



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PLAN

Fuel Storage Area – West &
Wood Lot Area – West
Former Great Northern Paper Mill
50 Main Street
East Millinocket, Maine 04430

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1.0 OVERVIEW

The purpose of this Community Involvement Plan (CIP) is to describe the activities and processes for involving the community in the cleanup of the Fuel Storage Area – West and Wood Lot Area-West cleanup sites at the former Great Northern Paper (GNP) Mill located at 50 Main Street in East Millinocket, Maine (collectively referred to hereinafter as the “Sites”). The CIP also provides information to address the needs and concerns of the community who will potentially be affected by the planned cleanup and redevelopment of the Sites.

The Town is positioning the redevelopment of the Sites for the purpose of revitalizing its rural community through its conceptual business and comprehensive plan for the former GNP Mill, which includes assessment and cleanup activities.

This CIP describes how the owner (the Town of East Millinocket or “Town”) will involve the community (i.e., potentially impacted residents, landowners, and local organizations) in the decision-making process regarding the cleanup at the Site. The actual cleanup of the Sites will be funded through the Town’s Brownfields Cleanup Grant (Grant Number 4B00A01955).

The cleanup of these Sites is important to those involved and active in community revitalization. The community is considered a beneficial resource for the success of this CIP, as they have an awareness and understanding of the Sites and are actively involved in the larger East Millinocket community. The Town of East Millinocket considers these citizens as key points of contact for communication and involvement. The success of the cleanup and ultimate redevelopment of the Sites will be enhanced by informed citizen involvement in the steps of the cleanup and redevelopment process.

2.0 SPOKESPEOPLE AND INFORMATION REPOSITORY

The primary Spokesperson for these cleanup projects is the Town of East Millinocket. Contact information is listed below:

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The information repository for this project, including prior environmental assessments, proposed remediation plans, and other applicable environmental information prepared for the Sites, is located with the East Millinocket Town Office and will be available for review by appointment at the Town Office during normal business hours listed below.

Town Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Electronic copies of files will be provided via email and/or posted on the Town's website and the East Millinocket Industrial, Inc. (EMI) website at the links below.

Town Website: <https://www.eastmillinocket.org/>

EMI Website: <https://www.eastmillworks.com>

Hard copies will also be available and printed upon request.

3.0 SITE DESCRIPTIONS, FORMER USES, AND CURRENT CONDITIONS

The Former Great Northern Paper (GNP) Mill is located at 50 Main Street in East Millinocket, Maine. The approximate 215-acre mill site, identified by the Town of East Millinocket as Parcel Number 0001-2-00000-010, was developed in 1906, producing paper products as one of the region's largest employers until its closure in 2014. The Town of East Millinocket acquired the former GNP Mill parcel on July 21, 2020.

During its operation, the GNP Mill complex comprised numerous buildings, a wood yard, a storm water retention pond, aboveground oil storage tanks, storage sheds, parking areas, a vehicle maintenance garage, several pulp storage silos, and a wastewater treatment plant. Although the site is largely vacant at this time, numerous buildings and structures associated with the former mill operations remain present. To assist in the evaluation of environmental conditions at the former mill site, previous environmental investigations have divided the mill parcel into seven "Study Areas." The study areas encompassed by the cleanup sites are described below. A Site Layout Plan is included in **Figure 1**.

3.1 Fuel Storage Area - West

3.1.1 Site Description

The Fuel Storage Area – West cleanup site comprises the western portion of Study Area 4 (Fuel Storage Area). Comprising approximately 5.5 acres on the northern portion of the GNP Mill property, the western portion of the Fuel Storage Area (Fuel Storage Area – West) encompasses an existing 750,000-gallon fuel oil aboveground storage tank (AST) within an earthen berm, an associated heater house, rail car fuel unloading facilities, an approximately 5,000-gallon overflow AST, an oil pump house, subsurface piping/distribution utilities, and paved parking areas.

A photograph log for the Fuel Storage Area - West cleanup site is included in **Appendix A**.

3.1.2 Future Site Use

The Town anticipates the Fuel Storage Area – West site will be redeveloped to include access roads, parking lots, and softscape features to serve as an alternate entrance to the property.

