

New York City Clean Soil Bank

What is the NYC Clean Soil Bank?

The NYC Clean Soil Bank is a pilot program launched by the Office of Environmental Remediation (OER) to meet the growing need for affordable clean soil to facilitate brownfield cleanup projects, to promote for city capital construction projects and to make properties and communities more resilient to climate change. OER recognizes the potential for the recycling of clean soil excavated from construction projects enrolled in the NYC Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). The NYC Clean Soil Bank enables the transfer of certified clean soil between construction projects by matching cleanup and development projects that are producing excess clean soil with development projects that need it. This program does not allow the imposition of a charge for the tipping of soil, however, parties are expected to arrange for the costs of soil transportation in a mutually acceptable manner. Generally transportation will be provided by the developer that is generating the clean soil. Use of the NYC Clean Soil Bank is free of charge and both parties are required to indemnify the city before using this service.

Are you looking to EXPORT excess clean soil from your development project?

If your project is in the NYC VCP or the E-Designation program and you have an approved RAWP or RAP, you can apply to use the NYC Clean Soil Bank. Fill out a [Clean Soil Bank Availability Form](#) and email it to OER (contacts below). If you qualify for the program, your clean soil will be advertised to match your project with city agencies and other cleanup projects in NYC that need clean soil. Parties requesting import clean soil will contact you directly to establish a match.

Are you looking to IMPORT clean soil for your development project?

Review postings on the Clean Soil Bank established by OER and if you find posting that looks like a good match for your development project fill out a [Clean Soil Request Form](#) and email it to OER (contact below). OER will email you the name of the primary contact for the site of your clean soil match. You call them directly to establish a match.

Tips for successfully using the Clean Soil Bank:

- Be proactive and communicate with OER early in the process to let us know of your interest in the Clean Soil Bank Program;
- Post a realistic schedule for clean soil availability. The success of this program depends upon the coordination of project schedules;
- Be flexible about the timing of receipt of soil since the source is a development site and not a commercial vendor;
- Give feedback: as always, OER is interested in your experience with this program;
- Spread the word!

Please visit www.nyc.gov/oer for more information

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