

FORMER GENEVA FOUNDRY SITE

Off-Site Air Deposition Area Cleanup

State Superfund Program

23 Jackson Street, Geneva, NY 14456

WHO TO CONTACT



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For Information on New York's State Superfund Program, Site No. C835027A:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/107812.html>

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) will complete the cleanup of properties in neighborhoods adjacent to the Former Geneva Foundry Site (Site No. C835027A), located at 23 Jackson Street in Geneva, Ontario County, in 2024 (see Figure 1 on page 2). As specified in the January 2017 Record of Decision (ROD), the cleanup includes removal of soil contaminated with arsenic and lead from properties located near the former foundry. This will be the seventh year of a multi-year cleanup effort.

Beginning in March 2024, soil removal and property restoration activities will resume in the project area. This is anticipated to be the final year of remedial construction activities, which are expected to be completed by July 2024.

Throughout the upcoming construction period, DEC's representatives will individually meet with property owners identified for remediation to review and discuss their soil data, confirm their consent for property access to allow remediation to take place, and coordinate remedial and restoration activities.

Please contact DEC and the Department of Health (DOH) if you have questions about these activities.

Highlights of Activities Planned for 2024

- Remedial activities were previously completed at 212 property parcels and 23 other properties were determined to not require cleanup. In 2024, a total of five additional properties will be addressed: two that began in 2023 requiring only limited additional cleanup and three where activities have not begun. The locations of these properties are throughout the project area and include the primary project office and equipment staging area on State Street (see Figure 2 on page 4).
- Landscaping will be completed at properties where remediation was completed during 2023, but where final restoration could not be completed before winter.
- Restoration of properties to be cleaned up in 2024, as well as completion of project documentation, are anticipated to be completed by year end.
- Upon completion of property cleanup activities, the project equipment and materials staging areas on State, Jackson, Geneva, and Lehigh streets will be restored in consultation with the City of Geneva.
- Work and equipment operation will typically take place five days per week (Monday through Friday), generally between 7:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- Construction activities will be performed by LaBella Associates of Rochester, with oversight provided by DEC's engineering consultant, Ecology and Environment Engineering and Geology, P.C.
- Areas that are disturbed during the cleanup will be restored to pre-existing conditions in consultation with each property owner. Prior to being brought to the site, all backfill materials will be tested to demonstrate that it meets DEC requirements that are protective of public health and the environment.

