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Key project documents and project summary also are available on the NYSDEC website at:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/108820.html>

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FACT SHEET

State Superfund Program

July 2024

Taconic Plastics
136 Coon Brook Road
Petersburgh, Rensselaer County

SITE No. 442047
NYSDEC REGION 4

Interim Remedial Measure to Begin

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) is announcing an expedited cleanup of contamination at the Taconic Plastics site ("site") located at 136 Coon Brook Road, Petersburgh, Rensselaer County under New York's State Superfund Program. See attached Figure 1 for the site location. The cleanup activities will be performed by Taconic Plastics ("remedial party") with oversight provided by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC).

Remedial activities are expected to begin in August 2024, and last about 20 days. The site is listed as a Class "2" site in the State Registry of Inactive Hazardous Waste Sites (list of State Superfund sites). A Class 2 site represents a significant threat to public health or the environment; action is required.

- Access project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/442047/> Documents also are available at the location(s) identified at left under "Where to find information."

Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) Work Plan: An IRM is a cleanup activity that may be performed when a source of contamination or exposure pathway (the way in which a person may contact contamination) can be effectively addressed without extensive investigation and evaluation.

The IRM work plan describes the cleanup activities that include:

- Removal of PFOA-contaminated sediment and soil in the swale area located directly behind Building 1 to eliminate a source of contamination to surface water.
- Reconstruction of the drainage swale area to reduce the potential for off-site migration of contaminated surface water and suspended sediments, which will reduce the potential for discharges of contaminated surface water and sediment to the Little Hoosic River, and will minimize the leaching of contamination from sediment and soil to groundwater.

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The key components of the remedy are:

- Site preparation activities, including establishing erosion and sedimentation controls, utility clearance, and decommissioning/abandonment of existing monitoring wells.
- Excavation of PFOA-contaminated sediment, surface soils, and subsurface soils, including a community air monitoring plan for dust.
- Placement of soil backfill material to 1 foot below final grade, topped with a geosynthetic clay layer to provide an impermeable surface.
- Placement of a 1 foot thick layer of gravel or crushed stone for the remaining final swale cover layer.

A site-specific health and safety plan (HASP) and a Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP) will be implemented during remediation activities. The HASP and CAMP establish procedures to protect on-site workers and residents and includes required air monitoring as well as dust and odor suppression measures.

Next Steps: After cleanup activities are completed, Taconic will prepare a Construction Completion Report (CCR). The CCR will include:

- a description of the remedy, as constructed.
- A description of changes to the design documents.
- Quantities and concentrations of contaminants removed.
- A listing of waste streams, including the facility where materials were disposed.
- Boundaries of the real property.
- Restoration actions.

Site Description: Taconic owns a facility in Petersburg, New York where it manufactures polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) coated fabrics. The site is located in a rural area, at the northernmost intersection of Coon Brook Road and State Route 22 (Figure 1). The Site is a 23.54-acre area that features nine structures related to manufacturing and three parking lots (Figure 2). There is an unnamed stream that runs through the Site which drains to the Little Hoosic River. The Site is currently an operating manufacturing facility. The surrounding parcels (some of which are owned by Taconic) are residential or undeveloped.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, 442047) at:

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

Summary of the Investigation: The primary contaminants of concern at the site are Poly- and Perfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). PFAS are present in groundwater (overburden and the bedrock aquifers), surface soil, subsurface soil, sediment, and surface water. On-site and off-site locations of the sampled media are impacted.

Two on-site PFAS source locations have been identified during the RI. Source-level concentrations of PFOA are present in the upper low permeability soil layer underneath Building 2, as well as in soils behind Building 1. This IRM addresses a source of PFOA to the west of Building 1.

State Superfund Program: New York's State Superfund Program (SSF) identifies and characterizes suspected inactive hazardous waste disposal sites. Sites that pose a significant threat to public health and/or the environment go through a process of investigation, evaluation, cleanup and monitoring.

NYSDEC attempts to identify parties responsible for site contamination and require cleanup before committing State funds.

