



FACT SHEET

October 2008

Glenmere Lake Property
SITE No. E336071
Pine Hill Road
Town of Chester, New York

Site Investigation to Begin

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) announce that an investigation is to be conducted at the Glenmere Lake Property site in the Town of Chester. Work is scheduled to begin later this month. The site is a 9.9-acre parcel located on Pine Hill Road on the north end of Glenmere Lake. It is located to the southeast of the intersection of Glenmere Avenue and Pine Hill Road. (*See location map on page 2*).

Work is being performed under the NYSDEC's Environmental Restoration Program (ERP). Under the ERP, the state provides grants to municipalities to reimburse up to 90 percent of eligible costs for site investigation and remediation activities at brownfield sites. A brownfield is any real property that is difficult to redevelop or reuse due to the presence or potential presence of contamination. Once remediated, the property can then be reused.

Site Description: The site is located at the north end of Glenmere Lake in a rural area. Much of the site is wooded, but it also contains several dilapidated buildings and there are several petroleum storage tanks located in the vicinity of those buildings. It is unknown if the tanks have leaked. The site was formerly a portion of a 1440-acre estate. The Glenmere Lake Property site contained stables, a maintenance facility and servant quarters associated with the estate. These buildings are now in severe disrepair. The site was also formerly a portion of a golf course. Orange County obtained the property for back taxes in 1978.

Glenmere Lake is a known habitat for the Northern cricket frog, which is an endangered species in New York State. Activities at the site will be conducted to prevent/minimize the potential for impact to the Northern cricket frog.

Investigation Activities: The investigation of the site will determine the nature and extent of contamination at the site and will result in a remedy being selected for the site. The investigation activities are described in the Site Investigation/Remedial Alternatives Work Plan (SI/RA WP) and will include the collection of several soil and groundwater samples from across the site to determine if contamination exists at the site and the extent of such contamination. Plans also call for the demolition of several buildings and removal of petroleum tanks during the investigation phase of the project. Further information on the demolition will be communicated in a future fact sheet.

The Site Investigation/Remedial Alternatives (SI/RA) Work Plan, along with the Citizen Participation Plan and other site-related documents, are available for review at the document repositories listed below. The SI/RA describes the planned investigation

Document Repositories

Florida Public Library
4 Cohen Circle
Florida, NY 10921
845-651-7659
Hours: M-Th, 10 am - 8 pm
F-Sat, 10 am - 5 pm
Sun, 12 pm - 5 pm (Sept - June)

NYSDEC Region 3 Office
21 S. Putt Corners Road
New Paltz, NY 12561
845-256-3154
Attn: Michael Knipfing
Hours: M-F,
8:30 AM - 4:45 PM

NYSDEC Remedial Bureau C
625 Broadway, 11th Floor
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For Further Information: You are encouraged to contact the following persons with your questions, comments or concerns. If you know of anyone who would like to be added to the mailing list for this Site, please contact the NYSDEC representative listed on this Fact Sheet.

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For information about the ERP, visit the website <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8444.html>

