

Champlain Canal Navigation Dredging Needs



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What is the New York State Canal Corporation?

The New York State Canal Corporation, a subsidiary of the New York State Thruway Authority, is responsible for the maintenance, operation, and promotion of the historic 524-mile New York State Canal System.

The New York State Canal System is comprised of the Champlain, Erie, Oswego, and Cayuga-Seneca Canals.

Champlain Canal Background

- 63 Miles Long, from Waterford to Whitehall
- 11 Locks
- Originally Built in 1820s; Modern Canal Opened in 1913
- Follows the Hudson River from Waterford to Fort Edward
- Lock 7 Connects the Hudson River to the Man-Made Channel in Fort Edward
- Follows the Man-Made Channel from Fort Edward to Whitehall

Navigation Dredging History

- 1970s – Last Major Dredging Operations in Hudson River
- Maintenance Dredging in Hudson River Halted Due to PCB Contamination
- Limited Dredging Conducted Below Lock 4 in 2002, 2006, and 2007.
 - This Location is at the Mouth of the Hoosic River and is Relatively Clean Material

Navigation Dredging

- The Canal Corporation is Required Under its Regulations to Maintain a Minimum 12-Foot Deep Navigation Channel
- Channel Width Depends on Whether Canal is in the River or the Man-Made Channel

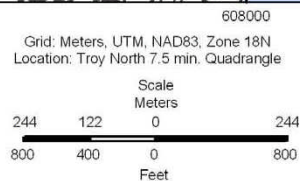
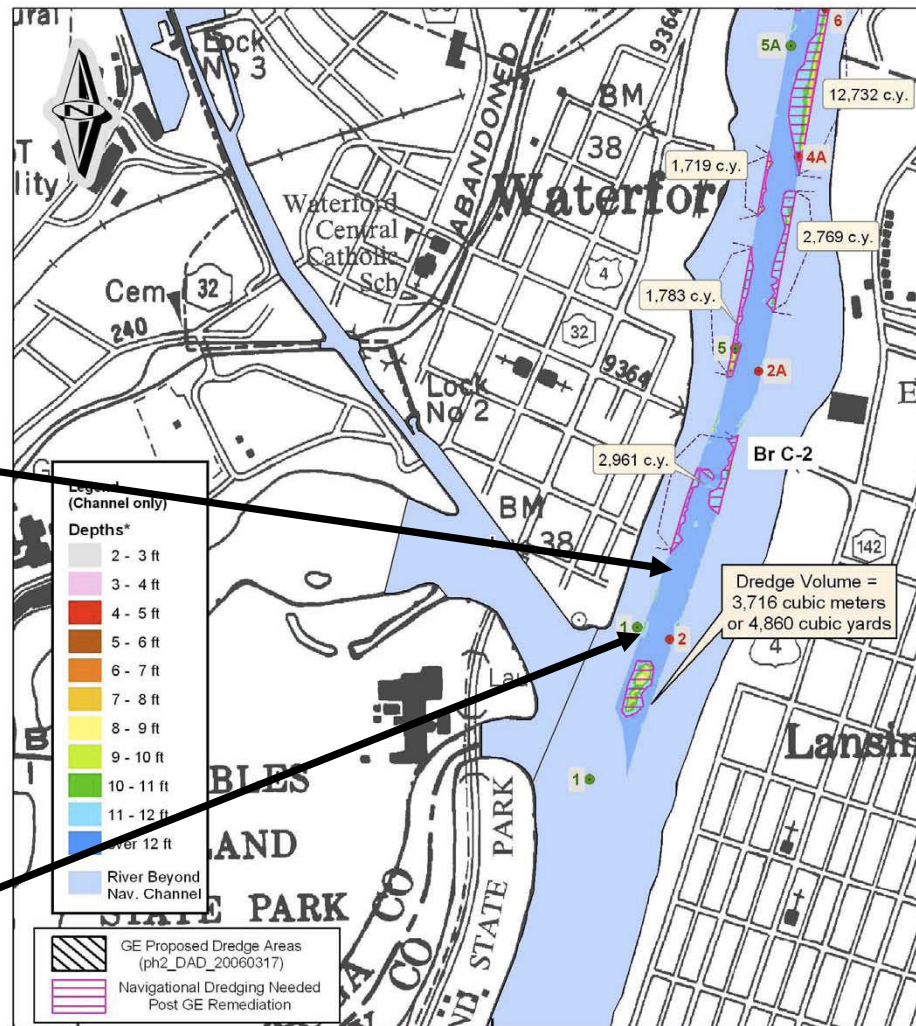
Navigation Dredging Maps