3.1.3 Surrounding Land Use

Surrounding property use includes the following:

Table 1: Surrounding Land Use - Fuel Storage Area – West

Direction from Site	Current Land Use Description
North	Residential and commercial properties
East	Residential and commercial properties
South	Penobscot River and rural land
West	Rural and industrial properties

3.1.4 Summary of Environmental Conditions

Several investigations have been completed at the mill Site. The following environmental reports, which are specific to the Fuel Storage Area, were reviewed:

- Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) – prepared by S.W. Cole Engineering (S.W. Cole), dated January 22, 2001;
- Phase I ESA – prepared by TRC, dated September 2014;
- Phase I ESA – prepared by Ransom Consulting, Inc. (Ransom), dated June 2019;
- Phase I ESA – prepared by Ransom, dated February 2020;
- Targeted Brownfields Assessment Report, Great Northern Paper Mill Study Areas 3, 6, 7 – prepared by KGSNE JV II, LLC, dated November 2023;
- Leachate Pipeline Construction Memorandum – prepared by Sevee & Maher Engineers (SME), dated July 15, 2024;
- Environmental Media Management Plan (EMMP), Great Northern Paper, East Millinocket, Maine – prepared by Campbell Environmental Group (CEG), September 24, 2024;
- Site-Specific Quality Assurance Project Plan (SSQAPP) Addendum, East Millinocket-B (Revision 1) – prepared by TRC, dated September 26, 2024;
- Draft Limited Phase II ESA, - prepared by TRC, dated November 2024;
- Analysis of Brownfields Cleanup Alternatives (ABCA) – Preliminary Evaluation, Fuel Storage Area – West, Former Great Northern Paper Mill – prepared by the Town of East Millinocket, dated November 2024;
- Limited Subsurface Investigation and Waste Characterization Summary Report – prepared by TRC, dated June 2025; and
- Draft ABCA and Conceptual Remedial Action Plan (RAP), Fuel Storage Area West – prepared by TRC, dated May 2026.

Findings specific to the Fuel Storage Area based on the above previous environmental investigations are summarized below:

Based on previous Phase I ESAs, numerous spill incidents have occurred in the Fuel Storage Area over the years. According to the 2001 Phase I ESA prepared by S.W. Cole, in 1991, following the identification of a significant release of #6 fuel oil caused by a leak in an underground fuel line, SME conducted a subsurface investigation of the area consisting of twenty test pits in two #6 oil outbreak areas, which identified extensive #6 oil impacts of the area including “dense layers of oil and apparently mobile #6 oil in the vicinity of the underground steam pipes and within fill layers.” Based on the investigation, SME estimated that up to 6,500 cubic yards of soil had potentially been impacted by #6 fuel oil; however, no subsequent remediation of this area was completed. During more recent Phase I ESAs performed by TRC and Ransom between 2014 and 2020, ongoing staining and releases of #6 oil were observed within the unlined earthen berm of the 750,000-gallon fuel oil AST and on the ground surface at the adjacent petroleum offloading area.

In October 2015, during trenching for installation of a leachate pipeline through the GNP Mill parcel, separate-phase petroleum product impacting soil and groundwater were encountered within an approximately 140-foot segment of the trench in the parking lot area located directly

south of the 750,000-gallon fuel oil AST. MEDEP was notified of the observed conditions and ultimately approved the reuse of the petroleum-impacted soil as backfill around the leachate line and the controlled re-infiltration of the impacted groundwater to the trench.

Based on a Limited Phase II ESA completed by TRC in October 2024, comingled hazardous substances and petroleum were identified in soil and/or groundwater at the Site. Specifically, significant petroleum staining and petroleum-saturated soil is present in the vicinity of the fuel unloading area and within the earthen berm surrounding the 750,000-gallon AST. A total of four hand-excavated soil borings were advanced in the accessible areas around the earthen berm surrounding the 750,000-gallon fuel oil AST. In addition to verifying the presence of petroleum-saturated surficial soil through visual and olfactory observations, results of confirmatory soil sampling and laboratory analysis conducted within accessible areas of the earthen berm area surrounding the fuel oil AST indicate concentrations of arsenic above the MEDEP Remedial Action Guidelines (RAGs), as well as concentrations of lead and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) above background levels that are co-mingled with the identified petroleum contamination. In addition, tank piping/ equipment and associated structures are presumed to be lined and/or to contain asbestos-containing materials (ACM) and lead-based paint (LBP).

