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## NEW YORK STATE CANAL CORPORATION ANNOUNCES DRONE SURVEYS OF THE CANAL SYSTEM TO BEGIN THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>

Surveys will focus on Water Retaining Embankments and Select Dam Structures

The New York State Canal Corporation today announced that it will be surveying water retaining embankments and select dam structures along the Canal system beginning the week of December 5, 2022. The survey work will be completed through drone flights to collect terrain data and photographs of the canal embankments and infrastructure. The information gathered will be used to aid in the planning of upcoming inspections.

Drone flights will be performed in the following areas:

- Segment 1 from Rochester to Macedon
- Segment 2 from Lockport to Ridgeway
- Segment 3 from Ridgeway to Sweden
- Segment 4 from Sweden to Rochester
- Segment 5 from Palmyra to Lyons
- Segment 6 Fulton/Clay Areas
- Segment 7 LaFayette/Sullivan Areas
- Segment 8 Trenton/Minden Areas
- Segment 9 Glen Falls/Fort Edward Areas

The contractors completing the survey work will be wearing high-visibility vests as they operate a drone flying overhead near the canal structures. The Canal Corporation will minimize any disruption to access of the nearby trails.

This routine work is not associated with the Canal Corporation's proposed Earthen Embankment Integrity Program.

It is anticipated that this survey process will be completed by June 30, 2023.

More information is available by visiting the Canal Corporation's website.

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

## **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.

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