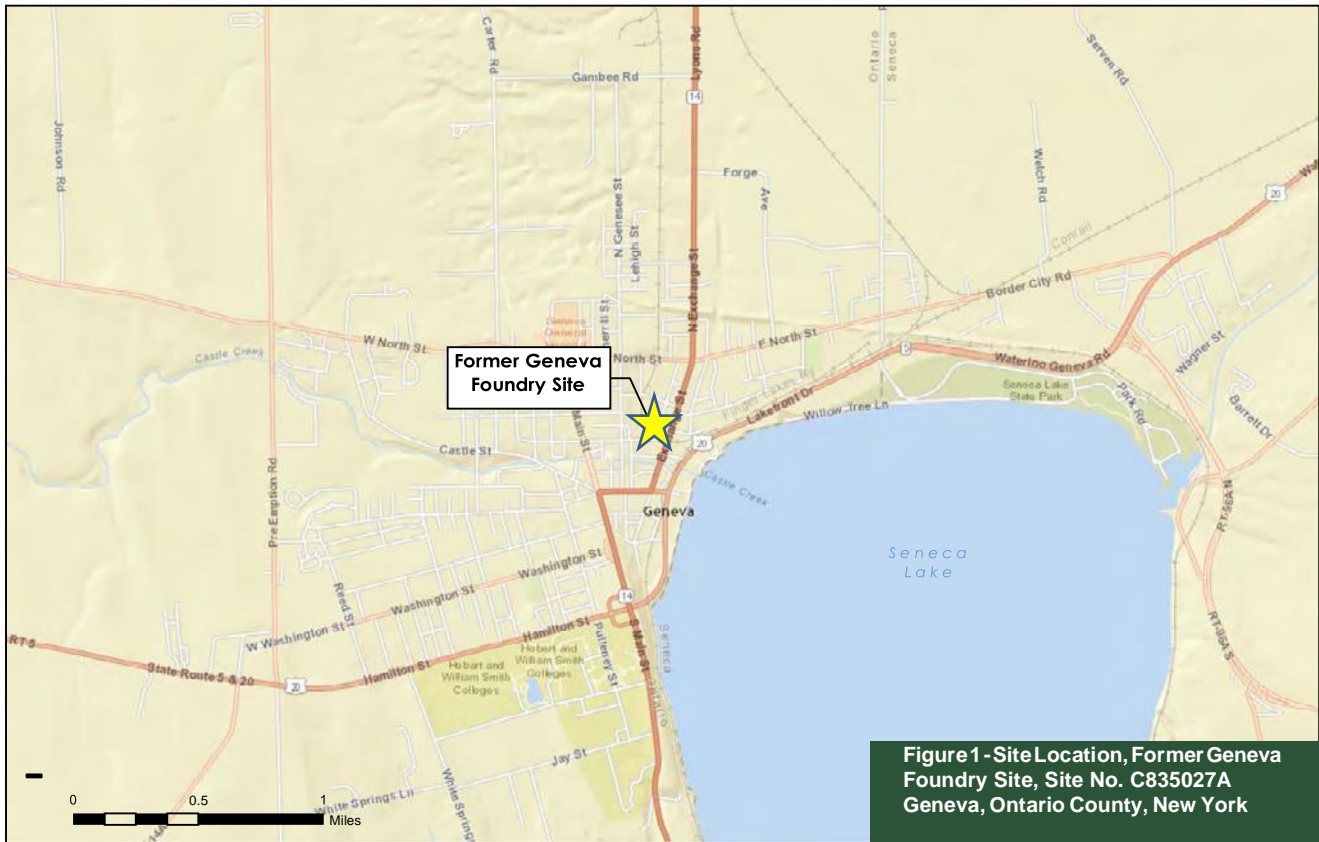


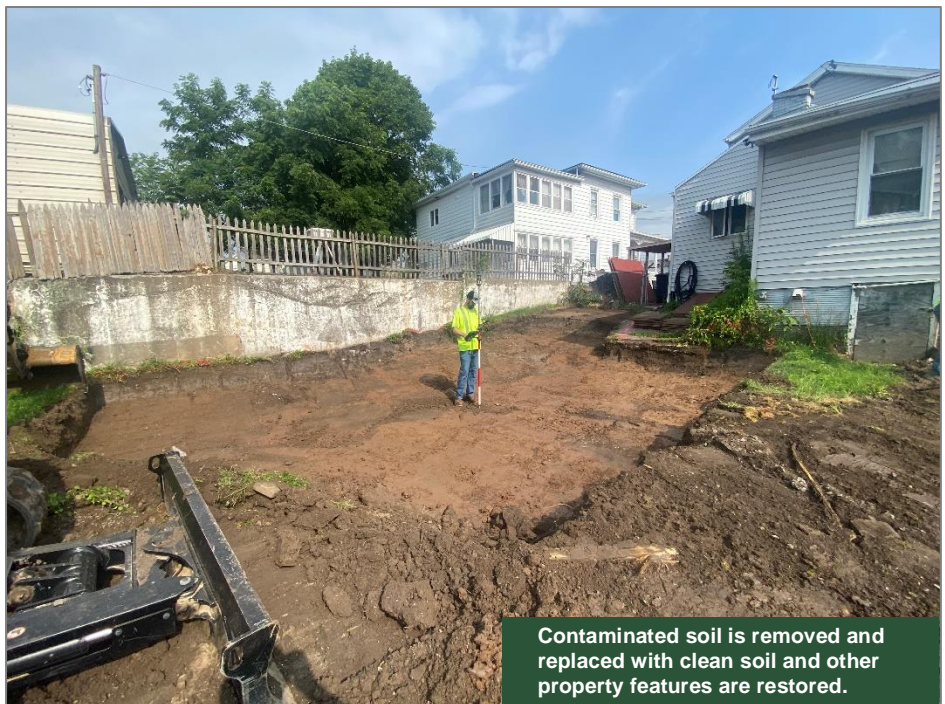
Figure 1 - Site Location, Former Geneva Foundry Site, Site No. C835027A Geneva, Ontario County, New York

Site Background

The Geneva Foundry was operational from the late 19th century until 1988 and manufactured a variety of metal products. Air emissions (fly ash) from the former foundry’s furnace contained lead and arsenic, which were deposited onto the soil in the surrounding area. DEC is designing and implementing site-specific cleanup plans of mostly residential properties to remove the contaminants from impacted properties.

The project is being funded and conducted by DEC under the State Superfund Program. Documents related to the cleanup of this site can be found at the locations identified below under “Where to Find Information.” Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on DEC’s website at:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/107812.html>



Contaminated soil is removed and replaced with clean soil and other property features are restored.

