



Department of
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Conservation

FACT SHEET

Saranac Lake Gas Co.
Payeville Lane, Saranac Lake, NY

State Superfund Program

Site No. 516008

NYSDEC Region 5

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Where to Find Information:

Project documents are available at the following location(s) to help the public stay informed.

Saranac Lake Free Library

100 Main Street
Saranac Lake, NY 12983
(518) 891-4190
Call for hours

NYSDEC, Region 5 Office

1115 Route 86 – PO Box 296
Ray Brook, NY 12977
Call in advance: (518) 897-1200
Hours: Mon. to Fri. 8:30 AM to 4:45 PM

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For additional information on the New York's State Superfund Program, visit:
www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html

Environmental Cleanup Status Update for State Superfund Site

This fact sheet provides an update of remedial cleanup activities to address contamination related to the Saranac Lake Gas Co. Site ("site") located at Payeville Lane, Saranac Lake, Essex County, under New York's State Superfund (SSF) Program.

The remedy will address contamination in Pontiac Bay of Lake Flower and Brandy Brook. The site cleanup remedy chosen includes the removal and disposal of contaminated sediment and soils in Pontiac Bay of Lake Flower and in and along Brandy Brook. While the final design and operation plan are not complete, DEC seeks to inform the public of the current proposed plan.

Cleanup activities are tentatively scheduled to be conducted in the 2018 construction season – April through the end of November. Some restoration activities will be completed in spring 2019. Construction services will be procured during the winter months. Following selection of a contractor, additional details regarding work sequencing, scheduling, controls, etc., will be available.

A significant portion of the New York State Department of Conservation (DEC) Lake Flower Boat Launch and the village of Saranac Lake's property adjacent to Pontiac Bay will be required for dewatering and transfer operations, equipment staging, and other activities. This includes the "Ice Palace" parcel. DEC will require the "Ice Palace" parcel is left in a condition that allows it to be utilized during Saranac Lake's Winter Carnival.

The DEC Lake Flower Boat Launch is expected to remain open during this time but parking will not be available. The public will need to find alternate parking after launching their boats or use the DEC Second Pond Boat Launch. Paddlers and others with car-top boats are encouraged to use the DEC Ampersand Bay Hand Launch.

Engineering controls and best management practices will be required during the construction activities and will include the following:

- Flagmen and other appropriate traffic control measures will be to control the flow of traffic on Route 86 and Lake Flower Avenue.
- Efforts will be made to minimize odor, dust, and noise impacts, including but not limited to:
 - Loading trucks underneath a tent with an air filtration system,
 - Covering loads with tarps prior to leaving the site, and
 - Using odor control foam on the excavated sediment
- Storm water management and erosion controls will be required to prevent runoff from the site and recontamination

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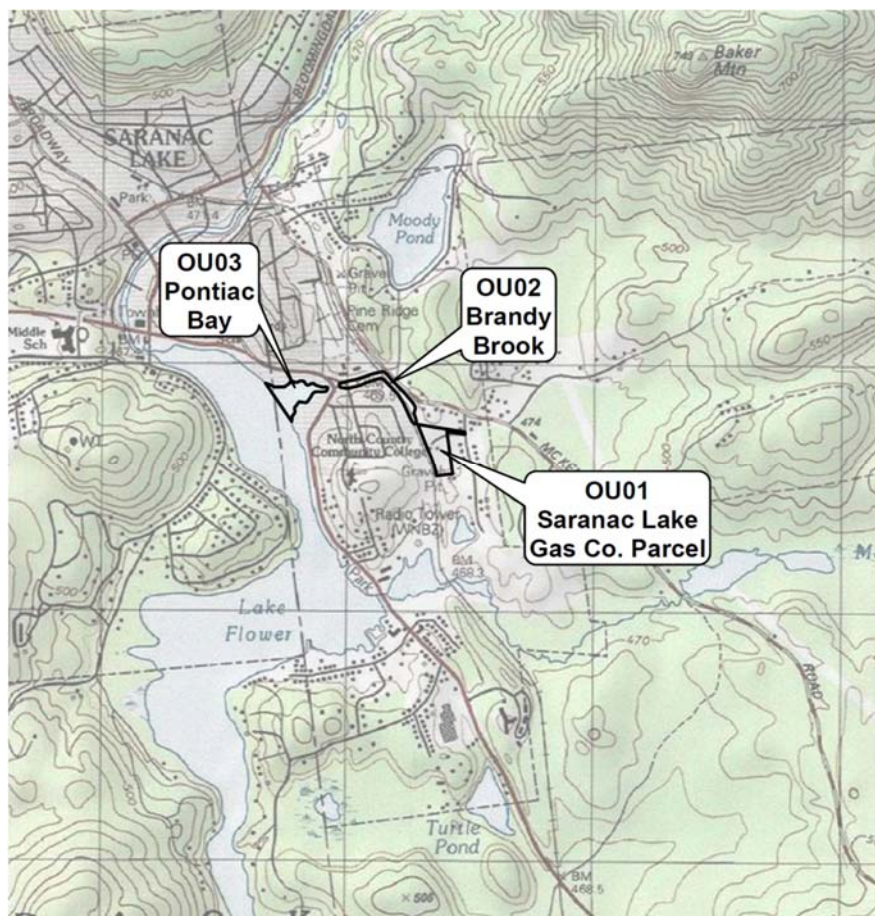
DEC will continue to work cooperatively with the village to ensure timely and complete communication with the public. DEC and the village will meet with local businesses in early December 2017, to discuss the upcoming activities. An informational meeting will be held prior to the start of work after details are finalized.

Summary of Work

The areas excavated will be backfilled with material that provides a suitable ecological habitat. The site cleanup activities will result in improved drainage along Brandy Brook and Pontiac Bay due to upgrading and cleaning culverts, clearing fallen trees and debris from Brandy Brook, and reworking drainage to discharge further into Pontiac Bay, allowing for less sedimentation close to the shore. The remedial activities are expected to result in a positive economic impact for the village due to the project's work force and necessary support services such as fuel, and restaurants and hotel accommodations.

A Site Location Map is below. Additional Site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the Site ID, 516008) at:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/cfm/externalapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>



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