- The Maps You Have Were Developed By NYS Canal Corporation and the Office of the Attorney General
- Bathymetry is from 2005 Canal Corporation Survey

- Dark Blue Line Represents the Navigation Channel

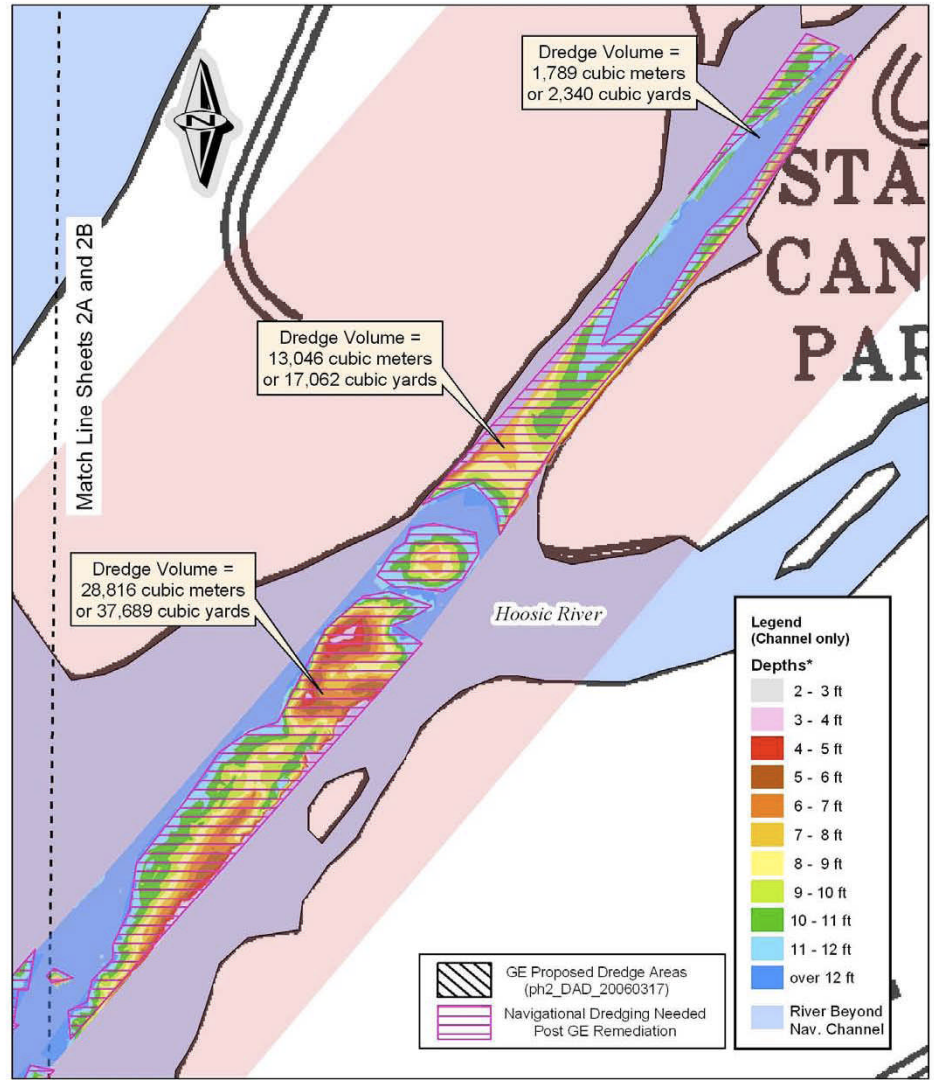
- Red and Green Dots are Buoys

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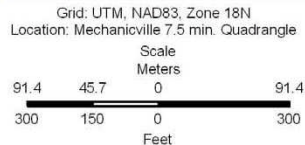


2005 Dredge Chart
New York State Canal Corporation
Albany Division, Section 1
Troy to Lock C1, Sheet 1

*Depths are from the published pool elevation of 15.2 ft BCD.
Total Dredge Volume this sheet = 20,509 cubic meters or 26,824 cubic yards.



