



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](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html)

## **Cleanup Action to Begin at State Superfund Site Availability Session Announced**

**Availability Session, Tuesday 3/13/2018 at 7:00 PM**

**Harrietstown Auditorium, 39 Main Street, Saranac Lake, NY**

NYSDEC invites you to this discussion about cleanup activities about to begin at the site. Drop in any time during the session to ask questions and discuss the upcoming site activities.

Action is about to begin that will address the contamination related to the Saranac Lake Gas Co. Inc. site ("site) located at Payeville Road, Saranac Lake, Essex County under New York's State Superfund Program. Please see the map for the site location.

The remedy will address contamination in Pontiac Bay of Lake Flower and Brandy Brook. The site cleanup remedy chosen for the site includes the removal and disposal of contaminated sediment and soils in Pontiac Bay of Lake Flower and in and along Brandy Brook.

Cleanup activities are tentatively scheduled to be conducted in the 2018 construction season – April through end of November. Some restoration activities will be completed in the Spring of 2019. A contractor has been selected and the construction services are in the process of being procured. Details regarding work sequencing, scheduling, controls, etc. will be available during the availability session.

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 which allows it to be utilized during Saranac Lake's Winter Carnival, as it has been during recent winter carnivals.

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 tops boats are encouraged to use the DEC Ampersand Bay Hand Launch.

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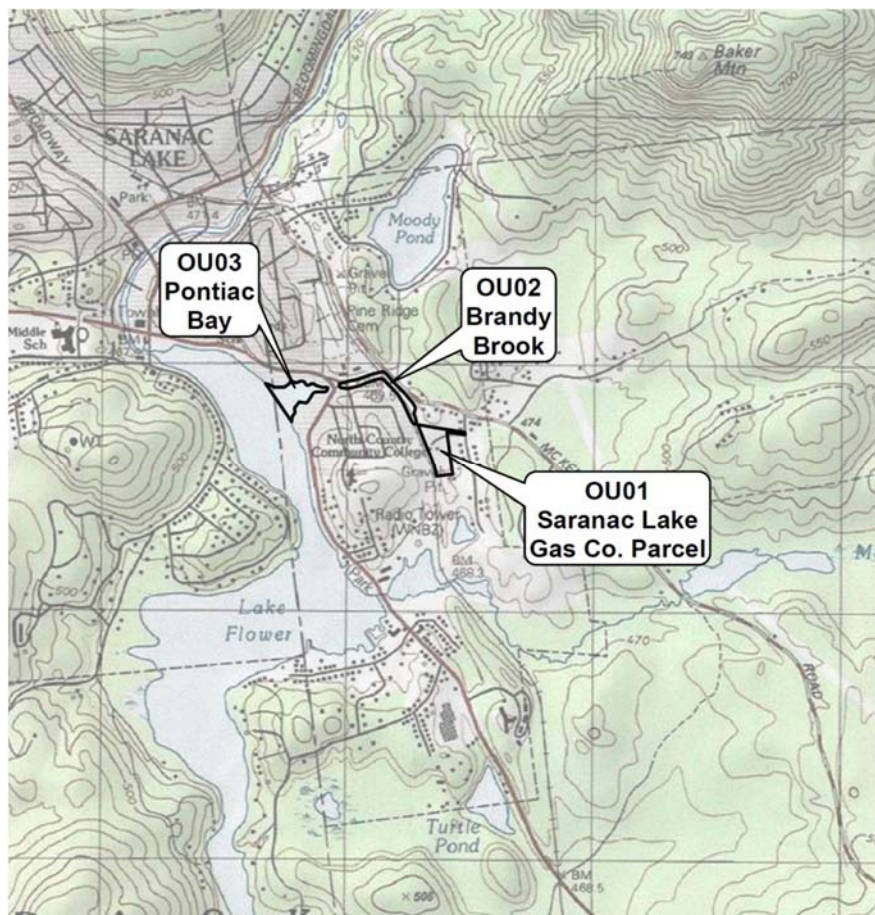
DEC will continue to work cooperatively with the village to ensure timely and complete communication with the public.

## Summary of Work

The areas excavated will be backfilled with material which 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, 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/cfmx/extapps/derexternal/index.cfm?pageid=3>



### **Receive Site Fact Sheets by Email**

Have site information such as this fact sheet sent right to your email inbox. NYSDEC invites you to sign up with one or more contaminated sites county email listservs available at the following web page:

[www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/61092.html)

It's quick, it's free, and it will help keep you better informed. As a listserv member, you will periodically receive site-related information/announcements for all contaminated sites in the county(ies) you select. Select Essex County to obtain information and announcements regarding this project.