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## **LOOW RAB Meeting, Tuesday Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, to feature presentation on investigations for chemicals and explosives at the LOOW**

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The next meeting of the LOOW RAB Steering Committee will be held on Tuesday, December 6th, at 6:00P.M. in the Alumni Room at the Community Resource Center, which is located at the northern end of the Lew-Port Central School District campus. Members are encouraged to attend and the public is welcome. According to Bill Choboy, “Chemist and engineer Ann Roberts will review some of the Army Corps investigation at the LOOW for contaminants including chemicals and explosives from former federal defense operations. Ann is well-regarded by agencies, academics and community members for her analytical work and extensive knowledge of historical investigations at the LOOW.”

### **LOOW RAB Meeting Agenda for December 6, 2011**

6:00p.m. Alumni Room, Community Resource Center, Lew-Port School District Campus

1. Recent DERP-FUDS Program (Chemical and Explosives) Investigation
2. Radiological Program Issues
3. LOOW RAB Public Participation
4. Administrative items
5. Other

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The mission of the Lake Ontario Ordnance Works (LOOW) Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) is to influence the investigation and promote the satisfactory remediation of the entire LOOW site, including all publicly and privately owned parcels. Convened in 1999, the RAB is a forum for the public and all stakeholders for the exchange of information as well as open and independent dialog concerning Army Corps of Engineers environmental investigations and remediation activities at the LOOW site.

The LOOW site consists of approximately 7,500 acres of publicly and privately owned parcels located in the Towns of Lewiston and Porter that were once owned by the federal government and used for military weapons production-related operations started during WWII. The LOOW includes the 191-acre Niagara Falls Storage Site, still owned by the federal government, and which still houses radioactive material from atomic weapons production during the 1940's and 50's.