3.1.5 Cleanup Plans

As part of a USEPA Brownfields Cleanup Grant application, a preliminary ABCA was previously prepared by for the Fuel Storage Area – West. A more formal draft ABCA and Conceptual RAP is currently being prepared for the Fuel Storage Area - West site and will be available for review during the proposed public comment period. The draft ABCA summarizes the potential cleanup alternatives for addressing the contaminated soils and hazardous building materials identified at the Site. The draft ABCA includes the following:

- Summary of the evaluation of potential remedial alternatives;
- Summary of the remedial options;
- Preliminary cost estimates;
- Degree of effectiveness of the remedial alternatives;
- Ease of implementation for each remedial alternative; and
- Selection of the recommended remedial alternative.

To address hazardous building materials and soil contamination identified at the Site, three different cleanup alternatives were considered and are listed below. The selected cleanup alternative is highlighted in **bold**.

- Alternatives:
 - Alternative #1: No Action.
 - **Alternative #2: Tank Decommissioning, Soil Cover Systems, and Onsite Management of Disturbed Soil**
 - Alternative #3: Tank Decommissioning, Soil Cover Systems, and Offsite Disposal of Disturbed Soil.

Alternative #2 is the recommended cleanup alternative. Alternatives #2 and 3 are nearly equally effective and reliable. Excluding Alternative #1 (which is not recommended because it does not

address the risks posed by the hazardous building materials [HBMs] and soil contamination), Alternative #3 is logistically the least difficult to implement, except for additional logistics related to management of off-site soil disposal, and has low potential risks. However, Alternative #2 also has a relatively low difficulty of implementation, low potential risk, and is much more cost-effective. Therefore, Alternative #2 is the recommended Alternative.

The primary purpose of the Conceptual RAP is to outline a structured approach for the selected or recommended cleanup alternative to address contamination at this Brownfields Site. The approach is designed to ensure the cleanup site is safe for reuse and that actions are protective of human health and the environment. Under the proposed RAP, HBMs will be abated during removal of the tank and associated equipment/structures; existing soils and/or cover systems (asphalt-paved parking areas and/or landscaped areas), which are disturbed during Site redevelopment, will either be covered in-place with a MEDEP-approved engineered soil cover system and/or removed and consolidated to another portion of the Site property to be regraded and then covered by an asphalt parking lot and/or other MEDEP-approved engineered soil cover system; the site-specific EMMP will be adhered to and updated at the conclusion of cleanup activities, and a deed restriction and Declaration of Environmental Covenant (DEC) will be recorded.

Please refer to the ABCA/Conceptual RAP for additional details regarding the cleanup alternative selection process.

3.2 Wood Lot Area – West

3.2.1 Site Description

The Wood Lot Area – West cleanup site comprises the western portion of Study Area 6 (Wood Lot Area). Comprising approximately 30 acres in the southwestern portion of the GNP Mill property, the Wood Lot Area – West cleanup site encompasses the mill's former woodyard, which was originally developed circa 1960 and utilized for this purpose until mill operations ceased in 2014. The western portion of the Wood Lot contains a stormwater retention pond and also formerly contained the mill's slasher equipment and associated buildings, including the slasher house, slasher deck, slasher control building, and slasher maintenance building. Presently, only the slasher control and maintenance buildings remain. The western portion of the Wood Lot also formerly contained two rail spurs constructed with creosote-coated rail ties.

A photograph log for the Wood Lot Area - West cleanup site is included in **Appendix B**.

3.2.2 Future Site Use

The Town is positioning the Site for proposed redevelopment for a potential future commercial/industrial tenant. Under this plan, the expansive Wood Lot Area – West will be prepared for development through the removal/capping of contaminated soil to facilitate redevelopment of this portion of the mill. In conjunction with the cleanup/redevelopment, the Town intends to relocate and improve the stormwater retention pond on this portion of the property, which will be located higher than the floodplain to protect the infrastructure and handle the increased frequencies and intensities of storms due to climate change.

