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## ***Upcoming RAB Meeting: Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>***

### **More Evidence the NFSS Containment Structure is Leaking**

RAB Chair Bill Choboy reports, “A review by the RAB’s Technical Chair concludes that new data released by the Army Corps contradicts its assertion that radioactive contamination outside the containment cell is old and not newly created. In other words, there appears to be more, not less evidence that the NFSS is already leaking. This will be discussed at the Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> RAB meeting.”

Choboy went on to say, “We hope the Army Corps will participate rather than continue boycotting public discussion of technical disagreements with the Restoration Advisory Board it created in 1999.”

**Next Meeting:** The next RAB meeting will be on Wednesday, Dec. 4th, at 6:00p.m., at the Lew-Port Central School District’s Community Resource Center, in the Alumni Room.

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*The 191-acre Niagara Falls Storage Site (NFSS) is located on Pletcher Rd. in Lewiston, about one mile east of Lew-Port Central School District property. The NFSS is still owned by the federal government and temporarily houses radioactive material from atomic weapons production during the 1940’s and 50’s. The radioactive material is temporarily stored in a containment structure consisting of a WWII-era basement that was repaired in the early 1980’s and partially covered with engineered clay.*

*The NFSS is located on the former Lake Ontario Ordnance Works (LOOW) site. Located in the Towns of Lewiston and Porter, the LOOW consists of approximately 7,500 acres of publicly and privately owned parcels, once owned by the federal government for military operations begun during WWII.*

*The mission of the LOOW RAB is to promote the satisfactory remediation of the entire LOOW site and to help inform and involve the public. The RAB is a stakeholder group comprising municipalities, agencies, tribes, academics, property owners and members of the public. The RAB compliments but does not replace other forms of communication regarding U.S. Army Corps of Engineers environmental investigations and remediation activities at the LOOW site.*

Official information regarding the RAB can be found on the RAB website at <http://loowrab.com/>