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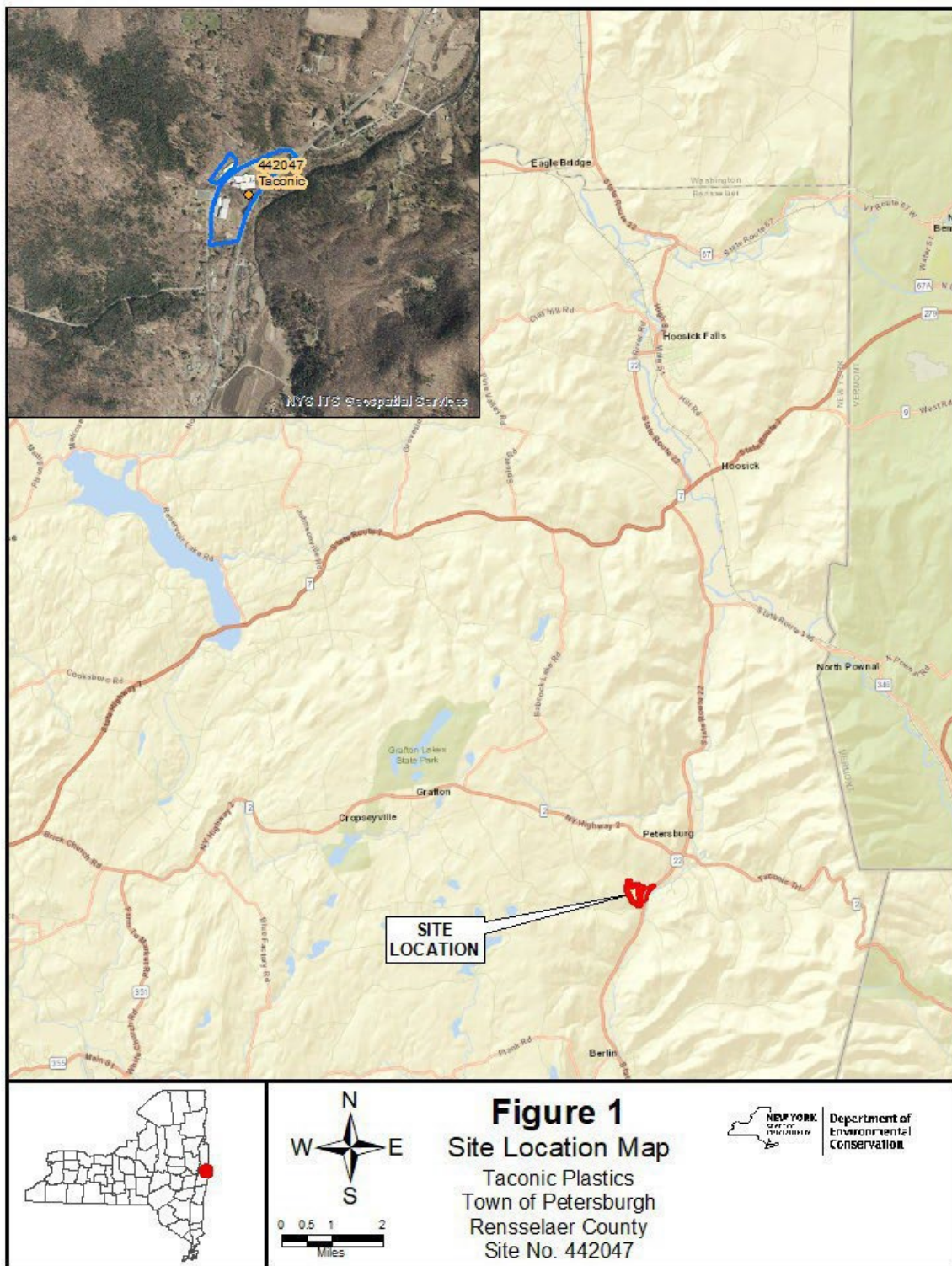
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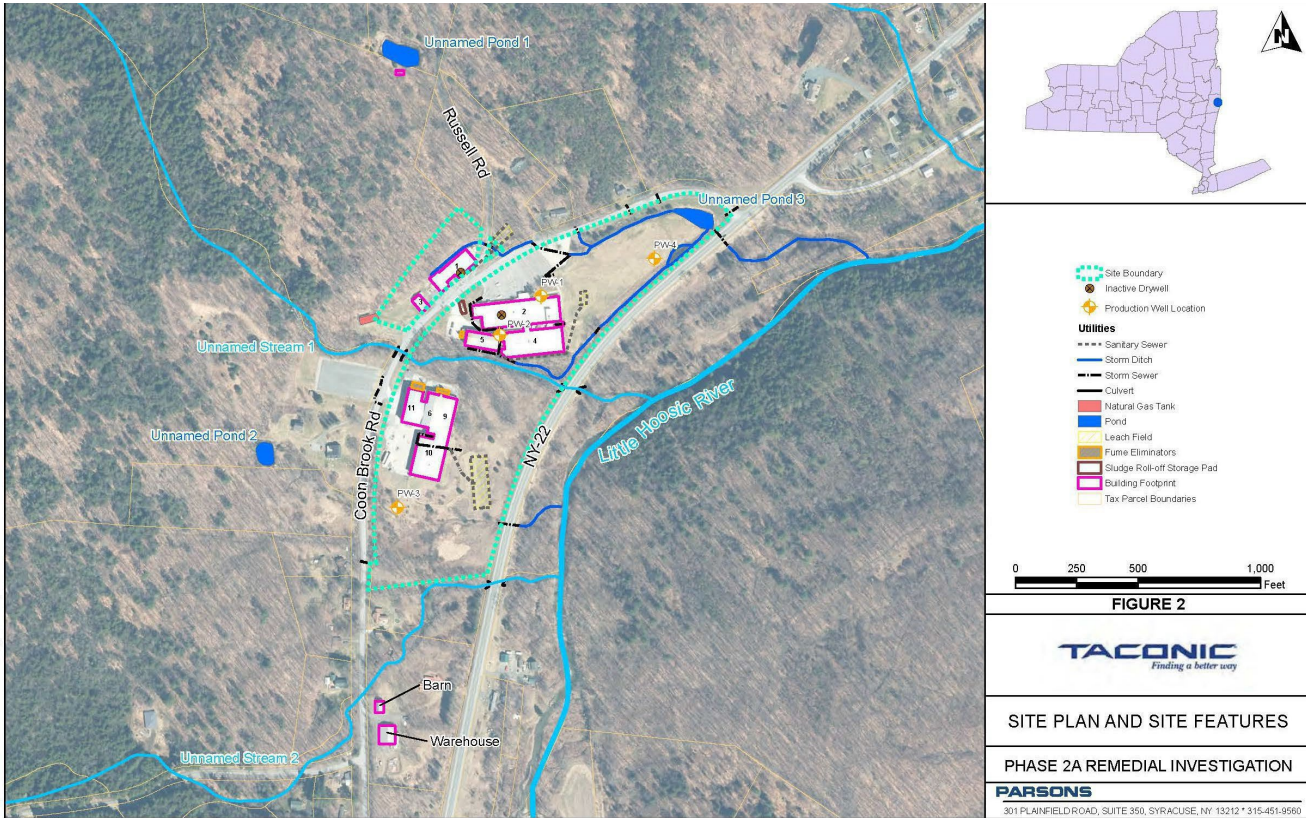
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