3.2.3 Surrounding Land Use

Surrounding property use includes the following:

Table 2: Surrounding Land Use - Wood Lot Area – West

Direction from Site	Current Land Use Description
North	Residential and commercial properties
East	Residential and commercial properties
South	Penobscot River and rural land
West	Rural and industrial properties

3.2.4 Summary of Environmental Conditions

Several investigations have been completed at the mill Site. The following environmental reports, which are specific to the Wood Lot Area, were reviewed:

- Phase I ESA – prepared by S.W. Cole, dated January 22, 2001;
- Phase I ESA – prepared by TRC, dated September 2014;
- Phase I ESA – prepared by Ransom, dated June 2019;
- Phase I ESA – prepared by Ransom, dated February 2020;
- Phase II Site and Groundwater Investigation – prepared by Fessenden Geo-Technical, LLC (FGT), dated September 6, 2022;
- Targeted Brownfields Assessment Report, Great Northern Paper Mill Study Areas 3, 6, 7 – prepared by KGSNE JV II, LLC, dated November 2023; and
- EMMP, Great Northern Paper, East Millinocket, Maine – prepared by CEG, dated September 24, 2024;
- SSQAPP Addendum East Millinocket-B (Revision 1) – prepared by TRC, dated September 26, 2024;
- ABCA – Preliminary Evaluation, Fuel Storage Area – West, Former Great Northern Paper Mill – prepared by the Town of East Millinocket, dated November 2024; and
- Limited Subsurface Investigation and Waste Characterization Summary Report – prepared by TRC, dated June 2025.

Findings specific to the Wood Lot Area based on the above previous environmental investigations are summarized below:

Previous investigations identified the presence of significantly stained soil (presumed to be hydraulic oil and/or lubricating oil) in the vicinity of the slasher control building. Subsurface investigations of the Wood Lot Area indicate that subsurface soil consists of silty sand with gravel fill, containing varied amounts of cobbles, brick, asphalt, clay, organics, and woody debris. In some areas of the Wood Lot Area, wood chips in layers as thick as 9 feet thick were observed at several boring locations. Results of subsurface investigations in the Wood Lot Area have identified the presence of extractable petroleum hydrocarbons (EPH) and arsenic above the MEDEP RAGs, as well as concentrations of PAHs and other heavy metals above background levels.

3.2.5 Cleanup Plans

As part of a USEPA Brownfields Cleanup Grant application, a preliminary ABCA was previously prepared by for the Wood Lot Area – West. A more formal draft ABCA and Conceptual RAP will

be prepared for this site in the future and will be available for review during the proposed or a future public comment period. The ABCA will summarize the potential cleanup alternatives for addressing impacted soil in the Wood Lot Area – West. The ABCA will include the following:

- Summary of the evaluation of potential remedial alternatives;
- Summary of the remedial options;
- Preliminary cost estimates;
- Degree of effectiveness of the remedial alternatives;
- Ease of implementation for each remedial alternative; and
- Selection of the recommended remedial alternative.

To address hazardous building material contamination at the Wood Lot Area – West, three different cleanup alternatives will be considered and are listed below. The cleanup alternative anticipated to be selected is highlighted in **bold**.

- Alternatives:
 - Alternative #1: No Action.
 - **Alternative #2: Soil Cover Systems and Targeted Soil Removal**
 - Alternative #3: Full Soil Removal

Alternative #2 is the recommended cleanup alternative for the addressing impacted soil in the Wood Lot Area – West. Alternative #2 is practical, implementable, and a cost-effective way to protect human health and the environment. It is also an effective way to prevent future receptors and site occupants from coming into direct contact with oil and/or hazardous materials. Alternative #1 is unacceptable and not recommended, since it does not meet the evaluation and threshold criteria, including the overall protection of human health and the environment. Although Alternative #3 is effective at eliminating the potential risk of exposure to future site visitors and/or occupants, the additional costs for this alternative outweigh the added benefit of this level of remediation; therefore, was not selected as the preferred or recommended alternative.

Please refer to the preliminary ABCA for additional details regarding the cleanup alternative selection process.

4.0 COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

4.1 Community Background

The Town of East Millinocket, located in Penobscot County, is known for its abundant forests, lakes and mountains. Historically, the Town was inhabited by the Abenaki people, a Wabanaki tribe. The Wabanaki tribe inhabited the land around Millinocket for thousands of years before European settlers arrived. English settlers arrived in East Millinocket around 1829. In 1906, the GNP Mill was established in East Millinocket as one of the region's largest employers (>1,000 employees in its prime). However, GNP was in major decline in the 1980s and eventually closed in 2014. This resulted in a devastating economic impact to the community. At closing, the last 212 jobs were lost, and the tax base was negatively impacted. After 10 years of GNP being idle, East Millinocket has lost property value, experienced population decline, and seen the creation of blight at the mill and downtown along Main Street. In 2020, the Town acquired the former GNP Mill.

