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Wolf River Hydropower LP (WRHLP) wishes to inform shoreline owners, stakeholders, and local authorities that the reservoir in the Wolf River downstream of Keshena and upstream of Balsam Row Dam will not be refilled by the May 20, 2026 deadline for the protection of turtles nesting upstream of the dam.


The spring inflows to the reservoir have made the seal repairs on the radial gates difficult because the gate sills are still underwater and a minimal amount of concrete repair is required to obtain a good seal on the gates.

WRHLP has retained a contractor to repair the gates and the contractor was on-site repairing three of the gates, but the higher tailwater elevation has not made it possible to complete all the required work on the first three gates.

WRHLP apologizes to those affected by the continued drawdown of the reservoir; however, WRHLP is committed to repairing the facility and returning it to normal operation. To that end, WRHLP will continue to work with contractors during the summer months with the goal of returning the reservoir to normal levels after September 18, 2026, but prior to the onset of winter.

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