

# Denison Park

State Superfund Program

Site No. 851066

Denison Park, Corning, Steuben County



Department of  
Environmental  
Conservation

April 2026

## Interim Remedial Measure Proposed

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), in consultation with the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), is proposing an expedited cleanup of contamination at the Denison Park site ("site") located at Denison Park, Corning, Steuben County. Please see the map for the site location. NYSDEC is conducting a public comment period because this Interim Remedial Measure (IRM) is likely to represent a significant part of the cleanup for the site.

### How to Comment

NYSDEC is accepting written comments about the proposed plan for 30 days, from **April 2** through **May 2, 2026**.

- Access the Draft IRM Work Plan and other project documents online through the DECinfo Locator: <https://extapps.dec.ny.gov/data/DecDocs/851066/>.
- Documents also are available at the location(s) identified under "Where to find information."
- Please submit comments to the NYSDEC project manager listed under Project-Related Questions in the "Who to Contact" area.

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.

### Draft 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 draft IRM work plan describes the proposed cleanup activities that include:

- Excavation of ash, brick, and/or glass (ABG)-impacted material and/or soil exceeding restricted residential soil cleanup objectives (SCOs) within the top two feet;
- Off-site disposal of ABG-impacted material and/or soil exceeding restricted residential SCOs;
- Import of clean material that meets restricted residential soil cleanup objectives for use as backfill;
- Restoration of vegetation and other disturbed areas;
- Implementation of a Health and Safety Plan and Community Air Monitoring Plan during all ground intrusive activities;
- Implementation of a Site Management Plan (SMP) for long term maintenance of the cover system over the entire site; and
- Recording of an Environmental Easement to ensure proper use of the site.

### Next Steps

NYSDEC will consider public comments, revise the plan as necessary, and approve the IRM work plan in consultation with the New York State Department of Health. The approved work plan will be made available to the public (see "Where to Find Information" on front page).

Upon completion of the expedited cleanup activities, a Final Engineering Report will be prepared that documents the activities that were performed.

NYSDEC will keep the public informed throughout the investigation and cleanup of the site.

## Site Description

The site is located in the southeastern portion of the City of Corning and split into north and south sections by New York State Route 352. The site is bounded by NYS flood control land and the Chemung River to the east, residential neighborhoods to the west and south, the Wastewater Treatment facility and Baseball Complex on the southeast, and commercial and industrial facilities to the north. The site is 33-acres and is used for community recreational purposes as a City park. The park features a swimming pool, two tennis courts, two basketball courts, three picnic pavilions, a playground, a 1.8-acre pond, three baseball fields, and two buildings. The site has been used as a park since 1906.

Additional site details, including environmental and health assessment summaries, are available on NYSDEC's Environmental Site Remediation Database (by entering the site ID, 851066) at: <https://appfactory.dec.ny.gov/DERExternalSearch/ERDSearch>

## Summary of the Investigation

The primary contaminants of concern at the site are metals, (namely, arsenic and mercury) and semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) are present site-wide in soil. This contamination is due to the presence of glass manufacturing waste, also known as ABG which was formerly used as fill in many areas throughout Corning NY.

## 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 before committing State funds for investigation and cleanup.

For more information about the SSF, visit: <https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/site-cleanup/brownfield-and-state-superfund-programs/state-superfund-sites>

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<https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/site-cleanup/regional-remediation-project-information/environmental-cleanup-email-newsletters>

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## DECinfo Locator

Interactive map to access DEC documents and public data about the environmental quality of specific sites: <https://dec.ny.gov/maps/interactive-maps/decinfo-locator>

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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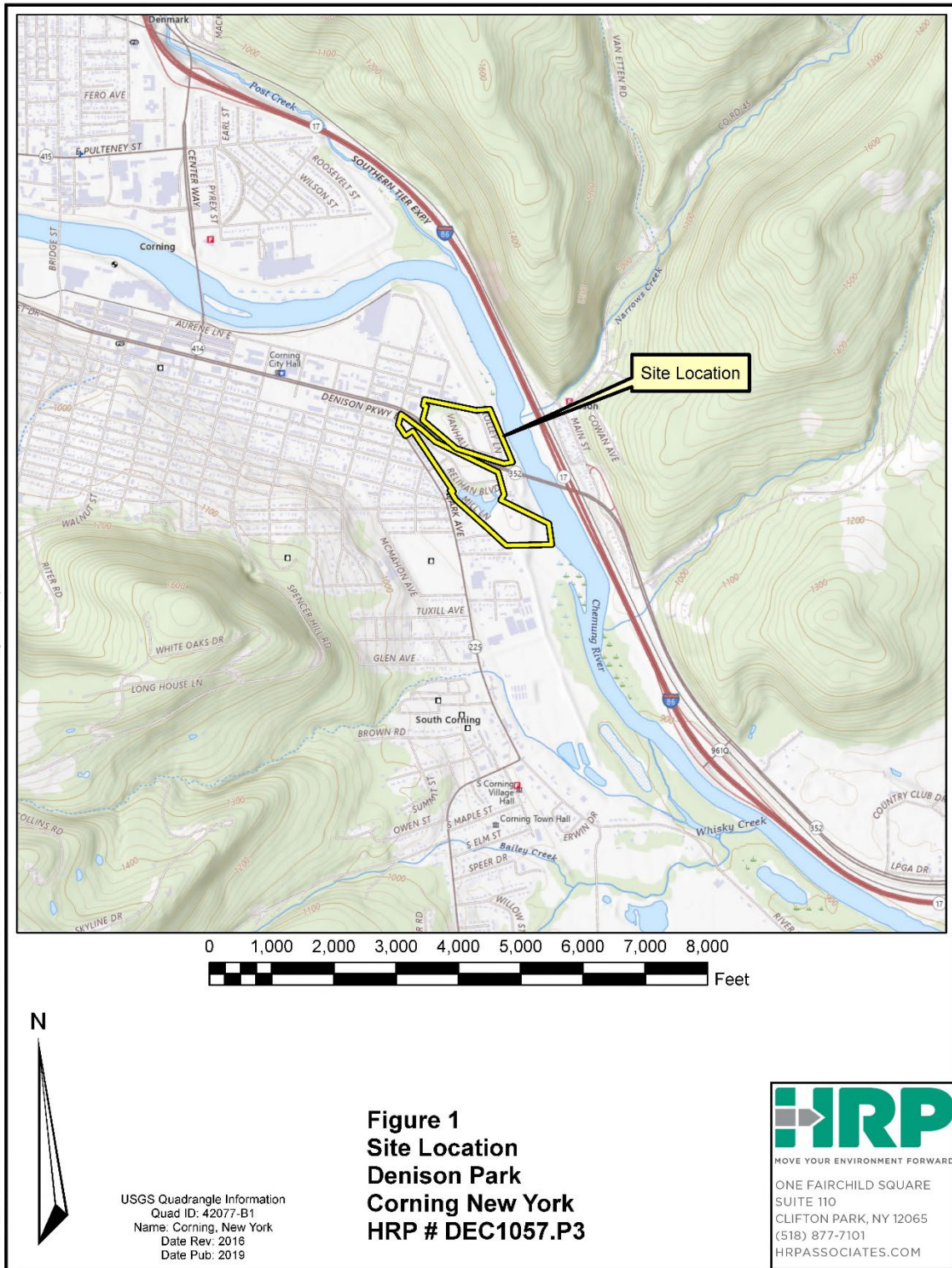
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**For more information about New York's State Superfund Program, visit:**


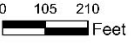

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# Site Location





**Legend**  
 Denison Park Property Boundary

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