

Discovery Report Appendix C

PreDiscovery Meeting Summary

Oneida Lake Watershed

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Meeting Summary from Oneida Watershed Pre- Discovery Webinar

Held on Tuesday, April 5th, 2016, 2:00 pm

Attendees:

- Albert Ash, NYSDEC, Utica
- Joseph Benedict, Village of Sylvan Beach
- Terry Bennet, Oswego County Emergency Management Office
- Katherine Burns, Village of Cazenovia
- Bill Carr, Town of Cazenovia
- Bill Coon, USGS New York Water Science Center
- Phil Constanzo, Town of Sullivan
- Edward Hart, Syracuse-Onondaga Planning Agency
- Christine Manchester, Town of Dewitt
- Laura Ortiz, USACE
- Jon Rauscher, City of Oneida
- Richard Snider, Village of Munnsville
- Mike Sudol, Madison County Emergency Management

Meeting Notes

The presentation began at 2 pm EST.

Grace Vinson introduced the webinar and called roll.

Kelli Higgins-Roche of New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and Andrew Martin of the Region II office of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) discussed the purpose of the webinar and emphasized the importance of stakeholder participation.

Samara Ebinger of Dewberry covered the following topics:

- The Oneida watershed Discovery project area, which involves 5 counties and 63 communities.
- Overview of FEMA's Risk MAP Program
- Overview of the Discovery process
- Discovery process products and results
- Overview of background data currently being collected by the project team

Lisa Mahoney of The Clark Group presented information on the stakeholder survey and data the team is looking for from local communities and organizations including:

- Flood mapping needs/historical flood problems
- Community planning/ongoing projects/mitigation activities
- GIS data
- Other people/organizations to invite to the Discovery Meetings

Lisa Mahoney of The Clark Group finished the presentation with the project schedule:

- Stakeholders are asked to complete the survey before May 6th.
- In person meetings will take place in May-June
- Final Discovery report and maps will be finished by the fall.

Kelli Higgins-Roche of NYSDEC asked attendees for any additional contacts to include in the Discovery Meeting, or ideas for potential meeting locations:

Questions or comments raised by participants:

- Joe Benedict of the Village of Sylvan Beach commented that the Oneida Lake Association and the Oneida Lake Watershed Management Association should be invited to the Discovery Meetings.
- Phil Constanzo commented that Madison County Soil and Water and the Oneida Indian Nation should be invited to the Discovery Meetings.

Meeting Summary from Oneida Watershed Pre-Discovery Webinar

Held on Thursday, April 7th, 2016, 10:00 am

Attendees:

- Brent Black, New York Canal Corporation
- Ambrose Barbuto, New York Canal Corporation
- Russell Brownell, Lewis County
- Selina Arthur, Lewis County
- Jeff Geer, Village of Chittenango
- John Greeley, Town of Lafayette
- Stephanie Guereschi, QPK Design
- Tyler Henry, Town of Camden
- Janet Marsden, Syracuse University
- David Turner, Oswego County

Meeting Notes

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- One stakeholder recommended contacting the Oneida Lake Watershed Association and the Tug Hill Commission. He said he could reserve a meeting location in Cleveland or Williamstown.
- Janet Marsden of Syracuse University asked if there would be public education about green infrastructure alternatives to traditional mitigation. She commented that the City of Syracuse and Onondaga County are doing a lot of green infrastructure work and have a lot of data pertaining to local projects that could be shared with stakeholders outside the County. Kelli Higgins-Roche responded that she would talk to Janet offline about incorporating that information into the Discovery process.