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NEW YORK STATE CANAL CORPORATION ANNOUNCES SEEPAGE MITIGATION PROJECT ALONG THE ERIE CANAL IN THE TOWN OF SHELBY TO BEGIN WEEK OF JULY 18TH

Repair Work Includes Pumping Grout into the Canal's Water Impounding Embankment to Mitigate Seepage

The New York State Canal Corporation today announced a seepage mitigation project along the Erie Canal in the town of Shelby, Orleans County will begin the week of July 18, 2022. The Canal Corporation and its contractor will be pumping grout into the canal's southern embankment near the Jeddo Creek culvert to mitigate water that is seeping through the embankment at this location.

Throughout the duration of the project, residents will notice contractors, wearing hard hats and high-visibility vests, as well as heavy equipment operating at and near the construction site.

The seep being mitigated through this project is one of more than 200 known seeps on canal earthen embankments, which comprise approximately 125-miles of the Canal system. The Canal Corporation continuously monitors and inspects these earthen dams on foot via daily monitoring with our staff, as well as using advanced technologies like drones and thermal imaging.

The work being performed along the Erie Canal in Shelby has been reviewed under a project specific State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) evaluation and is not part of the Canal Corporation's proposed Earthen Embankment Integrity Program.

It is anticipated that this work will be completed in approximately one week and will not impact the Empire State Trail.

The Canal Corporation appreciates the public's patience while this work is completed.

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About the New York State Canal Corporation

New York's Canal system includes four historic canals: the Erie, Champlain, Oswego, and Cayuga – Seneca. Spanning 524 miles, the waterway links the Hudson River with

the Great Lakes, the Finger Lakes and Lake Champlain. The canals form the backbone of the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor and connect hundreds of unique and historic communities.

The New York State Canal Corporation is a subsidiary of the New York Power Authority.

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