NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF



ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

The purpose of this Fact Sheet is to update the public on the progress of cleanup activities at the Stauffer -Skaneateles Falls Site.

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PROJECT UPDATE

EXCAVATION ACTIVITIES CONTINUE. MAIN PLANT DEMOLITION SCHEDULED

STAUFFER - SKANEATELES FALLS SITE

HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE # 7-34-010

SKANEATELES FALLS, N.Y.

JUNE 2003

INTRODUCTION

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) and Stauffer Management Company (Stauffer), is providing this fact sheet update to inform the public on the progress of cleanup activities at the Stauffer - Skaneateles Falls Site located at 4512 Jordan Road in the Town of Skaneateles Falls (see attached Figures 1). Stauffer is funding and performing the cleanup at this site under a legal agreement with the NYSDEC in accordance with the December 2001 Amended Record of Decision (AROD). The cleanup is necessary to treat groundwater and remove soils contaminated with organic chemicals and detergents (primarily toluic acid and xylene).

The AROD revised the 1996 ROD and requires Stauffer to excavate the Areas of Environmental Concern (AECs) at the site and to dispose of the contaminated soil and debris off site at a permitted landfill, rather than constructing an on-site treatment cell for the on-site containment and treatment of the wastes (see Figure 2). The Amended ROD also includes the sampling and monitoring of deep groundwater, the demolition of the existing main plant building, and the cleanup of the other identified AECs including the south plant area, north plant area, and main plant building area. Other site remedial elements, including the site-wide groundwater remediation and sediment removal from Skaneateles Creek have been retained from the 1996 ROD.

RECENT SITE ACTIVITY OVERVIEW

Stauffer is implementing the cleanup in six phases utilizing Abscope Environmental, Inc. (Abscope) as their contractor to perform the work. The first phase of work began during the summer of 2002 and involves the former landfill (AEC-1). The phase 1 work plan was approved by the NYSDEC and NYSDOH in August 2002. Excavation activities were initiated within AEC-1 on September 9, 2002 and are ongoing. To date, a total of 66,000 tons of waste debris have been excavated. Approximately 64,000 tons of waste debris have been shipped off site as non-hazardous waste and 775 tons shipped off site as hazardous waste (see Figures 3 and 4). Excavated waste awaiting characterization for off-site disposal are being staged on top of the landfill, in soil piles within the open excavation, and in covered metal containers. Excavation activities to date have primarily concentrated on removing the waste mass consisting of black stained soil, crushed drum carcasses, drum lids, drum rims, and metal debris. The extent to which the

remaining contaminated soil will be excavated will be determined by soil sampling to be performed throughout the summer months. Also during excavation activities, Stauffer upgraded the existing wastewater treatment facility in order to actively collect and treat the groundwater from on-site recovery wells and the open excavation. Cleanup activities have been conducted in accordance with the Health and Safety Plan (HASP) and Community Air Monitoring Plan under the observation of the NYSDEC ensuring that appropriate dust suppression and monitoring procedures are in place and operating efficiently.

In addition to AEC-1 excavation activities, asbestos and lead removal activities have been completed within the former main plant building on site located adjacent to Jordan Road. Moreover, the above ground tank farm to the south of the main plant building has also been decommissioned. All wastes generated from those activities were transported and properly disposed off site.

Anticipated Project Schedule

Excavation activities within AEC-1 are expected to continue into the summer of 2003. The current goal is to complete backfilling, grading, and reseeding of AEC-1 by the end of the year. Work plans addressing the second phase of soil remediation in front of the main plant building, within the south plant area and within the north plant area, are currently under review by the NYSDEC. It is the objective to approve the work plans in the summer of 2003. Pending approval, excavation work is scheduled to be initiated in those areas beginning in July 2003. The NYSDEC and its construction oversight contractor, Dvirka & Bartilucci Consulting Engineers (D&B), will continue to observe the cleanup activities being performed at the site.

Secondly, Stauffer has recently awarded the contract for demolition of the main plant building to Abscope. Demolition activities of the main plant building are scheduled to be initiated in June 2003 and expected to be completed in August 2003. The Stauffer work plan for the demolition of the building was approved by the NYSDEC in December 2002. Abscope's demolition plan is currently under review by the State. Once finalized, a copy of the final contractor's work plan will be placed into the document repositories identified below.

Document Repositories and Contacts

The public is also encouraged to ask questions and to visit the site Document Repositories where the 1996 ROD, the 2001 Amended ROD, the remedial design documents, main plant building demolition work plan and other site related documents are available for your review. The document repositories as well as appropriate contacts established for this site are provided below. Should you have any comments or questions, or if you know someone whom would like to be added to the project mailing list, please send in the attached mailer or contact one of the people listed. You do **not** have to return the mailer if you received this fact sheet in the mail; your name will automatically remain on the mailing list.

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Figure 1 - Site Location

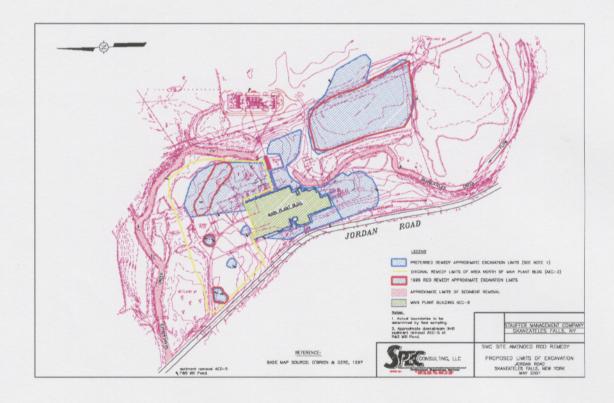


Figure 2 - Proposed Limits of Excavation



Figure 3 - View of AEC-1 Excavation Activities

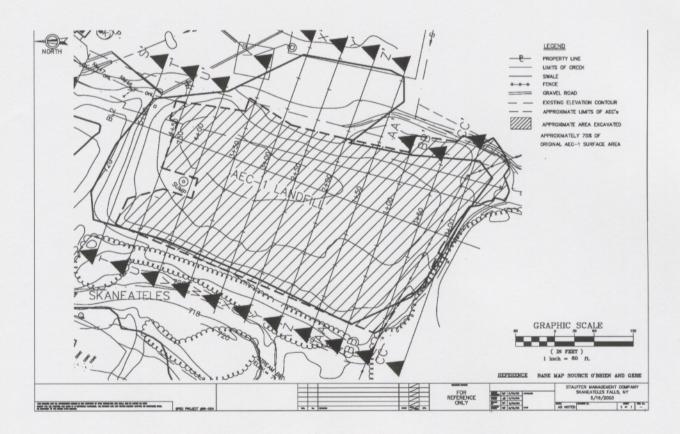


Figure 4 - AEC 1 Waste Mass Excavation Progress thru May 2003