Discovery Report Appendix I
Community Acknowledgement Letters
Lake Ontario – St. Lawrence Watershed
HUC 04150309

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Joe Martens  
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August 14, 2014

The Honorable Greg Rogers, Mayor  
3 West Main Street  
Le Roy, NY 14482

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Rogers:

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Absent different information, we are assuming the Village is satisfied with the current FIRMs and has no new flood study requests at this time.
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Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
Village of Le Roy

Dated 8/29/14

JEFFREY STEINBRENNER
Cc: Bruce Gerould, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Le Roy

Ecc: Paul Web, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Jack Marren, Supervisor
85 East Main Street
Victor, NY 14564

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Marren:

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1. Ganaragua Creek should be an updated detailed study for its entire length within the Town due to the development of manufactured homes along the creek and frequent flooding issues.
2. Mud Creek should be an updated detailed study from the confluence with Ganaragua Creek to the corporate limits of the Town due to commercial development near the creek.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There was a bridge/culvert replaced by NYSDOT in 2011 on Wangum Road over Irondequoit Creek.
• There has been a reconstruction and culvert replacement along Route 251 by NYSDOT.
• There is a section of piped stream between I-490 and High Street.
• There are two portions of Town land that have been annexed to the Village of Victor.
• There is a dam along the unmapped reach of Great Brook just outside the Village limits.
• The studies on the maps are likely outdated and the Town would benefit greatly from updated digital mapping.

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Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen
William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Victor

Dated 9/3/2014

Cc: Alan Benedict, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Victor
Kenneth Wilson, Stormwater Manager, Town of Victor,
Mark Years, Highway Superintendent, Town of Victor

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Clifford Hill, Supervisor
10388 Common Road
Remsen, New York 13438

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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We received a Community RiskMAP Questionnaire dated October 8, 2013. No areas of flooding concern or request for restudy were noted on the questionnaire. Absent different information, we are assuming the Town is satisfied with the current FIRMs and has no new flood study requests at this time.
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Sincerely,

[Signature]

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

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Supervisor
Town of Remsen

Dated 8/28/14

Cc: James Mason, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Remsen

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
    Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
    Albert Ash, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Dean Theodorakos, Mayor
35-37 East Bank Street
Albion, NY 14411

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1. The West Branch Sandy Creek should be an updated approximate study due to seasonal flooding on Moore Street and many improvements to culverts and bridges.
2. Marsh Creek should be a new approximate study within the corporate limits of the town due to development in the area near the creek.

The Village also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the scope of the project:

- There is a generator backup for the storm system near the Erie Canal on Main Street.
- There is seasonal flooding along Caroline Street from the West Branch Sandy Creek.
• There was a culvert replaced on Brown Street for the West Branch Sandy Creek.
• The bridge was replaced on E State Street over Sandy Creek in the 1970s or 1980s.
• The Village limits have been extended to the ends of State School Road and Washington Street.
• The State replaced a bridge on East Ave over West Branch Sandy Creek.

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Sincerely,

William S. Nechaman
William Nechaman, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
Village of Albion

Dated August 31, 2014

Cc: Dale Brooks, Highway Superintendent, Village of Albion
Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. John Salisbury, Supervisor
8220 Loop Road
Baldwinsville, NY 13027

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Salisbury:

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Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Lysander

Dated 9/2/14

Cc: Tom Wolsley, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Lysander

Ecc: Paul Webber, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Kevin Delaney, DEC Region 7
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Richard Pastecki, Mayor
37 Main Street
Oakfield, NY 14125

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Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor JASON ARMSTRONG
Village of Oakfield

Dated 8-27-14

Cc: Bruce Gerould, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Oakfield

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
        Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
        Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Grant Moshier, Mayor
PO Box 386
Constableville, NY 13325

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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The County Representatives as the November 2013 meetings requested and updated detailed study of Sugar River through the Village of Constableville.
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Sincerely,

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Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Mayor
Village of Constableville

Dated 9/1/14

Cc: Ward Dailey, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Constableville

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

Mr. Daniel Engert, Supervisor
8700 Haight Road
PO Box 386
Baker, NY 14012

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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- The current FEMA floodplain maps are accurate for the Town and there are no requests for new or updated studies at this time.

