

For Immediate Release: June 1, 2023

Contact: Shane Mahar | 518-603-0791 | shane.mahar@nypa.gov

## Media Availability & Photo Opportunity – New York Power Authority and NYS Canal Corporation Team Up with Local Volunteers to Plant Pollinator Garden in Brockport

Date: Saturday, June 3, 2023

**Time:** 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

**Location:** Corbett Park along the Erie Canal and Empire State Trail

155 Clark Street Brockport, NY

## **Event:**

The New York Power Authority (NYPA) and Canal Corporation are teaming up with more than two dozen volunteers from the Village of Brockport and Cornell Cooperative Extension to plant a native pollinator garden along the Erie Canal and Empire State Trail at Corbett Park.

Through collaboration with the village, the site at Corbett Park along the canal was identified as an ideal location for creating this garden as pollinators provide a critical ecosystem service that benefits all New Yorkers. Pollination underpins agriculture and supports healthy ecosystems that purify our air and clean our water.

This new pollinator garden is an example of how NYPA and the Canal Corporation are supporting the native biodiversity of New York.

The supplies needed to plant the garden are being furnished by NYPA's Sustainability Team and through the Reimagine the Canals initiative. Once planted, the Village of Brockport will maintain the garden.

###

## **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 connects hundreds of unique and historic communities.

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

Like Canals on Facebook at NYS Canal Corporation

Follow Canals on Twitter at <a>@NYSCanalCorp</a>