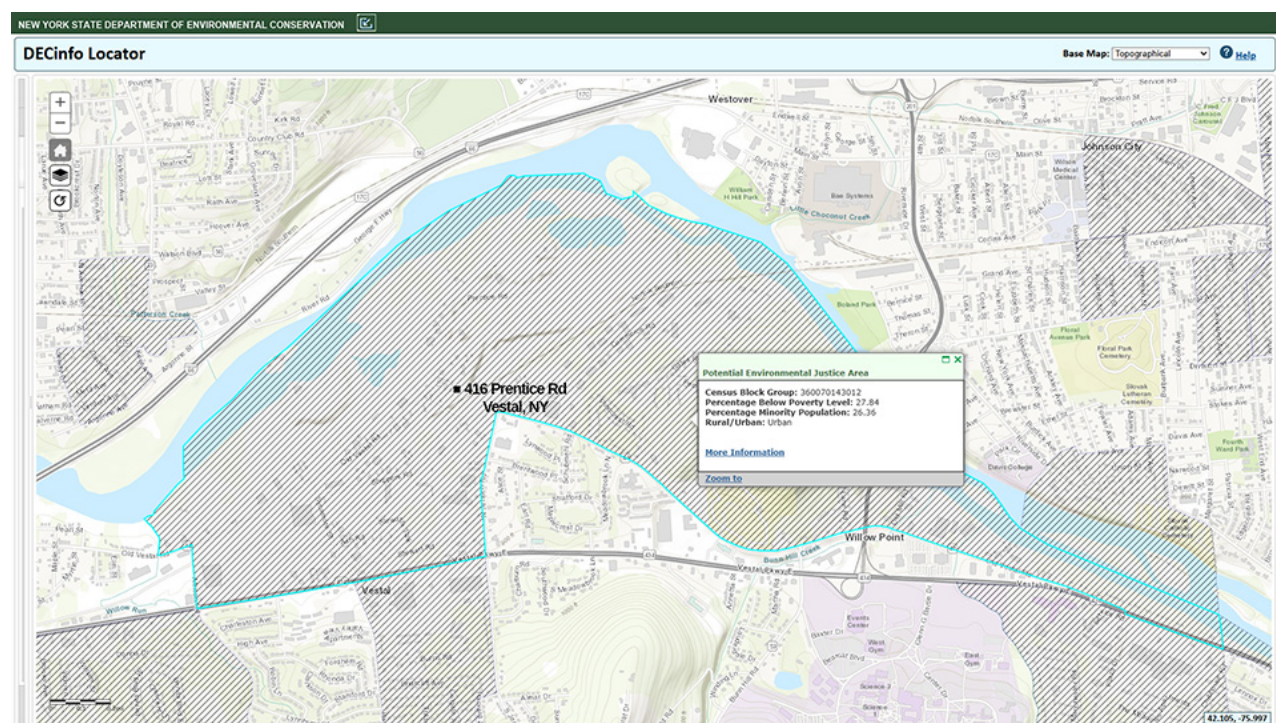


Figure 1. Project Location and Potential Environmental Justice Area(s)

