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FUSRAP PROJECT FORMERLY ULITIZED SITES REMEDIAL ACTION PROGRAM

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planned improvements in the storage of low-level radioactive residues at the Department of Energy's Niagara Falls Storage Site have been completed for the 1982 construction season. The work, which began in May, included:

- --- Residues known as "R-10" materials that were stored in the open were consolidated into one pile and enclosed inside a dike with foundations to solid clay. The residues have been covered with a rubberized fabric as a temporary measure for the winter. The diked area has sufficient capacity to hold additional slightly contaminated materials resulting from further cleanup of the site.
- --- Residues inside Buildings 413 and 414 were sealed by the emplacement of layers of sand, vinyl fabric, and clay with a combined thickness of several feet on top of the residues contained in the two reinforced concrete storage structures.
- --- A vehicle wash pad was built to remove contaminated soil from construction vehicles.
- --- A water treatment system was installed to treat runoff from the wash pad and construction area.

Additionally, a contract has been awarded to Rigger Construction Co., of Tonawanda, N. Y., to clear and repair the perimeter fence at the site. That work is in progress.

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Several other Niagara-area contractors were involved in this year's on-site remedial work, under contracts totaling about \$1,250,000. Armand Cerrone, Inc., of Niagara Falls, did the excavation and dike construction to stabilize the R-10 materials. Sicoli and Massaro, Inc., of Niagara Falls, performed the work on Buildings 413 and 414.

Scrufari Construction Co., Inc., of Niagara Falls, built the vehicle wash pad and installed electrical equipment. Support services were provided by McIntosh & McIntosh, a Lockport surveying firm, and Empire Soils Investigations, Inc., an Orchard Park materials testing company.

Engineering is currently proceeding on additional improvements to be carried out in the future. The site, part of the former Lake Ontario Ordnance Works, is managed by Bechtel National, Inc., under a contract with the U. S. Department of Energy's Oak Ridge (Tennessee) Operations Office.