The Town also provided the follow information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- The Town has digital information on the location of essential and critical facilities.
- The Town has hardcopy records of local flood or rain gage data.
- The Town has digital data on the various highway culverts and underground piped streams.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. Please also provide a numbered prioritized list of the above restudy requests with 1 ranking the highest in priority. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpln@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen

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Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Dated 9/3/14

Supervisor
Town of Somerset

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     James Vogel, DEC Region 9
     Thomas Wantuck, DEC Region 9
August 14, 2014

Mr. Richard Moy, Supervisor
PO Box 145
Clarendon, NY 14429

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Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Clarendon

Dated 8/19/14

Cc: Paul Chatfield, Town Engineer, Town of Clarendon
Larry Swanger, Highway Superintendent, Town of Clarendon

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable John Kenney, Mayor
72 Public Square
Holley, NY 14470

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William Nechamen
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
Village of Holley

Dated 8/18/2014

Cc:  David Nanni, Highway Superintendent, Village of Holley

Ecc:  Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Steven Groat, Supervisor
6 South Park Street
Clyde, NY 14433

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1. The Town needs updated studies for all of the streams due to age of current studies and multiple areas of flooding within the Town.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplain gw.dec.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

STEVEN J. GROAT

Supervisor
Town of Galen

Dated AUGUST 18, 2014

Cc: Thomas Sawtelle, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Galen

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Dennis Stirk, Supervisor
3665 Clarendon Road
Albion, NY 14411

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Stirk:

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1. Current maps are accurate for the Town, but the Town would like digital maps with approximate studies using updated elevation information and a more useable scale.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. Please also provide a numbered prioritized list of the above restudy or new study requests with 1 ranking the highest in priority. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpln@dec.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

William Nechaney
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Albion

Dated 8/8/14

Cc: Daniel Strong, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Albion
Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Barry Leemann, Supervisor
521 County Route 17A
Williamstown, NY 13493

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Leemann,

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We regret having missed the opportunity to meet with your community at both the pre-Discovery webinars and the in person Discovery meetings to discuss FEMA’s RiskMAP program. The purpose of the meetings was to explain the new mapping process and products, and to review your priorities for areas to be studied for the new maps. Please understand that budget constraints will prevent us from fulfilling all of the requested studies at this time, but every request will be considered, and all unfulfilled requests will be officially cataloged as a stream study need for future remapping projects. These stream study requests will help direct and prioritize FEMA’s future mapping activities.

Absent different information, we are assuming the Town is satisfied with the current FIRMs and has no new flood study requests at this time.
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Sincerely,

William Nechaman, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Dated 8-18-14

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Supervisor
Town of Amboy

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
    Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
    Kevin Delaney, DEC Region 7
August 14, 2014

The Honorable William McVea, Mayor
PO Box 614
Fair Haven, NY 13064

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor McVea:

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1. There is a ravine along Little Sodus bay where a culvert was filled and washed out the foundation of a house along the shore during a storm event.
2. There should be a new approximate study for the unnamed tributary to Little Sodus Bay. There is a section of the stream that is piped near Fair Haven Road and the Main Street culvert was replaced in 2006 or 2007.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpln@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
Village of Fair Haven

Dated 8/18/14

Cc: Stan Krawczyk, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Fair Haven

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Kevin Delaney, DEC Region 7
August 14, 2014

Mr. Michael Wiggins, Supervisor
1323 Town Barn Road
Red Creek, NY 13143

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Wiggins:

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- There are no requests for updated or new stream studies requested at this time.
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Sincerely,

William S. Nechemia

William Nechemia, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Victory

Dated 8/18/2014

Cc: Lezli Parsons, Assessor, Town of Victory

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Kevin Delaney, DEC Region 7
August 14, 2014

Ms. Patricia Marini, Supervisor
3600 Lorraine Drive
Walworth, NY 14568

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Ms. Marini:

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1. The Town needs updated studies for all of the streams due to age of current studies and difficulty making determination using current effective maps.
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Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]

Supervisor
Town of Walworth

Dated 8/1/2014

Cc: Norman Druschel, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Walworth

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. John Gaylord, Supervisor
13149 State Route 12
Boonville, NY 13309

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Gaylord:

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Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Dated 9/18/14

Supervisor
Town of Boonville

Cc: Katherine Crill, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Boonville

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

Mr. Stephen Roy, Supervisor
14-16 Mill Street
Sodus, NY 14551

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Roy:

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- Lake Ontario needs updated detailed study due to inaccuracies depicted on the map. Houses east of Boller Point at the mouth of Sill Creek are shown as in the floodplain, but are 32 feet above the water. There is also coastal erosion of about 40 feet along Maxwell Bay were trees are down along the bluff.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- Community noted concerns about impacts on Sodus Bay if Charles Point/Crescent Beach is breached. Major concern is that water surface elevations will increase in the bay.
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Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Sodus

Dated 8/18/14

Cc: Al Hendrikse, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Sodus

Ecc: Paul Webberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8

I have made it very clear to representatives from both DEC and FEMA that there is grave concern across the entire South Shore of Lake Ontario that if implemented, Plan 2014 will cause a multi-million dollar, man made disaster. Shame on anyone who considered this a non-issue and chooses to look the other way... leaving our communities to suffer the consequences.
August 14, 2014

The Honorable John Garvey, County Administrator
20 Ontario Street
Canandaigua, New York 14424

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear County Administrator Garvey:

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- Flint Creek should be studied by detailed method due to channelization and excavation project in Potter Swamp. [Note: occurred after the current FEMA flood maps were prepared.]
- Canandaigua Outlet, Canandaigua Lake, Honeoye Lake, Honeoye Outlet, Irondequoit Creek, Marsh Creek, Seneca Lake, Mud Creek, Sucker Brook, Fall Brook, Muar Lake, & Ganargua River. All done prior to the updated LiDAR elevation data provided by Ontario County in 2006. Major developments along Sucker Brook, Canandaigua Lake, Honeoye Lake, Seneca Lake, Muar Lake, Irondequoit Creek, Marsh Creek, Gunargua River, Fall Brook, etc. have occurred.
The County also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There are hydraulic studies for Fall Brook and CL-13 DEC Wetland by the County.
- The County has digital building footprint information since 2009.
- The County has backup information for critical/essential facilities.
- The County has digital bathymetry information for the 25 ft. depth contour of Honeoye Lake, and orthographically corrected stream centerline location GIS files.
- There are USGS gages at Honeoye Outlet and Honeoye Outlet Bridge. National Weather Service, rain gage data for Canandaigua City Water Plant and Canandaigua Airport D38.
- Castle Creek and Cemetery Creek are piped underground in the City of Geneva.
- There is commercial and residential development along the lake fronts in the County.

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Sincerely,

William M. Nechaman
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department Environmental Conservation

[Signature]

County Administrator
Ontario County

Dated: August 19th, 2014

With changes noted in red ink

Cc: Timothy Jensen, Ontario County Planning Department
    Sheri Norton, Ontario County Planning Department
    Jeff Harloff, Ontario County Emergency Management
    Tom Harvey, Ontario County Planning Department

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8

[Stamp: RECEIVED BUREAU OF
AUG 21 2014
FLOOD PROTECTION AND DAM SAFETY]
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Peter Blandino, Mayor
100 East Miller Street
Newark, NY 14513

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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Sincerely,

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William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

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Mayor
Village of Newark

Dated 8/19/14

Co:  Jon Verkey, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Newark

Ecc:  Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
       Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
       Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Ralph Marscocci, Mayor
11 North Lake Ave
PO Box 100
Bergen, NY 14416

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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1. Unnamed Tributary to Black Creek (known locally as Minny Creek) should have a new detailed study due to minor repeat flooding experienced on Gibson Street in the wetland area. An updated study would also help with grant applications for the Village.

The Village also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There is a portion of the stream piped underground for about 30 feet underneath the Lawn Medic Building on Gate Street.
- There is a new wastewater treatment plant that discharges into the tributary.
- There are wells around the factory off of Church Street that cause standing water to occur along Church Street when wells are not pumping.
- There is a culvert that was resized in 2013 on Townline Road.

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Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

CC: Ken Steinmetz, Department of Public Works Supervisor, Village of Bergen

ECC: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Brian Schenk, Mayor
PO Box 386
Naples, NY 14512

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Schenk:

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1. All detailed studies within the Village are outdated and should be restudied and there have been many alterations to Naples Creek, Tannery Creek, Eelpot Creek, and Grimes Creek since the current effective study was conducted.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplain@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]

Mayor
Village of Naples

Dated 8-19-2014

Cc: Frank Mueller, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Naples

Ecc: Paul Webdeg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable David Gardner, Mayor
PO Box 153
Mannsville, NY 13619

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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We regret having missed the opportunity to meet with your community at both the pre-Discovery webinars and the in person Discovery meetings to discuss FEMA’s RiskMAP program. The purpose of the meetings was to explain the new mapping process and products, and to review your priorities for areas to be studied for the new maps. Please understand that budget constraints will prevent us from fulfilling all of the requested studies at this time, but every request will be considered, and all unfulfilled requests will be officially cataloged as a stream study need for future remapping projects. These stream study requests will help direct and prioritize FEMA’s future mapping activities.

Absent different information, we are assuming the Village is satisfied with the current FIRMs and has no new flood study requests at this time.
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Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Mayor
Village of Mannsville

Dated 8/18/14

Cc: Tim McClusky, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Mannville

Cc: Paul Webger, FEMA Region II
    Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
    Carl Quance, DEC Region 6

[Stamp: RECEIVED BUREAU OF FLOOD PROTECTION AND DAM SAFETY AUG 22 2014]
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Thomas W. Gillen, Mayor
13 West Oneida Street
Oswego, NY 13126

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Gillen:

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1. Wine Creek should be restudied by detailed methods for its entire length within the City. There have been several hydraulic improvements such as new culverts that are not included in the current modeling.
2. Harbor Brook should be restudied by detailed methods from Mitchell Street to Hall Road.