The Town of East Millinocket sees the redevelopment of the GNP Mill as crucial to achieving its goals to revitalize its rural community, including the introduction of new or expanded job opportunities to entice employment and people back to the Town. To this end, the Town has developed a conceptual business and comprehensive plan for the former GNP Mill, which includes the assessment, cleanup, and redevelopment of the entire mill site in a phased approach.

4.2 Key Community Concerns

One of the primary concerns with these sites is potential exposure to identified contamination, and the impact that the abandoned mill property has on those living, working and visiting the area. The cleanup of the two Sites will mitigate long-term exposure to contaminants, potential migration of contaminants, and other safety hazards.

Additionally, without remediation and redevelopment the community is concerned that the mill property will continue to degrade which will worsen the declining populating and shrinking workforce. The goal of the cleanup and redevelopment of the two sites is to create a healthy environment to attract new business and achieve economic stability in the community. The Town anticipates this will increase jobs, increase property values, reduce poverty, and increase population throughout East Millinocket.

The Town of East Millinocket will continue to provide community involvement for the cleanup/redevelopment project, as described herein.

4.3 Information Repository

The Town has created an information repository, as detailed in Section 2. The information repository will be updated as new information is available and will include meeting minutes, status reports, and other communication. Additionally, the Town intends to incorporate public input, comments, and responses into a document that will reside on the Town's website and be regularly updated. For those who may be unable to speak English or who have hearing or reading impairments, the Town will provide accommodations including, but not limited to, translators, document reading services, and access to assistive technologies, such as teletypewriter relay services, if necessary.

4.4 Public Notice

A public notice will be published in the Bangor Daily News and/or Lincoln News newspaper on August 13, 2026, announcing the planned cleanup/remediation and redevelopment activities at the Fuel Storage Area – West cleanup site and to notify residents of the first scheduled public meeting. The public notice will also publicize the information repository for the two cleanup projects and business hours (see Section 2) for reviewing the publicly available information in-person, as necessary. The public notice post will announce the start of a 30-day comment period for the draft ABCA/Conceptual RAP for the Fuel Storage Area – West cleanup site, which outlines the proposed cleanup activities that will be implemented during cleanup, revitalization, and redevelopment, as summarized above. The Town of East Millinocket will accept comments on the draft ABCA during the 30-day comment period. A public notice announcing the start of the 30-day comment period for draft ABCA/Conceptual RAP for the Wood Lot Area – West will be published at a later date.

Additional public notices, including public meetings for project status updates, will be published throughout the duration of both cleanup projects, as needed.

4.5 Public Meetings

An initial public meeting will be conducted by the Town of East Millinocket and TRC, as well as USEPA and MEDEP staff (if available), at the Katahdin Higher Education Center (One Dirigo Drive, East Millinocket, Maine 04430) on August 26, 2026 to present the findings of the draft ABCA along with the proposed cleanup alternatives for the Fuel Storage Area – West cleanup site. The meeting will also be held to educate the public on the cleanup process and the potential benefits of site cleanup, inform the local stakeholders of the results of the previous environmental assessments, describe what cleanup/remedial actions will be implemented at the cleanup site, and solicit input and comments from the public on their potential concerns and desired outcomes during cleanup. The community meeting will also be an opportunity to solicit public feedback prior to commencing remediation at the Sites. Material generated for the meeting (memorandum and presentation) will be available in the information repository and on the Town's website.

Additional meetings may be held throughout the duration of the project, likely with a minimum of one per quarter, while the cleanup work is underway at each of the two cleanup Sites and/or a meeting toward the end of the proposed cleanup work to summarize the final completed remedial actions. Meetings will be held in-person and broadcast via Zoom and public access TV.

As additional meetings are planned, as needed, supplemental public notices will be placed in the local press announcing additional meetings.

