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Water station on track to be complete by end of July

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PAINTED POST | Work to build a water loading station at the former Ingersoll-Rand foundry site is expected to be completed in late July.

Edger Construction, of Horseheads, has said work on the loading station is 50 percent complete, according to Larry A. Smith, supervisor of the village public works department.

The station is being paid for by the Wellsboro & Corning Railroad, which will transport up to a million gallons of water a day from the site to be used for hydraulic fracturing in northern Pennsylvania.

Tom Myles, an executive with The Myles Group, which owns the Wellsboro & Corning Railroad, could not be reached Wednesday for comment.

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Basin Commission to sell up to a million gallons of water a day to natural gas driller SWEPI LP, a Houston-based subsidiary of Shell Oil.

The village could earn more than \$4 million a year selling water under the five-year agreement. SWEPI will pay .01106 cents a gallon and will be billed on a monthly basis.

Painted Post Mayor Roz Crozier could not be reached Wednesday for comment.

Crews expect to complete the construction of a water loading station at the former Ingersoll-Rand foundry site by late July. The station will be used to load railcars with village water to be transported to northern Pennsylvania for hydraulic fracturing.