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Big fire at Spier Falls dam halts power generation

By Ben Westcott

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A fire fought by 10 local fire companies at Spier Falls Dam in Moreau on Saturday evening wreaked havoc on the 56 megawatt hydroelectric plant owned by New York City-based Brookfield Renewable U.S.

"Unfortunately, the powerhouse at the Spier Falls hydropower facility has been lost to the fire," the company said in a statement.

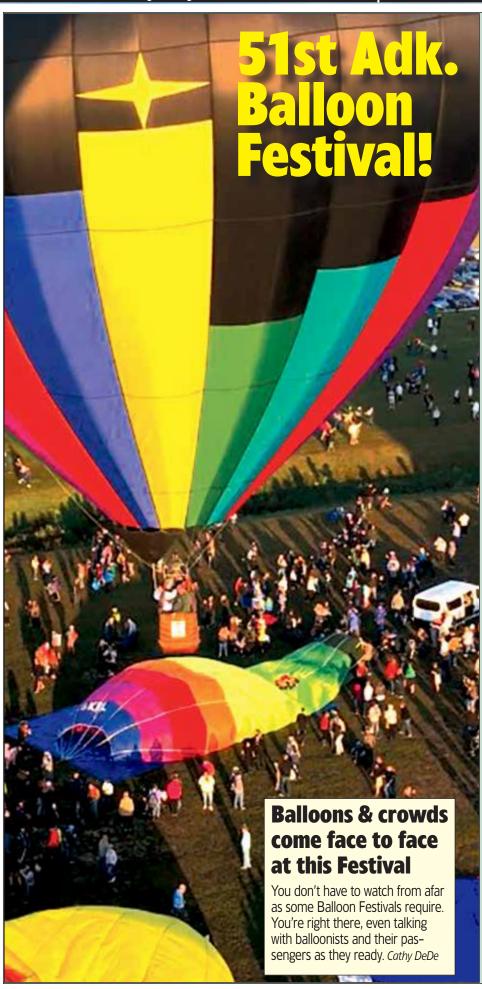
"Brookfield plans to restore operations, but we don't currently have a timeline," Mark Luciano, Brookfield Renewable Stakeholder Relations Manager, told *The Chronicle* Tuesday. He

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Cannabis, greenhouses, farmstand proposed at Exit 17

Chronicle reporter Ben Westcott writes: Shangri-La Real Estate Holdings of Saratoga Springs wants to build a dozen 3,600 sq. ft. green-

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Thursday to Sunday, Sept. 19-22

By Cathy DeDe

Chronicle Managing Editor

Up to 80 balloons including nine special shapes are expected at the 51st Adirondack Hot Air Balloon Festival, Thursday to Sunday, Sept. 19 to 22.

Thursday at Crandall Park

Again this year, all Thursday activities take place at locals-friendly Crandall Park. No downtown festival or car show. Plans include the first launch of 20-plus balloons, possibly some special shapes, opening ceremonies, food vendors and kids' activities, live music by Jonathan Newell Band and the New York Players, after-dark mini moonglow and first sales of Balloon Fest merchandise.

Friday-Sunday at airport

The Balloon Festival continues at Warren County's Floyd Bennett Airport in Queensbury Friday, Saturday and Sunday with launches set Friday afternoon, Saturday early morning & late afternoon and Sunday morning.

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