

Status Update: Foundry Remediation
April 1, 2020

**I. New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC)
Neighborhood Remediation Update**

***FOUNDRY COVID-19 Update:** To date, the Geneva Foundry cleanup project has been deemed emergency construction implemented for the protection of human health and the environment that is being performed by essential businesses. The new remedial construction season began March 25, 2020, with some policies and practices modified in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. If NYSDEC is instructed to stop work by executive order, the contractor will pause all construction-related activities.*

Remedial Design & Construction

- Between December 2019 and March 2020, NYSDEC’s engineer continued to develop remedial designs.
 - Design drawings were issued for additional properties on the east side of Genesee Street and on Genesee Park Place that abut the railroad tracks.
 - NYSDEC’s engineer began developing remedial designs for properties on the north side of Lewis Street between the railroad and Genesee Park. Remediation of these properties is anticipated during summer 2020.
 - Remedial designs are in progress for Genesee Park. Additional samples were taken to evaluate whether certain trees can be protected. NYSDEC anticipates cleanup activities will be performed in Genesee Park in late summer or early fall of 2020.
 - Design drawings were further developed for four properties on Wadsworth Street that NYSDEC also anticipates will be cleaned up in 2020.
 - Work began on design drawings for two properties on the south side of Lafayette Avenue west of Genesee Street in an effort to address this area prior to the City’s planned reconstruction of Lafayette Avenue.
- No Further Action letters were issued in January 2020 to the property owners of the 37 parcels where excavation was completed in 2019. Copies of all NFA letters will be provided to the city and county clerks.
- Soil sampling results for 37 additional properties were provided to the property owners in early 2020.

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Remedial Construction

- NYSDEC's contractor resumed excavation activities in the rear portions of 77, 81 and 87-89 Genesee Street, and initiated activities in the rear portions of 73 and 91 Genesee Street, on March 25, 2020. Excavation and backfilling activities will continue at these properties until the second half of April, at which time excavation will begin at 97 and 99 Genesee Street, followed by the Genesee Park Place properties. Excavation of two properties on the south side of Lafayette Avenue may supersede the continuation of Genesee Street properties.
- The completion of remaining landscaping items at properties remediated in 2019 will resume later in April or in May, dependent upon the availability of subcontractors and materials.

II. Foundry Remediation

Foundry remediation and restoration is complete. Some additional releveling of the area and spraying for poison ivy will be handled this Spring.

III. Resident outreach – City of Geneva

Jessica Avila is available for residents and can be contacted at gnrc@geneva.ny.us or 315-759-7354.

Due to the Governor's Executive Orders for COVID-19, FoodLink Curbside's mobile market for fresh vegetables and fruits is not operating until further notice due to COVID-19. Voucher programs for both FoodLink Curbside and the Dog Park available for residents waiting for remediation will resume once both programs are running again.