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State gives all-clear at recreation field

■ Early tests at factory site turn up no hazards.

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Brandon Hodge, Common Country Club worker

a recreation area at the former Remington Rand and American LaFrance industrial site, New York state environmental officials say.

The state Department of Environmental Conservation began testing last week on soil and groundwater on the former 3,000-square-foot recreation and picnic area after neighbors claimed that the property is so contaminated with hazardous waste that parts of it can't support plant life. Reports also surfaced that 55-gallon drums were buried on the recreation site.

Thus far, however, the state Department of Environmental Conservation has found no hazardous substances, drums or tanks, said Mary Jane Peachey, a conservation department regional hazardous waste engineer.

The partially fenced-in recreation area contains pavilions and old softball fields. It was used by employees of the manufacturing facilities that once operated on the property. The property is private and off-limits to the public, but neighbors say people nevertheless enter the property.

The state is awaiting laboratory results on the soil and

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