

## Atlantic Richfield launching major demolition project to prepare waterfront for environmental cleanup



Atlantic Richfield Company will remove 10 structures from the waterfront in preparation for environmental cleanup work.

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Atlantic Richfield Company (AR), a BP-affiliated company, is preparing to take down 10 structures on the waterfront this fall in a significant effort to prepare the waterfront site for future environmental cleanup.

This project will clear all of the structures except the water tower and the two brick buildings on the north end of the waterfront, known as Buildings 51 and 52.

"This fall, we will take down all but these three remaining structures, opening up a view of the River and the Palisades for the community and getting this site ready for the next phase of work," AR Deputy Operations Manager Joe Sontchi said.

AR previously removed 10 other structures on the 28-acre site, most in 2004 and 2005.



The water tower and the two buildings on the north end of the site are not currently scheduled for demolition.

## Atlantic Richfield is focused on safety in upcoming demolition project

Just as in previous work, AR is focused on safety as it prepares to launch this fall's major demolition project.

AR demands the highest standards of health and safety from all of its employees, contractors and subcontractors on its projects. Our goals are simple: no accidents, no harm to people and no damage to the environment. AR expects every member of our team to play a role in making this a safe project both for workers on our site and for the surrounding communities.

### Asbestos abatement

The first step prior to the actual demolition is asbestos abatement. AR will hire an experienced, licensed contractor to safely remove or prepare materials containing asbestos prior to the buildings being taken down.



Workers employing dust suppression measures during demolition in 2005.

### Dust control

AR's contractors will be using dust prevention measures to minimize and contain dust from demolition work, which typically include soaking structures and grounds with municipal water from industrial hoses.

AR's contractors also will use real-time air monitoring to maximize their ability to control dust generated on site during construction work.



Atlantic Richfield will use real-time air monitoring during demolition.

### Traffic impact reduction

AR and The Village of Hastings-on-Hudson will work together to minimize traffic impacts from trucks removing debris from the site. AR contractors will follow a Village-designated truck route. In addition, the Village will restrict truck traffic to specific times, minimizing any added impact on drive time. AR's contractors will tarp all trucks and comply with all state regulations for hauling waste materials.

### Noise reduction

Noise on a demolition project is inevitable, but AR will require contractors to follow a reasonable work schedule to minimize noise early in the morning or late afternoon and will continually look for ways to minimize noise during work hours.

### Visit [www.oneriverstreet.com](http://www.oneriverstreet.com) for progress reports on demolition project

Visit AR's project web site, [www.oneriverstreet.com](http://www.oneriverstreet.com), for progress reports and updated information on the demolition project. On average, about 30 visitors per day check in to [www.oneriverstreet.com](http://www.oneriverstreet.com) to learn the latest about this important project.

BP in the community

## Atlantic Richfield donates solar-powered vehicle to Village

Atlantic Richfield Company, a BP-affiliated company, recently donated a solar-powered, all-terrain electric vehicle to the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson.

Joe Sontchi, AR's Deputy Operations Manager, said, "This vehicle is an example of our commitment to alternative energy and to harnessing the non-polluting power of the sun. It also represents the ingenuity that is needed from companies and municipalities alike as we strive to provide traditional and nontraditional energy for the future. AR is a global leader in solar technology, so we are happy to support the Village's interest in reducing its carbon footprint through the use of solar power."

The solar-powered vehicle, equipped with a 48-volt battery system charged by a 185-watt photovoltaic solar panel manufactured by Bad Boy Buggies, will be used to transport Village staff and Hastings-on-Hudson residents to activities and events.

Peter Swiderski, Mayor of Hastings-on-Hudson, said, "One of my priorities as Mayor is to identify ways to reduce the Village's carbon footprint. This solar-powered vehicle will help us reduce our use of fossil fuels. Solar-powered vehicles are energy efficient and convenient, and their quiet operation is a big plus for moving around our Village. We are grateful for Atlantic Richfield's support for clean energy, and look forward to working closely with them in the next phase of their remediation work in cleaning up our Village's waterfront."



Pictured from Left to Right: Peter Swiderski, Mayor, Village of Hastings-on-Hudson and Joe Sontchi, Deputy Operations Manager, Atlantic Richfield.



AR Deputy Operations Manager Joe Sontchi presents a \$5,000 check to Village Mayor Peter Swiderski to sponsor the Village's Riverday Celebration.

## BP was a major sponsor of Explore New York 400

BP was a major sponsor of the River Day celebration of the 400th Anniversary of Henry Hudson's exploration of the river that now bears his name, as well as the 200th anniversary of Robert Fulton's maiden journey up the Hudson River of the first successful steamboat.

A highlight of Explore New York 400 included a special trip up the Hudson River by a flotilla of heritage vessels, including a replica of Henry Hudson's Half Moon.

Atlantic Richfield and BP also donated \$5,000 to the Riverday Celebration, Hastings-on-Hudson's own Hudson River celebration. The event included a boat parade, live music, children's crafts, and more.

## Atlantic Richfield sponsors Grassroots Music Festival



Atlantic Richfield and BP were key sponsors of the Take Me to the River Grassroots Music Festival in Draper Park in Hastings-on-Hudson. The event included music, food, sustainable energy displays, artisans and children's activities.

Joe Sontchi said, "It's important to us to be a good neighbor in the community and play an active role in the life of the community by sponsoring community events and initiatives."

# Vision and values

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US Other Assets

On the near future, New York State Departments of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) is expected to announce a final remedy selection for the cleanup of the former Anaconda Wire and Cable Company here in Hastings-on-Hudson.



Once NYSDEC issues what is known as a Preliminary Remedial Action Plan (PRAP), the document will be submitted to the public for comment. I strongly urge interested residents to share questions, thoughts, and concerns about this plan during the public comment period.

This is a very complicated and technically challenging project. Trying to solve some of those challenges has taken longer than initially thought, but is not untypical for a project of this size and scope. Atlantic Richfield has been working closely with NYSDEC and Village of Hastings-on-Hudson officials over the last several years, conducting investigations both on the waterfront and the River to provide the best scientific data possible to help NYSDEC with its final remedy selection. At the end of the process, both AR and the Agency are committed to finding the right remedy for the environment and the community.

The next several months are expected to be very important for this project, both with the upcoming PRAP and the demolition work. Please visit our website, [www.oneriverstreet.com](http://www.oneriverstreet.com) to follow the latest news.

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