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**OPENING OF SLSDC'S DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER VISITORS' CENTER  
DELAYED DUE TO FACILITY DAMAGE**

**The Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation (SLSDC) announced today that the Dwight D. Eisenhower Visitors' Center, located at the U.S. Eisenhower lock in Massena, N.Y., will not open to the public on Memorial Day weekend due to on-going facility maintenance to repair damages caused by this past winter's weather. During the repair period, visitors should proceed to the Eisenhower Lock North Side Observation area, which is open to the public and will remain open throughout the year.**

**The SLSDC has been working on repairing the facility, which includes replacement of the main building's roof and repairs to the ground floor of the Center that suffered water damage. The 50-year-old structure sustained the damage due to a failure of the roof that is also the main level of the observation deck. The SLSDC expects to complete the work over the next few weeks.**

**"We thank the public for their understanding and look forward to restoring the Visitors' Center for the community and visitors to the North Country," said Sal Pisani, SLSDC Associate Administrator for Seaway Operations. "Once the repairs have been completed, the SLSDC will announce the reopening of the Visitors' Center and provide visitors with the opportunity to enjoy viewing the ships that navigate the St. Lawrence Seaway."**

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