

DUPONT POMPTON LAKES WORKS

SITE HISTORY



1886

E.B. Smith Cap Company constructed along Lake Inez in Wanaque River Valley

1888

Black Powder Plant constructed in Acid Brook Valley by American Manufacturing Company

1890

Metallic Cap Company constructed plant in Wanaque River Valley

1894

American Smokeless Company built on west side of Lake Inez in Wanaque River Valley

1902

DuPont purchased the Metallic Cap Company

1905

DuPont purchased Laflin and Rand Company and Julius Smith Company

1926

Manufacturing operations moved from Wanaque River Valley to Acid Brook Valley

1994

Manufacturing operations ceased at Acid Brook Valley



EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Pre-World War I – up to 300

World War I – 7,500

World War II – 2,000

Caps and fuses were made at Pompton Lakes, which normally produced blasting supplies. Employment jumped from 300 to 7,500: peak daily output reached 1,500,000 caps.

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