

The Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) is committed to protecting the environment and public health. This includes working with state and federal agencies to identify contaminated sites and create plans to protect Chicagoans. CDPH is investing more than \$20 million in American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding to clean up priority sites.





Building off the work and advocacy of community partners, the Schroud Site, **located southwest of the intersection of East 126th Place and South Avenue O** in Chicago, has been identified as a priority. CDPH and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) are installing additional barriers to keep people off the property, which contains hazardous slag material from Republic/LTV steel manufacturing operations. Then we'll continue to work with the community on a longer-term investigation to develop a remediation plan.

ABOUT THE SITE



The site was formerly used to store and dump slag materials, which were onsite when Donald Schroud bought it from LTV Steel Company in 1994. The material has yet to be removed by the property owner as required by law. Since 2000, the US EPA, Illinois EPA and CDPH have been closely monitoring the Schroud Site.

In addition to other measures:

-  The US EPA added the site to the Superfund National Priorities List in November 2019.
-  The City installed barriers and has taken steps to hold the property owner accountable for improper management of the site and failure to comply with clean-up requirements through lawsuits, citations, fines and an abatement order on April 26, 2017.
-  The US EPA installed an additional barrier system near the north end of the site in January 2022.
-  CDPH will complete the installation of barriers and continue to plan for clean-up with the community and EPA in 2023.

STAY SAFE



Slag is a byproduct of the steel making process that is sometimes recycled into other products. Sampling revealed the Schroud Site is contaminated with lead, chromium, calcium, cyanide, mercury, magnesium and manganese.

There is no evidence of a health threat to people who live near the site. Adverse health effects are most pronounced following long-term, repeated exposure to slag.

Trespassing is not allowed and people are strongly advised to stay off the Schroud Site. If you see any unauthorized individuals on or know of any unauthorized plans to access the site, please contact 911.

QUESTIONS?



- For additional information about the Schroud Site, visit epa.gov/superfund/schroud-property.
- To learn more about the effects of slag exposure, contact Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) at (217) 785-2045 or email Aaron.J.Burlingham@Illinois.gov.
- If you have additional concerns about potential exposure to materials onsite, please contact your doctor.



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