

Appendix J – Other Resources

Ontario County Soil and Water Conservation District

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SWCD can plan and implement programs to protect watersheds. They receive funding from grants and other sources for the use of their programs. Programs can range from outreach and education to mitigation activities. These districts also can advise local governments in regards to decisions affecting water resources.

Ontario County Planning Department

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Ontario County Planning attempts to provide information to their clients, be involved in issue identification and problem solving of local importance, and advocate planning and research as tools in strategy formation. The Planning Department coordinates local agencies that deal with the areas of planning, grants, environmental issues, economic development, transportation, agriculture, and watershed planning.

The department has experience with areas that relate to watershed planning, including hazard mitigation planning, docking and mooring laws, the watershed districts, and connections to the SWCD. Their connections with local agencies and experience in watershed management would be beneficial.

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Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) of Ontario County is a community-based, not-for-profit education organization. They have connections with Cornell University, which allow them to bring current and research-based information to the residents with the goal of improving their communities. CCE focuses on agriculture, horticulture, the environment, and community development. Their environmental activities include a focus on land use and water quality.

CCE of Ontario County can provide their knowledge and research on land use and water issues. They can also involve citizens and other local agencies. CCE also provides programs, activities, and resources that could relate to watershed management.

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Yates County Planning Department

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Yates County Planning works in a variety of arenas, such as zoning, environmental planning, economic development, and so on. The department also provides information to the community and is involved in issue identification and problem solving. The Planning Department coordinates local agencies that deal with relevant concerns.

The department has experience with environmental planning, including planning relating to water. Their connections with local agencies would be beneficial.

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The mission of Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) is to improve the lives of people in Yates County through partnerships that put experience and research knowledge to work. They use teamwork and collaboration to meet their customer's needs. Their methods include: mutual respect and trust for others, positive communication, a willingness to work with others, and an appreciation of each other. CCE is a community-based, not-for-profit education organization. They have connections with Cornell University, which allow them to bring current and research-based information to the residents with the goal of improving their communities. Their environmental activities include a focus on land use and water quality.

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Canandaigua Lake Watershed Council

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The Canandaigua Lake Watershed Council consists of one representative from each of the fourteen (14) Canandaigua Lake Watershed municipalities: City of Canandaigua, Town of Bristol, Town of Canandaigua, Town of Gorham, Town of Hopewell, Town of Italy, Town of Middlesex, Town of Naples, Town of Potter, Town of South Bristol, Village of Naples, Village of Newark, Village of Palmyra, and Village of Rushville. The Council is the lead entity in coordinating efforts to protect the watershed.

The Council provides a forum for the communities to voice their individual interests and needs. The Council's goal of "maintaining and enhancing the high water quality of the watershed" is achieved in four ways through "education, research, restoration/protection and, if necessary, regulation." The Council is charged with implementing the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Management Plan. They strive to work with the citizen groups along with county and state agencies to foster collaboration.

Canandaigua Lake Watershed Commission

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The Canandaigua Lake Watershed Commission is an organization enabled by NYS Public Health Law (1954). The Commission is made up of five (5) water purveying municipalities. These municipalities distribute by selling Canandaigua Lake water for public consumption. The five "purveyors" are: the City of Canandaigua, the Villages of Newark, Palmyra, and Rushville, and the Town of Gorham. Each of these municipalities has a pipe that extends directly into the lake for removal and transport of water. The five purveyors sell water to their own residents and also sell water to other municipalities.

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The Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council (G/FLRPC) identifies, defines, and informs its nine member counties of issues and opportunities relating to the physical, economic, and social health of the region. G/FLRPC provides forums for discussion, debate, and consensus building, and develops and implements a focused action plan with clearly defined outcomes, which include programs, personnel, and funding. The primary functions of G/FLRPC include local, regional, and water resources planning; economic development; strategic planning; program and grant development; surveys; and a data, technology, and resource center.

G/FLRPC has extensive interest in the area of watershed and water resources planning, including hazard mitigation planning, watershed management planning, and other projects related to the various water resources in the region. The agency also has ties with various agencies in the counties and municipalities that it serves.