

# Environmental Remediation

## Superfund Cleanup, Brownfields, and More

City, State and Federal agencies are working on the cleanup of the Gowanus Canal and surrounding environs. Generally, contamination resulted from:

- Coal gasification plants that produced, among other byproducts, coal tar. Container leaks and improper disposal allowed the coal tar to leach into the soil and migrate over the years into the Canal and adjacent properties.
- Storm and Combined Sewer Overflows along with other industrial wastes discharged directly into the Canal.

The Gowanus Neighborhood Study is committed to supporting the continued cleanup throughout the neighborhood, through coordination between existing cleanup efforts and bringing additional tools to promote the cleanup of upland brownfield sites.

### What do you want to see in Gowanus?

### Give us your thoughts and suggestions!

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Fulton Municipal Gas Works MGP  
Gowanus, 1924

## Key Priorities or Initiatives

There are a number of current, planned or recently completed initiatives to support cleanup of the Canal proper and surrounding environs. Some of these include:

- EPA - Gowanus Canal Remedial Action (RA)
- NYS DEC - Fulton Municipal Works and Citizen Gas Works MGP Sites
- NYS DEC - Various Voluntary Cleanup Agreements
- NYC DEP - CSO Tanks RH-034 and OH-007
- NYC DEP - Long Term Control Plan (LTCP)
- NYC DEP - Gowanus Flushing Tunnel Modernization
- NYC DEP - Gowanus Pump Station Reconstruction
- NYC DEP - Green Infrastructure (GI)



**Stay in Touch! Come to the resiliency and sustainability meeting on December 8th!**