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Vote set on collecting Outwater Park soil

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LOCKPORT — The Common Council is expected to vote Wednesday to allow the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to collect soil samples in Outwater Park.

Council President John Lombardi III said Friday the Corps wants to use the samples as “clean” soil to compare with samples taken near the former Simonds Saw and Steel plant on Ohio Street.

That site is the subject of a planned federal cleanup because of radioactive contamination dating from its use as a uranium and thorium mill under a contract with the former U.S. Atomic Energy Commission from 1948 to 1956.

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