4.6 Flyers and Fact Sheets

If deemed appropriate to further inform the general public and community, the Town and TRC will create flyers, postings, status updates, and/or fact sheets at least once per year to publicize the project progress and solicit additional public input and/or comment. These documents will include a description of activities completed to date, upcoming activities, and sampling/monitoring data (air, soil, water) and meaningful interpretations of the results. These documents will be placed in the information repository, posted on the Town's website, and shared with the community partners, as needed.

4.7 Community Partners

The Town has identified the following community partners that will likely be involved in distributing information and engaging the community during the cleanup at one and/or or both cleanup Sites:

Table 3: Community Partners

Partner & Contact Information	Description & Role
Steve Fraser, EMI Board Fraserm1@hotmail.com 207-746-3376	EMI is undertaking the redevelopment planning efforts at the former GNP mill site and will assist in public outreach and advise on reuse potential and redevelopment planning.
Amy Collinsworth, Executive Director, Katahdin Region Development Board (KRDB) ACollinsworth@emdc.org 207-942-6389	KRDB will assist with the planning, cleanup, and development of the priority sites. They will also assist with public outreach.
Deb Rountree, Executive Director Eastern Maine Community College (EMCC), Rural Development Initiative (RDI) dvoisine@maine.edu 207-746-5741	EMCC's RDI will assist with community outreach, public education, identifying sensitive populations, and connecting residents to job opportunities, job training, higher education, and childcare. Additionally, they will focus on building relationships with local businesses and organizations.
Gabe Gauvin, Programs Manager Maine Redevelopment Land Bank Authority (MRLBA) ggauvin@maineredevelopment.org 207-620-2960	MRLBA, as a new state entity, will provide supplemental technical assistance or grant funding management to in connection with the proposed cleanup projects and other redevelopment initiatives at the GNP mill.

The Town and TRC will maintain contact with these partners throughout the cleanup process to exchange information and understand the concerns of the community. Informational materials (flyers, fact sheets, etc.) will be provided to these partners electronically and in paper format for distribution to members of their associations.

4.8 Community Input Methods

In addition to the initial public meeting and 30-day public comment period on the proposed cleanup actions for each of the two cleanup sites, the following table outlines additional methods of community engagement that may be utilized to implement and encourage input from the local community during the cleanup and redevelopment.

Table 4: Community Engagement Methods

Method	Description
Information Repository	The East Millinocket Office will regularly maintain an extensive repository of project-related documents, in the form of both hard copies (available for view during normal business hours) and electronic copies (available for download).
News	The Town and its project partners will utilize their respective e-mail networks, print and e-newsletters to announce and promote the program, provide regular updates, solicit input, advertise meetings, and disseminate

Table 4: Community Engagement Methods

Method	Description
	outcomes. Announcements, press releases and public notices will be published in newspapers.
Project Websites	The Town of East Millinocket and EMI websites will maintain postings for public meetings, meeting minutes, project updates, and reports which will continued to be regularly updated. The Town will ensure partner community organizations will also have information or links on their websites.
Public Meetings	Public meetings will be held at key project milestones to communicate the progress of the cleanup projects. Meetings will be co-hosted with partner community organizations (COs), noted above, and held outside of normal working hours to increase attendance.

Through each of these communication methods, including the public meetings discussed in **Section 4.5**, community input will be solicited, encouraged, documented, and responded to via written responses to comments, as necessary.

4.9 Public Comment

The Town will be prepared to receive community input via e-mail, phone, letter, or meeting attendance. The Town will promptly consider this input and will provide an appropriate and timely response via the same method that the input was originally submitted, unless otherwise requested. If comments or questions are received during the public involvement process, the information will be incorporated herein and documented in the information repository.

4.10 Proposed Schedule

The following schedule will be followed for the implementation of the project:

Table 5: Proposed Schedule

Date/Time Period	Scheduled Activity
August 13 2026	Newspaper publication and start of 30-day public comment period for the draft ABCA for the Fuel Storage Area – West cleanup site
August 26, 2026	Public meeting (Katahdin Higher Education Center)
September 14, 2026	End of public comment period for the draft ABCA for the Fuel Storage Area – West cleanup site; finalization of document
Summer/Fall 2026	Engineering design and contractor procurement for the Fuel Storage Area – West cleanup site
Fall 2026	Begin cleanup activities for the Fuel Storage Area – West cleanup site
To be determined	Newspaper publication and 30-day public comment period for the draft ABCA for the Wood Lot Area – West; engineering design, contractor procurement, and cleanup for the Wood Lot Area – West
As needed	Additional public meetings for cleanup and redevelopment progress at the Site (minimum of quarterly during site work)