DEC Will Remove Contaminated Soils and Restore Properties

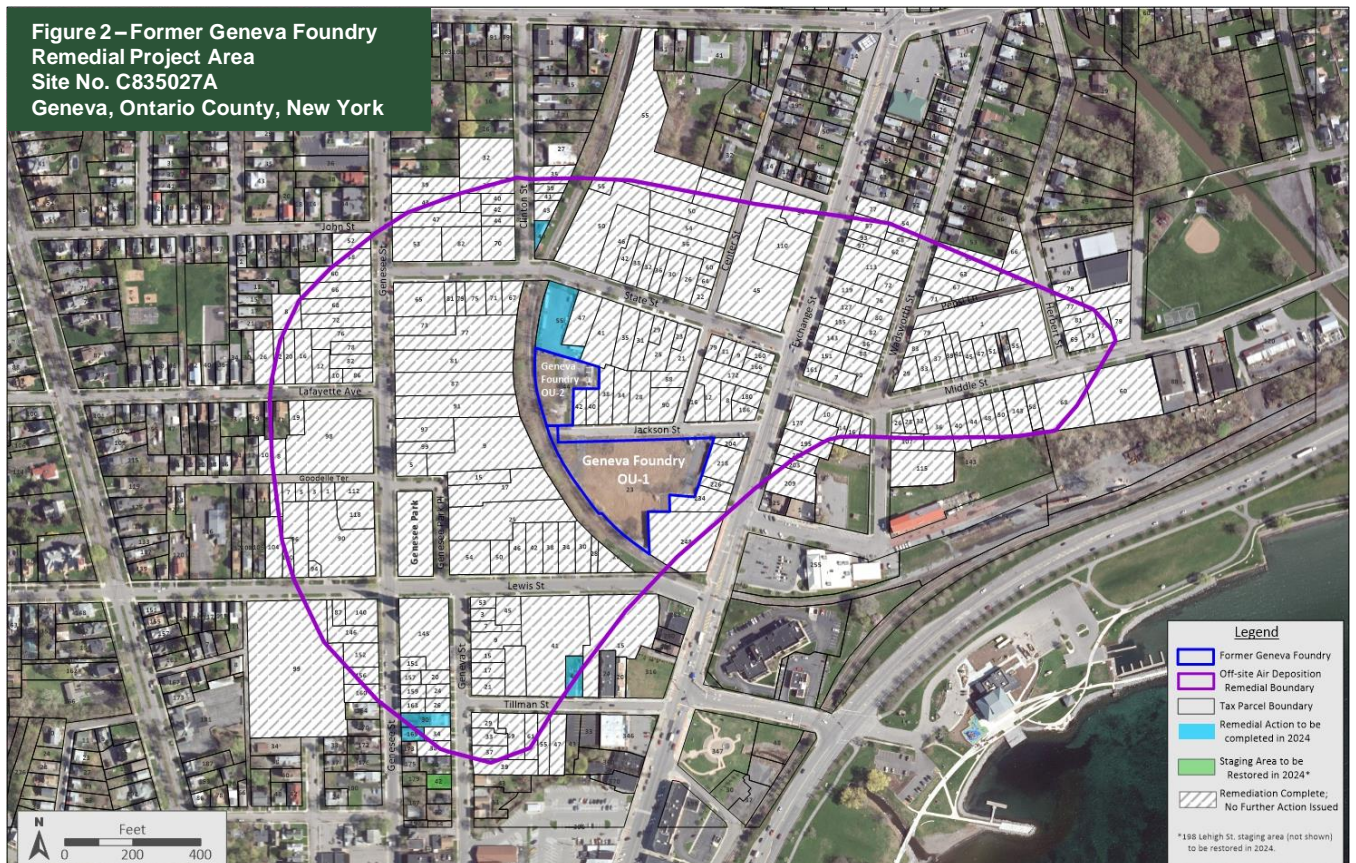
Soil identified for remediation will be excavated and disposed of off-site at a permitted facility. All areas that are disturbed during the removal will be restored, including lawns, sidewalks, driveways, trees, shrubs, garden beds, sheds, and decks.

Trucks will be lined with plastic sheeting and covered to properly secure all material during transport. Truck traffic patterns will be designed to minimize congestion on local roads and maintain safety in the community. Truck traffic will also be minimized when school buses are picking up and dropping off students near work zones.

DEC and DOH approved a Community Air Monitoring Plan that requires continuous air monitoring during all excavation and backfilling activities to ensure no additional contamination is released to the environment or adjacent properties during the cleanup.



DEC and its consultants have completed soil sampling within the remedial boundary required to prepare property-specific excavation and restoration plans and have shared these results with property owners. DEC will continue to collect post-excavation samples and continue to test all imported fill materials as needed. Owners and residents in areas remaining to be remediated will be kept informed as areas are scheduled for cleanup. DEC is adaptively managing this project to ensure the remediation and restoration activities are completed as efficiently as practicable while continuing to ensure the protection of public health and the environment and minimize disruption to the community.



Remedial Action Status



Restoration of Genesee Park was completed in 2023.

Since 2017, DEC, DOH, and their consultants and contractors have completed cleanups of 212 properties. Initial investigations determined that 23 properties did not require remedial action. To date, a total of 235 properties in the off-site remedial area have completed and assigned “No Further Action” status.

2024 is expected to be the final year of project cleanup activities. The remaining five properties to be addressed, including two that began in 2023, will be completed. Final cleanup and demobilization from project equipment and materials staging areas and landscaping of properties remediated in 2023 will also be completed in 2024.

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For more information about State
Superfund sites, visit:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8439.html>

WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION



Project documents are available at these
locations to help the public stay informed:

Geneva Public Library
244 Main Street
Geneva, New York 14456
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DEC Region 8 Office
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Please call for an appointment.

Project documents also are available on
DEC’s project website at:

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