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EDEN, Vt. (AP) — The Vermont attorney general's office says the state has filed a settlement agreement with the former owner of a defunct asbestos mine over cleanup of the site in Eden and Lowell.

The attorney general's office said Thursday that the state will recover some past expenses from mitigation work done at the site.

The state says Vermont Asbestos Group, Inc. will maintain the corrective structures for the next ten years.

The company also has agreed to work with the state and Environmental Protection Agency to get money from its insurance policies, which will help the state and EPA cover past and future cleanup costs.

The asbestos mine, located on 1,500 acres, operated in the two towns for nearly a century, closing in 1993.

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