



Upcoming Activities

In a few weeks, and under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's, or the EPA's oversight, Severson Environmental Services, Inc., or SES, will finish cleaning up contaminated sediment and soil along the east branch of Eighteen Mile Creek between the New York State Barge Canal (formerly the Erie Canal) and Clinton Street. The EPA's contractors will focus next on the west branch of the creek, refer to Figure 1.

Timeline

- In July 2025, the EPA's contractor, SES, will begin excavation activities with oversight from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
- Cleanup activities in this area of the site will continue into 2026.

Location

- Soil cleanup will occur along the west branch of Eighteen Mile Creek, specifically between the NYS Barge Canal (formerly the Erie Canal) and Clinton Street, adjacent to Upson Park.

What Residents Can Expect

- SES will place clean and empty containers in secured areas of Upson Park and at a designated storage area on Mill Street.
- As needed, SES will move the containers to the loading area and place the excavated soil and sediment in the containers. Once filled, the contractors will cover, weigh, and then move the containers by truck to a rail yard for transport to a licensed disposal facility outside of New York.
- The excavated material includes soil impacted with Technologically Enhanced Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material, or TENORM, in addition to other contaminants such as polychlorinated biphenyls, or PCBs, and lead, the EPA revised the transportation and disposal plan to include the transportation of the containers via truck to the Falls Road yard, followed by transport via railroad to the licensed disposal facility.

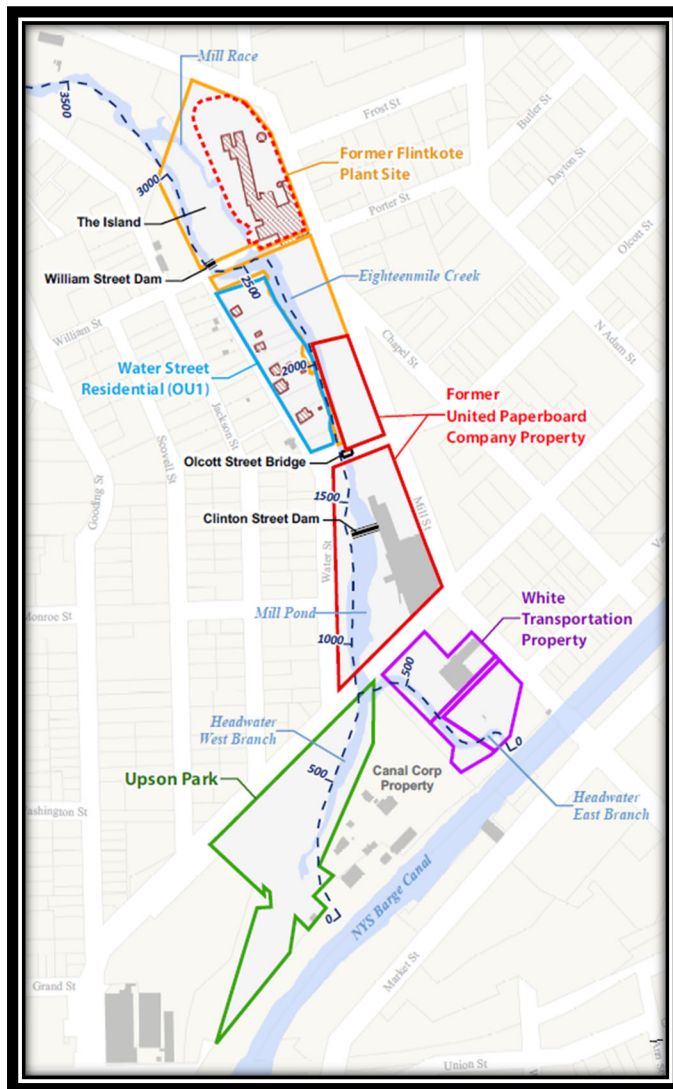


Figure 1 – Eighteen Mile Creek Site Overview

For more detailed information regarding TENORM handling, removal, and off-site disposal, visit the Eighteen Mile Creek Superfund site webpage: www.epa.gov/superfund/eighteenmile-creek.

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