*Depths are from the published pool elevation of 67.5 ft BCD.



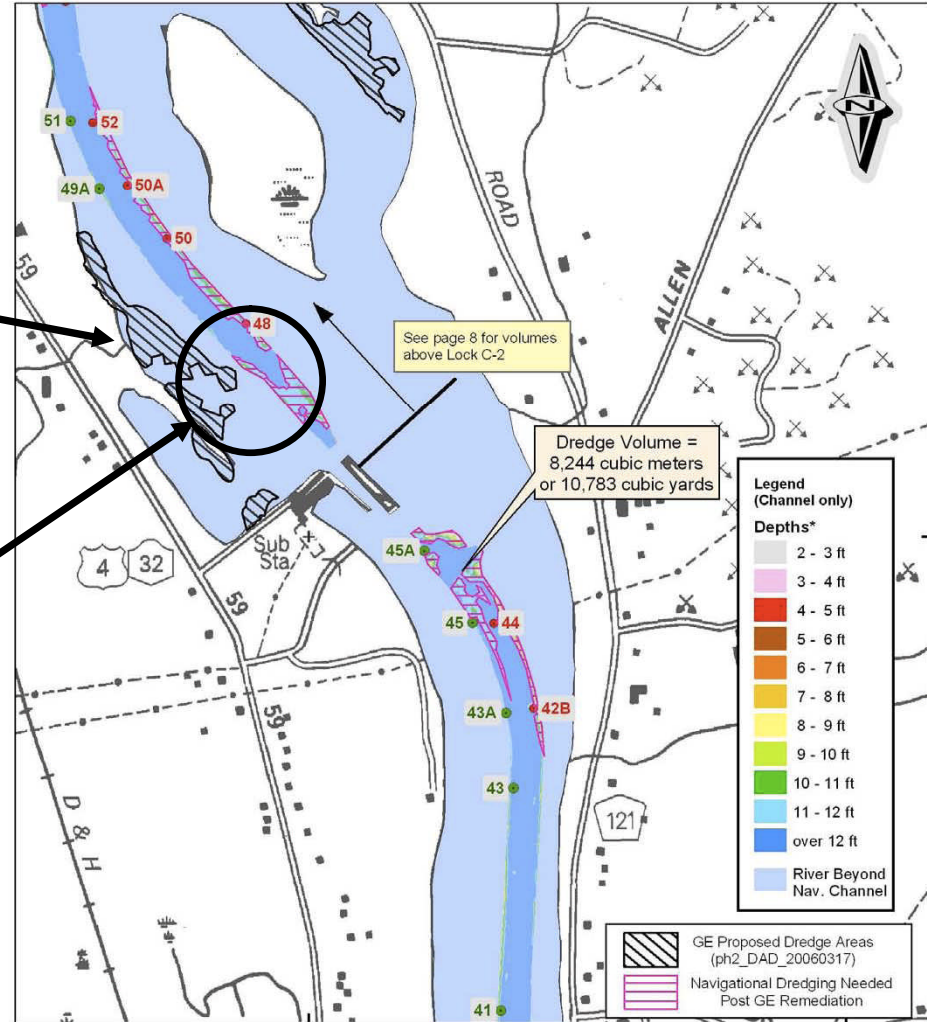
2005 Dredge Chart
 New York State Canal Corporation
 Albany Division, Section 1
 Lock C3 to Lock C4, Sheet 2B

Total Dredge Volume this sheet = 43,651 cubic meters or 57,091 cubic yards
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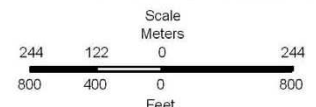
- Rainbow Colors Indicate Areas That Require Navigational Dredging (Any Areas With Less Than 12 Feet Depth)
- Red Hatches Indicate Dredging Needs That Will Not Be Addressed by GE

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- Black Hatches Indicate Areas That Will Be Dredged By GE
- Remedial Dredging and Navigational Dredging Do Not Always Overlap



