



## WHAT IS THE SITE?

Located at 421 Archibald Street, the site is a former industrial property that is currently owned by Winniman Land Company Limited. The site is located on the east bank of the Seine River in an industrial area of St. Boniface.

Historically, the site has had several owners and was used for many industrial purposes including a crude coal tar distillation facility and a roofing products manufacturing facility. Coal tar and asphalt were both used in the past on the site. As a result of historic activities, there is contamination on the site.

### INVESTIGATION HISTORY

Several environmental investigations have been completed since 1995. Investigations have confirmed that:

- Shallow soil and groundwater on the site are contaminated;
- Deep groundwater has not been adversely affected;
- Tarry material is present on the site and beneath the sediment under the Seine River adjacent to the site; and
- Some of the sediment in the Seine River is contaminated.

## REMEDIAL ACTION

Conestoga-Rovers & Associates (CRA) was retained to complete environmental investigations and to design the cleanup activities. Working closely with Manitoba Conservation and consulting with, among others, representatives from Save Our Seine, the approved remediation includes:

- Excavating and disposing of contaminated soil and sediment off site;
- Backfilling with clean materials;
- Diverting the Seine River around the work area during sediment excavation activities;
- Reconstructing/restoring the affected riverbed next to the site, including ecological improvements to enhance fish and wildlife habitat; and
- Long-term monitoring.



Seine River adjacent to the Site

## MOVING FORWARD

Initial preparation of the site commenced in May 2008. The next phase of the remediation plan is scheduled to commence from June to November 2009. During this stage, users of the Seine River and the General Public may be affected as follows:

- Recreational use of the Seine River will be prohibited in the vicinity of the site during remediation;
- The walking path between Cabana Place and Rue Deschambault will be closed during remediation;
- A tar-like odour may be noticeable in the area during times of active excavation, and poses no hazard to either the flora or fauna;
- Construction-related noise may be noticeable (Monday-Saturday); and
- There will be increased truck traffic along Archibald Street.

We will also communicate all closings in the Winnipeg Free Press, La Liberté, along the river and within the Save our Seine website ([www.saveourseine.com](http://www.saveourseine.com)).