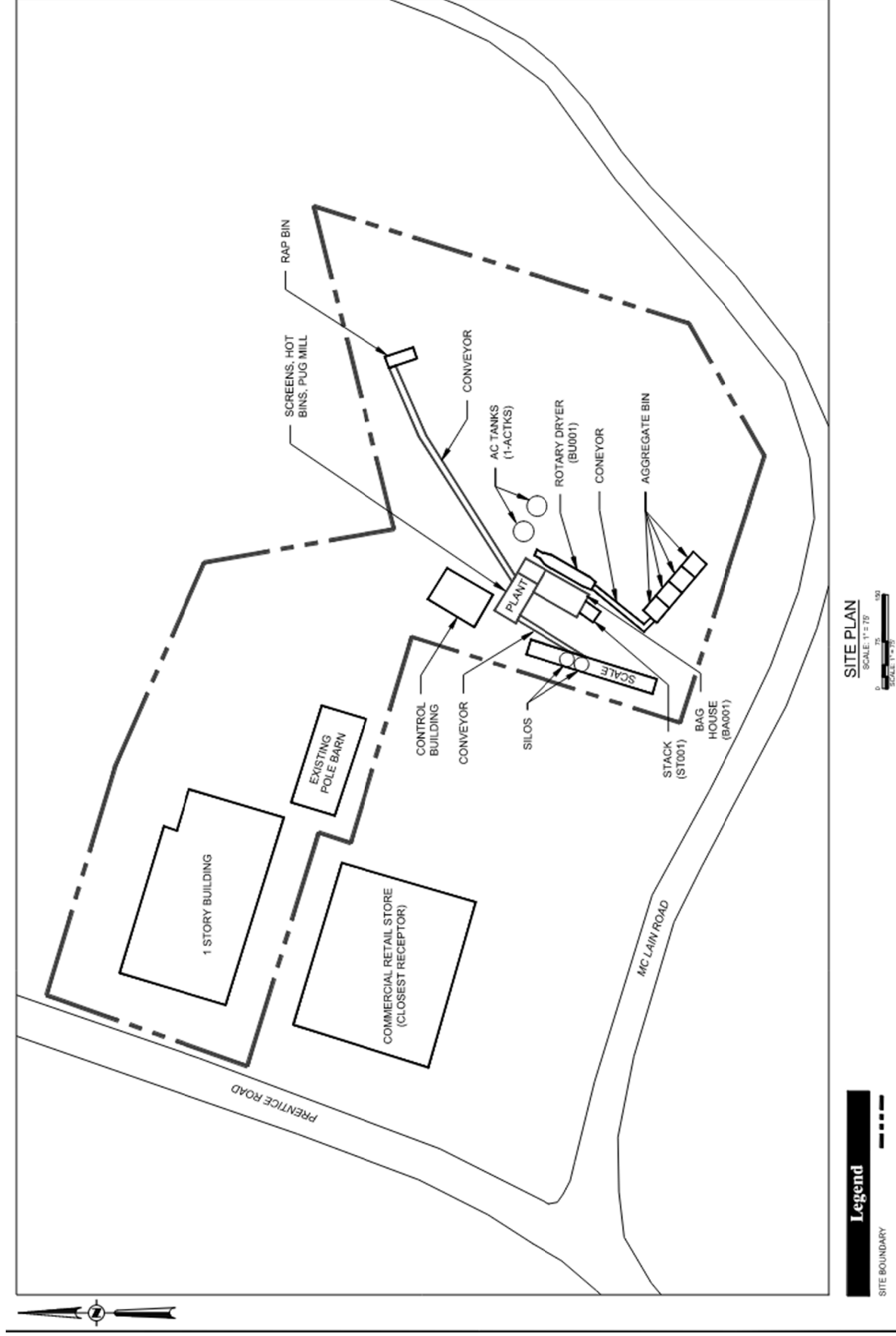


Figure 2. Site Plan

II. PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND PROPOSED ACTION

Project Overview

The applicant proposes to continue operating an existing asphalt plant. To implement the proposed project, the applicant has submitted an application to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) for a state facility permit for the existing asphalt plant at 416 Prentice Rd, Vestal, NY 13850.

Nature of Proposed Project/Action and Purpose

Continue operation of a hot mix asphalt batch plant. The plant consists of a hot elevator, screens, cold feed bins, mixer, natural gas rotary dryer, baghouse with cloth filters, two silos and two asphalt cement tanks with a hot oil burner. The asphalt plant provides hot and warm mix asphalt for local public and private paving operations.

The production of asphalt begins with using a loader to fill cold feed bins with aggregates (stone, sand and recycled asphalt product (RAP)). These aggregates are then fed into the plant by conveyor belts, heated and mixed with hot liquid asphalt cement to create the finished hot or warm mix asphalt. The finished asphalt product is then either loaded into transport vehicles or loaded into storage silos to be used later.

Potential Impacts

As an asphalt plant has been in operation at this site for 37 years, there are no identifiable impacts that the proposed action and permitting decision will have on the community or neighborhood.

III. STAKEHOLDER IDENTIFICATION & CONTACT LIST

A contact list consisting of the names, addresses, phone numbers, or email addresses of stakeholders to the proposed action is provided in Appendix A. The contact list includes individuals and organizations with a direct stake in the proposed action and people and individuals and organizations that have expressed interest in the proposed project or similar projects affecting the same neighborhood or community.

The applicant will utilize this contact list to communicate and disseminate information about the proposed project/action and permit application review process to the affected community and stakeholders. At minimum, this includes distribution of the written information and outreach materials described in Section V to inform the community about upcoming public meetings and opportunities for public participation.

The contact list will be reviewed periodically and updated as appropriate throughout the permit application review process. The applicant will update the contact list with any new

stakeholders identified during the public meeting or execution of other PPP components. In addition, individuals and organizations will be added to the contact list upon request. Such requests should be submitted to the project liaison identified in Section IV. Other additions to the contact list may be made at the discretion of the applicant or, at the request of the NYSDEC project manager, in consultation with other NYSDEC staff, as appropriate.

IV. PROJECT LIAISON

A representative from the project team will be available during business hours at:

- Nathan Walz, Safety Director
- 607-729-0498
- permitting@broomebituminous.com
- 416 Prentice Rd, Vestal, NY 13850

Impacted residents and interested stakeholders can contact the project liaison listed above to provide input to the project team, discuss any issues or concerns and/or to ask questions or request information. The project liaison shall respond in a timely manner and in the manner appropriate to question or information request received. The project liaison will be responsible for tracking and documenting public input, inquires, questions, and information requests received, along with responses provided.

V. PUBLIC OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

The applicant will prepare and provide a fact sheet to the entities listed in Appendix A for posting. The fact sheet will be presented in an easy-to-read, understandable format, using plain language free of legal terminology, and geared towards a non-technical audience

Fact Sheet Preparation and Distribution

Factual information on the proposed project/action, including an overview, purpose statement, and potential impacts, is outlined in the reader-friendly fact sheet shown in Appendix C. In addition, the fact sheet outlines how interested stakeholders can: participate in the permit application review process; access the online document repository to review relevant application and contact the project team to obtain additional information. The fact sheet has been prepared in English and will be translated into [TBD] by a certified translator.