608000 Grid: Meters, UTM, NAD83, Zone 18N 609000
 Location: Troy North and Mechanicville 7.5 min. Quads

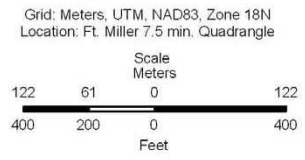
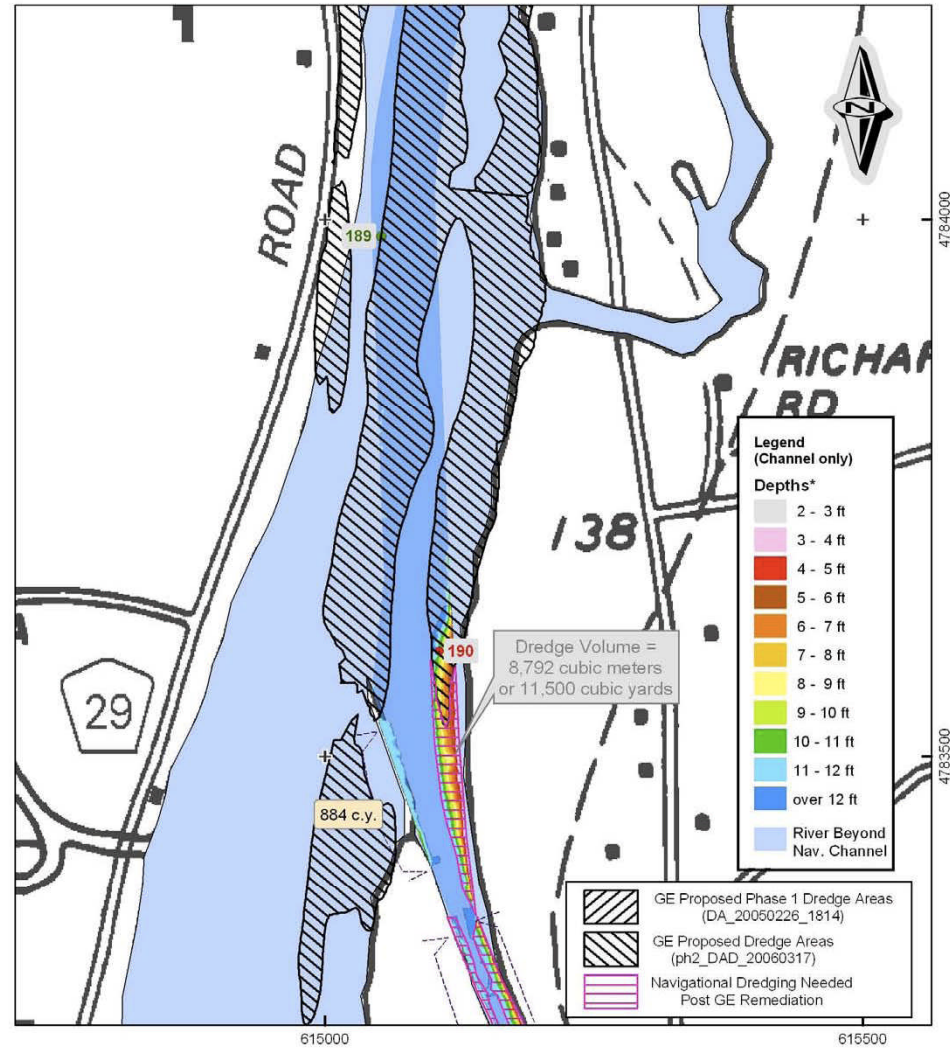


2005 Dredge Chart
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 Albany Division, Section 1
 Lock C1 to Lock C2, Sheet 4

*Depths are from the published pool elevation of 29.5 ft BCD.
 Total Dredge Volume this sheet = 8,244 cubic meters or 10,783 cubic yards.
 Total Dredge Volume this level = 33,719 cubic meters or 44,103 cubic yards.

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- Some Navigational Dredging Needs Will be Addressed While Others Will Not
- Volume Estimates Include The Entire Rainbow Volume; GE Dredging Volumes Are Not Subtracted



2005 Dredge Chart
 New York State Canal Corporation
 Albany Division, Section 1
 Lock C6 to Lock C7, Sheet 5

*Depths are from the published pool elevation of 119.0 ft BCD.
 Total Dredge Volume this sheet = 9,468 cubic meters or 12,384 cubic yards.

Questions?

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