**Figure 1:
Site Layout Plan (Main Mill Area)**

Coordinate System: NAD 1983 StatePlane Maine East FIPS 1801 Feet; Map Rotation: 0
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LEGEND

- FORMER GNP MILL STUDY AREA
- SITE BOUNDARY
- MUNICIPAL BOUNDARY

FORMER GNP MILL STUDY AREAS

STUDY AREA 1 - WESTERN MILL AREA
STUDY AREA 2 - EASTERN MILL AREA
STUDY AREA 3 - MAINTENANCE AREA
STUDY AREA 4 - FUEL STORAGE AREA
STUDY AREA 5 - RECYCLING AREA
STUDY AREA 6 - WOOD LOT AREA
STUDY AREA 7 - WESTERN PROPERTY

CLEANUP SITE #1:
FUEL STORAGE AREA - WEST

CLEANUP SITE #2:
WOOD LOT AREA - WEST

BASE MAP: BING IMAGERY SERVICE
DATA SOURCES: USGS, ESRI, TRC

1:4,200
1" = 350'
0 350 700 FEET

PROJECT: FORMER GREAT NORTHERN PAPER MILL 50 MAIN STREET, EAST MILLINOCKET, PENOBSCOT COUNTY, MAINE	
TITLE: SITE LAYOUT PLAN (MAIN MILL AREA)	
DRAWN BY: E. YPSILANTIS	PROJ. NO.: 549784.0000.0000
CHECKED BY: R. BARBER	FIGURE 1
APPROVED BY: P. SHERR	
DATE: NOVEMBER 2024	
 63 MARGINAL WAY 4TH FLOOR PORTLAND, ME 04101 PHONE: 207.879.1930	
FILE:	549784_50MainSt_EastMillinocket.aprx

**Appendix A:
Photograph Log
Fuel Storage Area - West**

Photograph Log

Client Name:		Subject Property Location:	Project No.:
Town of East Millinocket, Maine		Fuel Storage Area – West, Former GNP Mill, 50 Main Street, East Millinocket, Maine	636165
Photo No.	Date		
1	10/7/25		
Description: 750,000-gallon fuel oil aboveground storage tank in the central portion of the Fuel Storage Area – West (to be removed), as viewed looking south.			

Photo No.	Date		
2	10/7/25		
Description: Refueling area on the western side of the 750,000-gallon fuel oil tank (note petroleum-saturated soils in this area).			

Photograph Log

Client Name:		Subject Property Location:	Project No.:
Town of East Millinocket, Maine		Fuel Storage Area – West, Former GNP Mill, 50 Main Street, East Millinocket, Maine	636165
Photo No.	Date		
3	10/7/25		
Description: Tank car refueling rack in the Fuel Storage Area – West (to be removed), as viewed looking north.			

Photo No.	Date		
4	10/7/25		
Description: 5,000-gallon overflow tank in the Fuel Storage Area – West (to be removed), as viewed look east.			

**Appendix B:
Photograph Log
Wood Lot Area - West**

Photograph Log

Client Name:		Subject Property Location:	Project No.:
Town of East Millinocket, Maine		Wood Lot Area – West, Former GNP Mill, 50 Main Street, East Millinocket, ME	636165
Photo No.	Date		
1	11/12/2025		
Description: Overview of the Wood Lot Area – West, as viewed looking east towards the main mill area.			

Photo No.	Date		
2	11/12/2025		
Description: Area of preliminary soil excavation in the Wood Lot Area – West, as viewed looking east towards the main mill area.			

Photograph Log

Client Name:		Subject Property Location:	Project No.:
Town of East Millinocket, Maine		Wood Lot Area – West, Former GNP Mill, 50 Main Street, East Millinocket, ME	636165
Photo No.	Date		
3	11/12/2025		
Description: Excavated material representative of soil conditions in the Wood Lot Area – West.			

Photo No.	Date		
4	10/7/2025		
Description: Stormwater retention pond on the southern portion of the Wood Lot Area – West, as viewed looking north.			