The City also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the scope of the project:

- There are multiple piped or underground streams within the City. The City has hardcopy information on the pipe dimensions and locations.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpln@dep.dec.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
City of Oswego

Dated 8/20/14

Cc: Anthony Leotta, City Engineer, City of Oswego
    Robert Johnson, Engineering Technician, City of Oswego

Ecc: Paul Webeg, FEMA Region II
    Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
    Kevin Delaney, DEC Region 7
August 14, 2014

Mr. Steven-Reiter, Supervisor
1375 Ridge Road
PO Box 330
Lewiston, NY 14092

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Reiter:

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- Cayuga Creek should be a new detailed study from the Town corporate limit to the Route 31. There is flooding in this area due to undersized culverts under the railroad tracks. There is also an industrial park in this area.
- Gill Creek should be a new detailed study through the Indian Reservation because of flooding issues along the creek. There is flooding caused by Gill Creek along Mount Hope Road and Chew Road and the reservation will not allow any changes to be made to the creek.
- Tributary CC-t2 should be a detailed study from the south corporate limit to Bridgeman Road.
The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There have been many culvert improvements in the past 10-12 years, but not due to flooding issues.

If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. Please also provide a detailed prioritized list of the above restudy or new study requests with 1 ranking the highest in priority. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8183 or email us at floodpln@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Lewiston

Dated Aug. 19, 2014

Cc: Timothy Masters, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Lewiston
Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     James Vogel, DEC Region 9
     Thomas Wantuck, DEC Region 9
August 14, 2014

Mr. Michael Cianfrini, Supervisor
3219 Drake Street
Oakfield, NY 14125

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Cianfrini:

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1. Unnamed stream should be a new detailed study from Maltby Road to the town line due to increased development pressure and significant residential growth due to nanopark in the Town of Alabama.
2. Unnamed stream should be a new detailed study from north of Drake Street Road at confluence with priority stream number 1 to Batavia Oakfield Town Line Road due to growth and development in the Town and Village.
3. Unnamed stream should be a detailed study from north of Maltby Road to southwest of Hutton Road due to increased growth and development.
4. Unnamed stream should be a detailed study from just north of Maltby Road to the intersection of Fisher Road and Lewiston Road due to increased growth and development.
The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There have been culverts replaced along Lewiston Road, Main Street (in the Village), and North Pearl Street (in the Village).
- There have been many bridge replacements in the Town since the effective FIRM date of 1984.
- There are flooding issues in the Oak Orchard State Wildlife Management Area that are being resolved by the State.
- There is 1,160 acres currently being developed for the STAMP nanotech park.
- The mining area of the Town is closed and currently being flooded by the DEC mining program.

If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplainages.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Oakfield

Dated 8/18/2014

Cc: Alan Dennis, Highway Superintendent, Town of Oakfield
    Thomas Graham, Disaster Coordinator/Judge, Town of Oakfield

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. David Spickerman, Supervisor
4576 Butler Center Road
Wolcott, NY 14590

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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A Community RiskMAP worksheet was submitted noting that the current FEMA maps are inaccurate for the community. However, no details of which stream reaches are inaccurate or why were provided.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted priorities are incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@ew.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Butler

Dated 8/19/14

Cc: Don Camp, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Butler

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Ms. Patricia Connors, Supervisor
18 State Street
Brockport, NY 14420

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Ms. Connors:

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1. Brockport Creek should be an updated limited detail study due to the culvert under E Canal Road which is undersized and has caused flooding in the area that may be more extensive than what is shown on the current maps.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There is development of college suites in the northwestern part of Town.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplan@dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Sweden

Dated 8/18/14

Cc: Walter Windus, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Sweden

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Ms. Cheryl Horton, Supervisor
33019 US Highway 11
Philadelphia, NY 13673

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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- There are no requests for new or updated studies at this time.
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Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Cheryl Norton
Supervisor
Town of Philadelphia

Dated 7/11/14

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Ian M. Coyle, County Administrator
Livinston County Government Center
6 Court Street, Room 302
Geneseo, NY 14454

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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- Spring Creek and Buck Run should be studied by approximate methods through the Village of Mount Morris.
- Tributaries to the Genesee River should be studied by approximate methods through the town of York.
- The Genesee River should be restudied by detailed methods due to a salt mine collapse in 1994 in the Towns of Leicester and York. This has impacted the topography of the area and changed the floodplain of the river.
• Bradner Creek and Brewery Creek should be studied by detailed methods into the Town of North Dansville. The studies currently end at the Village Corporate Limits.
• Conesus Creek should be studied in detailed methods in the Town of Sparta through the Hamlet of Scottsburg.
• McMillan Creek and the unnamed tributary should be studied by approximate methods from Marshals Road to Route 15 in the Town of Conesus.
• Conesus Creek should be studied by approximate methods in the Town of Avon.
• The unnamed stream in the Town of Avon should be studied by approximate methods from north of Sutton Road to East Avon Road.
• The tributaries to Conesus Creek and the northern part of Conesus Lake should be studied by detailed methods in the Town of Livonia.

The County also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

• Heather Ferrero of Livingston County Planning Department has digital files of Conesus Lake Bathymetry.
• There is an Army Corps of Engineers report on the Canaseraga Creek Watershed.

