THERE'S MORE TO LEVE AT TINLEY PARK - PARK DISTRICT



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Get the latest news on our cleanup project below!

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Phase 2

We're excited that Phase 2 of the extensive environmental cleanup of all 280

acres of the property will begin soon!

Our Phase 2 contractor, Brandenburg Industrial Service Co., will begin mobilizing to the site the first week in December. Under Phase 2, the remainder of the abatement work inside buildings and demolition will continue, with nearly every building remaining on site to be razed. Phase 2 of cleanup will also include work through the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's Site Remediation Program, which will prepare the property for redevelopment.

In addition to the contractor's Phase 2 work, asbestos air monitoring and demolition dust monitoring will continue to be performed on site by contractor True North Consultants to ensure the cleanup continues to be safe for the surrounding community.

While the Phase 2 work gears up to begin, our close out of the work performed under Phase 1 also will continue on site by the previous contractor, Omega III LLC.



Additional State Funding

The \$18 million in state grant funding for Phase 2 of this project follows the initial \$15 million grant the Park District received from the state to complete Phase 1 work. The funding ensures we can finally clean up this site that was owned by the state of Illinois for decades – without asking our residents to foot the bill!

The additional \$18 million in state funding granted to the Park District was necessary due to several factors, including that cost estimates were prepared during the 2013-2014 timeframe.

In addition, once the cleanup project began, the Park District's team of experts

were finally able to access all areas of the site, including many areas that have not been accessed for years due to overgrown vegetation and unsafe building conditions. The team was able to better assess the work needed and found the cleanup to be more extensive than the initial estimates to complete the abatement and demolition work consistent with environmental laws.

Other factors included inflation and rising construction costs, the continued degradation of the abandoned buildings on site, as well as the need for extensive abatement and additional work to address storm water build up in basements, tunnels and throughout the site.



Stay in the Know

Learn more about the cleanup through our community-driven Remediate 280 Committee that convenes monthly to discuss the state-funded cleanup in more detail. Find the schedule on our <u>website</u>.

You can also find a helpful guide of frequently asked questions about the cleanup work on <u>our website</u>.



Stay Informed

Learn more about the cleanup's progress on <u>our website</u> and through <u>our social media channels: Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

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