§ 1854-c. Permanent disposal facilities. 1. The authority shall consult and cooperate with the department of environmental conservation and the commission for siting low-level radioactive waste disposal facilities pursuant to the provisions of article twenty-nine of the environmental conservation law and such department and commission shall make available to the authority all information with respect to potential sites and disposal methods which may be relevant to the design of, or preparation of applications for state licenses, permits, or other approvals for, such facilities. The authority shall make preparations for submitting as soon as practicable applications for any state licenses, permits, or other approvals required for the construction and operation of permanent disposal facilities.

2. Upon certification by the department of environmental conservation of siting and disposal method selections for permanent disposal facilities pursuant to section 29-0105 of the environmental conservation law, the authority shall immediately complete development of and submit, as soon as practicable after such certification, but no later than the first day of January nineteen hundred ninety, complete applications for any state licenses, permits, or other approvals required for the construction and operation of such permanent disposal facilities, in accordance with the siting and disposal method certification of such department. Upon such certification, the authority shall also immediately take steps to acquire and hold in the name of the state of New York any property interests which it may need to obtain for such permanent disposal facilities.

3. Upon receipt of required state licenses, permits, or other approvals for such permanent disposal facilities and if access is not available on reasonable terms to disposal facilities outside of New York for low-level radioactive waste estimated to be generated within New York state during the life of such permanent disposal facilities, the authority is authorized and directed to immediately construct, and to operate and maintain, permanent disposal facilities in accordance with such licenses, permits, and other approvals. Permanent disposal facilities shall be completed and begin operation no later than the first day of January nineteen hundred ninety-three.