If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpln@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

William Nechamen,
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department Environmental Conservation

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County Manager
Lewis County

Dated 08 2014

Cc: Heather Ferrero, Livingston County Planning Department
Robert Stryker, District Manager Livingston County Soil & Water Conservation District

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Brian Napoli, Supervisor
410 West Avenue
Medina, NY 14470

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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1. Oak Orchard Creek should be studied by detailed method because the Town would like base flood elevations.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There is industrial expansion off of Bates Road near the Village of Medina.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplain.gov.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Ridgeway

Dated 8/19/14

Cc: Daniel Wolfe, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Ridgeway

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Will Wadsworth, Supervisor
4630 Millennium Drive
Geneseo, NY 14454

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Dear Mr. Wadsworth:

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- An updated detailed study of Conesus Lake due to re-development occurring along the lake shore.
- Jaycox Creek should have a new detailed study from the Village corporate limits to Country Club Road due to flooding in the area.
The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There is a low lying area in the northeast corner of the Town that is for sale and could possibly be developed in the near future by Conesus Creek and Lima Road. An approximate study of Conesus Creek and the Unnamed Tributary may be helpful for any future development in this area.

If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]

Dated 8/13/14

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Genesee

Cc: Ronald Maxwell, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Genesee

Cc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
    Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
    Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Ms. Deborah Babbitt-Henry, Supervisor
8022 S. Main Street
Springwater, NY 14560

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Ms. Babbitt-Henry:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA's RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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1. Springwater Creek should have a new detailed study due to potential expansion of trailer park in the floodplain. The Town needs updated mapping with elevation for proper enforcement of development along the creek.
2. Limekiln Creek should be a new approximate study due to agricultural development in the area.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:
There is potential development of an Agribusiness or Server Center off Route 15 near the southern corporate limit of town.
- There was a bridge replacement on Pokey Moonshine Road in 2013.
- There is a private dam off of Schribner Road.
- There is a potential for Agribusiness development near School Street.
- There was a FEMA payment for a flood in 2000/2002 for a few homes along South Main Street.
- There is a new culvert along Kellogg Road
- The State repaired a culvert along Conesus Springwater Road.
- There is frequent flooding on Route 15 near Morris Road.

If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplainmgmt.doc.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechman
William Nechman, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Springwater

Dated 8/18/14

Cc: Allen Henry, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Springwater
Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region II
August 14, 2014

Mr. Ronald Taylor, Supervisor
8650 LeRay Street
Evans Mills, NY 13637

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Taylor:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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1. The Indian River should be restudied by detailed methods due to development in the area and the age of the current effective study.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplain@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamer
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Ronald C. Taylor
Supervisor
Town of LeRay

Dated 8-19-14

Cc: David Lachenauer, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of LeRay
Ecc: Paul Webert, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

Mr. Andrew Lehman, Supervisor
9882 State Route 126, Suite A
Castorland, NY 13620

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Lehman:

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The County representatives that attended the in person Discovery Meeting provided the following mapping needs and priorities for the Town of Croghan:

1. New detailed study of Beaver River from High Pond Falls to the confluence with Swiss Creek. Development along this corridor of the river.
2. Updated approximate study of Beaver River from eastern corporate limit through High Falls Pond. There are new camps along this section of the river.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@dec.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Croghan

Dated 8/18/14

Cc: Roger Burriss, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Croghan.
Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 15, 2014

Mr. William Hausenauer, Supervisor
12012 Woodhull Rd
PO Box 137
Forestport, NY 13338

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Hausenauer:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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Absent different information, we are assuming the Town is satisfied with the current FIRMs and has no new flood study requests at this time.
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Sincerely,

William S. Nechemia

William Nechemen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Forestport

Dated 8-19-14

Cc: Bradley Smith, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Forestport

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
    Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
    Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

Mr. Lawrence Longway, Supervisor
Municipal Office
25859 NY Route 37
Watertown, NY 13601

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Longway:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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1. The Black River should be studied as a limited detailed study from the downstream corporate limit to the upstream corporate limit. Boundary of the Town should be updated as it does not include the islands.
2. Phimnem Creek should be a detailed study from south of Route 12 and Lake Road intersection to Hinds Road. There has been a culver replacement across Route 12 and there new developments along Route 342 and Route 37.
3. Kelsey Creek should be an updated detailed study due to new commercial development near creek.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpln@ecw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Dated 8-18-14

Mayor
Town of Pamela

Cc:  Harry Potter, Planning Board Chair, Town of Pamela

Ecc:  Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
   Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
   Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

The Honorable William Nelson, Mayor
330 Ford Street
Ogdensburg, NY 13669

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Nelson:

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1. The St. Lawrence should be a new detailed study through the entire city limits. The floodplain along the river appears to be over stated and is impacting development along the river. There are also many flood control structures located along the river.
2. The Oswegatchie River should be an updated detailed study due to changes in hydraulic conditions.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 14, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplains@dec.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

William S. Necheman
William Nechaman, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Mayor
City of Ogdensburg