Once the PPP has been approved by NYSDEC the fact sheet will be posted, distributed and available in the online document repository described in Section VI of this document. The fact sheet will be distributed via email, mail and/or hand delivery (door-to-door).

VI. DOCUMENT REPOSITORY

An online document repository has been established for the community and interested stakeholders to access and review information about the project. The online repository available at www.broomebituminous.com/permit will provide information and documents relating to the project and permit application.

The repository will be updated throughout the application process with project-related information and written materials (i.e., application forms and supporting materials, draft permit, fact sheet, statement of basis (where applicable), the Notice of Complete Application provided by the NYSDEC, etc.).

VII. SUBMISSIONS

Final Summary Report and Written Certification

Upon completion of the enhanced public participation plan, the applicant will submit written certification to NYSDEC to certify that it has fully executed and complied with the approved PPP. The certification shall be signed by the applicant, or the applicant's agent, and submitted to NYSDEC prior to a final decision on the application.

As part of the certification, the applicant shall submit a final summary report documenting the implementation of this PPP. The report will summarize the activities that occurred in accordance with the PPP and will identify any substantive concerns raised by stakeholders during the public meeting, or, at any time throughout the permitting process and detail the applicant's response(s) to any such concerns or questions. The applicant will include, or append, any documentation that supports the final summary report, such as: the meeting sign-in sheet(s), record of attendees/participants, meeting presentation, notes or minutes, summary of questions and answers, and copy of newspaper notice or other proof of publication. In addition, the report will identify any changes or modifications to the proposed project that were made or considered by the applicant to address or reduce concerns surrounding the permit application.

The final summary report and written certification will become part of the application record and will be posted to the online document repository so that it is readily available to the public.

APPENDIX A

Contact List

Category	Organization Name	Mailing Address	Phone	Contact Email
Civic / Community	Vestal Public Library	320 Vestal Pkwy E, Vestal, NY 13850	(607) 754-4243	info@vestalpubliclibrary.org
Civic / Community	United Way of Broome County	101 Jensen Rd, Vestal, NY 13850 (Physical) / P.O. Box 550, Binghamton, NY 13902	(607) 240-2000	info@uwbroome.org
Environmental	Broome County Environmental Management Council	c/o Broome County Office Bldg, 60 Hawley St, Binghamton, NY 13901	County liaison phone: (607) 778-2411	bcemc@broomecountyny.gov

APPENDIX B
Virtual Public Meeting Notice
(not required at this time)

APPENDIX C
Fact Sheet
(English and TBD)

State Facility Permit for Existing Asphalt Plant Fact Sheet

- **Project:** New State Facility Permit for an existing Asphalt Plant
- **Applicant:** Broome Bituminous Products, Inc
- **Facility:** Broome Bituminous Products, Inc, 416 Prentice Rd, Vestal, NY 13850
- **NYSDEC Application Number:** TBD
- **A Public Participation Plan (PPP) has been developed in accordance with NYSDEC Commissioner Policy 29, Environmental Justice and Permitting (CP-29)**

What is the Proposed Project?

The applicant proposes to continue operating an existing asphalt plant at 416 Prentice Rd, Vestal, NY 13850. To implement the proposed project, the applicant has submitted an application to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) for a Air State Facility permit for the existing asphalt plant. The purpose of this fact sheet is to inform the public about this proposed project and to involve the community during the NYSDEC permit application review process.

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Why does Broome Bituminous Products, Inc need to submit an application for an Air State Facility permit?

New York State has changed their laws (6 NYCRR Part 220), regulations and agency guidance such that the current asphalt plant located at 416 Prentice Rd, Vestal NY is being required to change their Air Facility Registration to a State Facility Permit.

There has been no change in the operation of the existing asphalt plant.

How might the project affect the surrounding community?

There is no impact to the surrounding community as this is just an adjustment to an existing asphalt plant permitting.

How can I participate in the permit review process?

- Ask questions, express concerns, provide input or submit by comments in writing, by phone or email to the project contact person identified below.
Nathan Walz, Safety Director
416 Prentice Rd, Vestal, NY 13850
607-729-0498
permitting@broomebituminous.com

Where can I get more information about the proposed project?

- Visit the online document repository at: www.broomebituminous.com/permit to obtain application materials, relevant documents, and information about the project.
- Contact Nathan Walz by phone at: 607-729-0498, by email at: permitting@broomebituminous.com or in writing at: PO Box 354, Vestal, NY 13851 for information on the project or to find out about the status of the permit application and public comment period.

Who is responsible for reviewing the Permit Application?

- NYSDEC Region 7 Headquarters, 5786 Widewaters Parkway, Syracuse, NY 13214 is responsible for reviewing and issuing the required permits. Tel: (315-426-7438); email: dep.r7@dec.ny.gov