

# 9 PUBLIC HEALTH

## 9.1 Introduction

As defined in the 2020 CEQR Technical Manual, public health is the organized effort of society to protect and improve the health and well-being of the population through monitoring; assessment and surveillance; health promotion; prevention of disease, injury, disorder, disability and premature death; and reducing inequalities in health status. Per Chapter 20 of the *CEQR Technical Manual*, the goal of a public health assessment is “to determine whether adverse impacts on public health may occur as a result of a proposed project and, if so, to identify measures to mitigate such effects.”

The majority of development projects do not require a public health assessment. According to the *CEQR Technical Manual*, if there are no significant unmitigated adverse impacts identified in CEQR analysis areas such as air quality, water quality, hazardous materials, noise, or construction, a public health analysis is not warranted.

## 9.2 Principal Conclusions

The Proposed Actions would not result in unmitigated significant adverse impacts in any of the technical areas that contribute to public health. Therefore, the Proposed Actions would not result in a significant adverse public health impact, and no further analysis is warranted.

## 9.3 Preliminary Screening

As described in the relevant analyses of the Environmental Assessment Statement and this ~~Draft~~ Final Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS/FEIS), the Proposed Actions would not result in unmitigated significant adverse impacts in CEQR the technical areas of air quality, water and sewer infrastructure, hazardous materials, or noise. During construction, air quality emissions and noise would not rise to levels that would create a public health impact. As discussed in FEIS Chapter 11, “Construction,” and Chapter 13, “Mitigation,” temporary construction noise impacts were identified where project-generated construction has the potential to

temporarily exceed CEQR impact criteria at up to 11 properties. A restrictive declaration tied to the Applicant's site would ensure certain noise controls would be implemented during construction that exceed the measures required in the New York City Noise Control Code. ~~Therefore~~ With these measures in place, the Proposed Actions would not result in a significant adverse public health impact, and further analysis is not warranted.