Dated 8/19/14

Cc: Andrea Smith, Director of Planning, City of Ogdensburg

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Richard Milne, Mayor
5 East Street
Honeoye Falls, NY 14472

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Milne:

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A Community RiskMAP Worksheet was submitted for the community which stated that the current FEMA FIRMs are accurate for the Village. There are no requests for restudies or new studies within the community at this time.
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Sincerely,

William S. Nechaman

William Nechaman, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]

Mayor
Village of Honeoye Falls

Dated 8/18/14

Cc: Charlie Johnson, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Honeoye Falls
Greg Emmerson, Village Administrator, Village of Honeoye Falls

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable James Eves, Mayor
100 Locke Street
Dexter, NY 13634

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Eves:

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Sincerely,

William Nechamen
William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
Village of Dexter

Dated 19 Aug 2014

Cc: James Millington, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Dexter
Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Bruce Widrick, Mayor
PO Box 391
Croghan, NY 13327

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Widrick:

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The County representatives that attended the in person Discovery Meeting provided the following mapping needs and priorities for the Village of Croghan.

1. New detailed study of Beaver River through the Village.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplain@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
Village of Croghan

Dated 8-18-14

Cc:   Elizabeth Jones, Floodplain Administrator, Village of Croghan

Ecc:  Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
       Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
       Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

John Smith

Mr. Robert Kelsch, Supervisor
1850 Ridge Road
Ontario, NY 14519

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Kelsch:

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1. Lake Ontario/Bear Creek Harbor should be an updated detailed study due to shoreline protection measures take around 2000.

The entire town should be updated due to our 20+ years of drainage mitigation effort!
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@dec.ny.gov.

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Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Ontario

Dated 8/18/14

Cc: Edward Collins, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Ontario

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Merton Wiepert, Supervisor
3263 Creek Road
Youngstown, NY 14174

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Wiepert:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

In August and September 2013, NYSDEC and FEMA conducted pre-Discovery webinars to discuss your community’s flood mapping needs, development pressures, and to request any data you may have that would be useful in the flood mapping process. Following the pre-Discovery meetings, we held formal Discovery meetings in November 2013. The Discovery meetings provided community officials an additional opportunity to review the information previously submitted by stakeholders during the webinars, discuss ongoing floodplain management activities, mitigation plans, projects, and flood risk concerns, as well as, provide additional feedback to FEMA and NYSDEC. All information provided will be considered when developing the RiskMAP project scope, including, but not limited to, the development of new digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs).

We would like to thank your community for participating in the Lake Ontario Discovery process. The information provided will be used, in part, to help determine the watershed’s remapping needs. Please understand that budget constraints will prevent us from fulfilling all of the requested studies at this time, but every request will be considered, and all unfulfilled requests will be officially cataloged as a stream study need for future remapping projects. These stream study requests will help direct and prioritize FEMA’s future mapping activities. Based on the comments provided by your community’s representatives on the Community RiskMAP Worksheet, the following is our understanding of the Town’s flood mapping priorities and concerns:

- The current FEMA maps are accurate for the Town and there are no requests for new or updated studies at this time.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider while developing the project scope:

- There is an area of higher erosion along Forth Niagara Beach.
- There is a new culvert on Lutts Road for unmapped stream.
- There is development and a high concentration of septic systems in Ransomville area.
- There is redevelopment along the Lake Ontario shoreline.
- There is an engineering study for unnamed tributary to Lake Ontario between Route 93 and Creek Lane.

If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplain@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Porter

Dated 8-15-14

Cc: Roy Rogers, Building Inspector, Town of Porter
Ecc: Paul Webber, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     James Vogel, DEC Region 9
     Thomas Wantruck, DEC Region 9
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Carl Luft, Mayor
7329 East Main Street
PO Box 20A
Lima, NY 14425

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Luft:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

In August and September 2013, NYSDEC and FEMA conducted pre-Discovery webinars to discuss your community’s flood mapping needs, development pressures, and to request any data you may have that would be useful in the flood mapping process. Following the pre-Discovery meetings were formal Discovery meetings in November 2013. The Discovery meetings provided community officials an additional opportunity to review the information previously submitted by stakeholders during the webinars, discuss ongoing floodplain management activities, mitigation plans, projects, and flood risk concerns, as well as, provide additional feedback to FEMA and NYSDEC. All information provided will be considered when developing the RiskMAP project scope, including, but not limited to, the development of new digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs).

We would like to thank your community for participating in the Lake Ontario Discovery process. The information provided will be used, in part, to help determine the watershed’s remapping needs. Please understand that budget constraints will prevent us from fulfilling all of the requested studies at this time, but every request will be considered, and all unfulfilled requests will be officially cataloged as a stream study need for future remapping projects. These stream study requests will help direct and prioritize FEMA’s future mapping activities. Based on the comments provided by your community’s representatives on the Community RiskMAP Worksheet and at the November 2013 meeting, the following is our understanding of the Village’s flood mapping priorities and concerns:

1. Spring Brook should be a new limited detail study for its length within the Village. The Village needs the correct extent of the floodplain and elevations for administration of new development.

The Town also provided the follow information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There are a few areas of ongoing development within the Village that are not reflected on the current maps.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpln@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
Village of Lima

Dated 9/18/14

Cc: Charlie Johnson, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Lima
Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Ronald Greenleaf, Supervisor
824 County Route 34, Drawer B
Hannibal, NY 13071

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Greenleaf:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

In August and September 2013, NYSDEC and FEMA conducted pre-Discovery webinars to discuss your community’s flood mapping needs, development pressures, and to request any data you may have that would be useful in the flood mapping process. Following the pre-Discovery meetings were formal Discovery meetings in November 2013. The Discovery meetings provided community officials an additional opportunity to review the information previously submitted by stakeholders during the webinars, discuss ongoing floodplain management activities, mitigation plans, projects, and flood risk concerns, as well as, provide additional feedback to FEMA and NYSDEC. All information provided will be considered when developing the RiskMAP project scope, including, but not limited to, the development of new digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs).

We would like to thank your community for participating in the Lake Ontario Discovery process. The information provided will be used, in part, to help determine the watershed’s remapping needs. Please understand that budget constraints will prevent us from fulfilling all of the requested studies at this time, but every request will be considered, and all unfulfilled requests will be officially cataloged as a stream study need for future remapping projects. These stream study requests will help direct and prioritize FEMA’s future mapping activities. Based on the comments provided by your community’s representatives at the November 2013 meeting, the following is our understanding of the Town’s flood mapping priorities and concerns:

- There are no requests for updated or new stream studies requested at this time as the current maps are accurate for the community.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpln@ew.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen
William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Hannibal

Dated 18 Aug 14

Cc: Morris Sorbello, Oswego County Legislature

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Kevin Delaney, DEC Region 7
August 14, 2014

Mr. Donald Cunningham, Supervisor
10 Hunter Street
Bergen, NY 14416

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Cunningham,

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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- The Town feels the current FEMA FIRMs are accurate and do not request any updated stream studies.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There have been culvert replacements along Sackett Road, Creamery Road, and Townline Road.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Dated 08/18/14

Supervisor
Town of Bergen

Cc:  David Mason, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Bergen

Cc:  Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Scott Schuler, Mayor
PO BOX 55
Elba, NY 14058

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Schuler:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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We would like to thank your community for participating in the Lake Ontario Discovery process. The information provided will be used, in part, to help determine the watershed’s remapping needs. Please understand that budget constraints will prevent us from fulfilling all of the requested studies at this time, but every request will be considered, and all unfulfilled requests will be officially cataloged as a stream study need for future remapping projects. These stream study requests will help direct and prioritize FEMA’s future mapping activities. Based on the comments provided by your community’s representatives on the Community RiskMAP Worksheet, the following is our understanding of the Village’s flood mapping priorities and concerns:

- The current FEMA FIRMs are accurate for the Village and there are no requests for new or updated studies at this time.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. Please also provide a numbered prioritized list of the above restudy requests with 1 ranking the highest in priority. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplain@gw.dec.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
Village of Elba

Dated 9/18/14

Cc: Phil Young, Department of Public Works, Village of Elba

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Raleigh Reynolds, Mayor
240 Lockport Street
PO Box 168
Youngstown, NY 14174

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Reynolds:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal, NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

In August and September 2013, NYSDEC and FEMA conducted pre-Discovery webinars to discuss your community’s flood mapping needs, development pressures, and to request any data you may have that would be useful in the flood mapping process. Following the pre-Discovery webinars were formal Discovery meetings held in November 2013. The Discovery meetings provided community officials an additional opportunity to review the information previously submitted by stakeholders during the webinars, discuss ongoing floodplain management activities, mitigation plans, projects, and flood risk concerns, as well as, provide additional feedback to FEMA and NYSDEC. All information provided will be considered when developing the RiskMAP project scope, including, but not limited to, the development of new digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs).

We regret having missed the opportunity to meet with your community at both the pre-Discovery webinars and the in-person Discovery meetings to discuss FEMA’s RiskMAP program. The purpose of the meetings was to explain the new mapping process and products, and to review your priorities for areas to be studied for the new maps. Please understand that budget constraints will prevent us from fulfilling all of the requested studies at this time, but every request will be considered, and all unfulfilled requests will be officially cataloged as a stream study need for future remapping projects. These stream study requests will help direct and prioritize FEMA’s future mapping activities.

Absent different information, we are assuming the Village is satisfied with the current FIRMs and has no new flood study requests at this time.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplan@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William N. Nechaman
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Ralph E. Reynolds
Mayor
Village of Youngstown

Dated 8/29/2014

Co: John Stevens, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Youngstown

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     James Vogel, DEC Region 9
     Thomas Wantuck, DEC Region 9

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August 14, 2014

Mr. James Hoffman, Supervisor
6380 State Route 21, Suite 2
Williamson, NY 14580

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Hoffman:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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We would like to thank your community for participating in the Lake Ontario Discovery process. The information provided will be used, in part, to help determine the watershed’s remapping needs. Please understand that budget constraints will prevent us from fulfilling all of the requested studies at this time, but every request will be considered, and all unfulfilled requests will be officially cataloged as a stream study need for future remapping projects. These stream study requests will help direct and prioritize FEMA’s future mapping activities. Based on the comments provided by your community’s representatives at the November 2013 meeting, the following is our understanding of the Town’s flood mapping priorities and concerns:

1. Lake Ontario should have an updated detailed study due to erosion along the shoreline.
2. There should be a new approximate study of the unnamed stream in the southeastern corner of the Town from Tripp Road slightly beyond Townline Road due to flooding in this area.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There is a revetment project along the shore at Forman Park being led by the County.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpln@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]

Dated 8/24/14

Supervisor
Town of Williamson

Cc: Kurt Allman, Highway Superintendent, Town of Williamson
    Christine Nagel, Secretary to the Assessor, Town of Williamson

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
    Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
    Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Andrew Meier, Mayor
119 Park Ave
Medina, NY 14103

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Meier:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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We would like to thank your community for participating in the Lake Ontario Discovery process. The information provided will be used, in part, to help determine the watershed’s remapping needs. Please understand that budget constraints will prevent us from fulfilling all of the requested studies at this time, but every request will be considered. and all unfulfilled requests will be officially cataloged as a stream study need for future remapping projects. These stream study requests will help direct and prioritize FEMA’s future mapping activities. Based on the comments provided by your community’s representatives on the Community RiskMAP Worksheet and at the November 2013 meeting, the following is our understanding of the Village’s flood mapping priorities and concerns:

1. Oak Orchard Creek should be studied by detailed methods for its length within the corporate limits because the Village needs base flood elevations. The current maps are unusable.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplain@dec.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

William Nechanski
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
Village of Medina

Dated 8.20.14

Cc: Peter Houseknecht, Highway Superintendent, Village of Medina
Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Katherine Perkins, Mayor
PO Box 308
Parish, NY 13131

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Perkins:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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- There are no requests for new or updated studies at this time.

The Village also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the scope of the project:

- There is a new culvert near the intersection of N Railroad Street and Church Street.
- There is a low lying area along the North Branch Little Salmon River near Main Street W that food during snow melts and rain storms.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpimgr@dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen
William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Katherine E. Perkins
Mayor
Village of Parish

Dated Aug 22, 2014

Cc: George Bennett, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Parish

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Kevin Delaney, DEC Region 7
August 14, 2014

Ms. Jolene Bender, Supervisor
3823 No. Main Street
Marion, NY 14505

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Ms. Bender:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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1. The Town needs updated studies for all of the streams due to age of current studies and difficulty of use due to the scale of the current maps.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplains@dec.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

William Nechman
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Monica Deo
Supervisor
Town of Marion

Dated 8/20/14

Cc: Gary Lau, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Marion

Cc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
    Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
    Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Robert Ottoy, Supervisor
6460 East Buffalo Road
Churchville, NY 14428

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Ottoy:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA's RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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- The current FEMA FIRMs are accurate for the community and there are no requests for new or updated studies at this time.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There is seasonal spring flooding along the Black Creek near Attridge Road.
- There was a bridge replaced on Attridge Road in the last 2-3 years.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. Please also provide a numbered prioritized list of the above restudy requests with 1 ranking the highest in priority. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplnm@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Riga

Dated 5/2/14

Cc: Bob Panik, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Riga

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Jerry Fremouw, Mayor
6 South Park Street
Clyde, NY 14433

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Fremouw:

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1. The Village needs updated studies for all of the streams due to age of current studies.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamie

William Nechamie, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Dated 8-19-2014

Mayor
Village of Clyde

Cc: Thomas Sawtelle, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Clyde

Ecc: Paul Webber, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Ms. Marilyn Patterson
Town Hall
5186 Greig Road
Greig, NY 13345

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Ms. Patterson:

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1. The Black River should be studied as a detailed study for the entire length within the town.
2. Updated approximate study of Fish Creek from confluence with Black River to approximately 31,900 feet upstream of Steam Mill Road.
3. Brattingham Lake should be a detailed study with a base flood elevation. The dam is in the current study and there are many LOMAs along the lake.
4. Copper Lake in the southeast of the Town should be a new detailed study. There are properties along the lake shore that are affected by flooding.
5. Updated approximate studies for all the tributaries to the Black River.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpln@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen
William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Dated 8-22-14

Supervisor
Town of Greig

Cc: David Meade, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Greig

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

Mr. Virgil Taylor, Supervisor
6971 Number Four Rd
Lowville, NY 13367

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Taylor:

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Absent different information, we are assuming the Town is satisfied with the current FIRMs and has no new flood study requests at this time.
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Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen
William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Watson

Dated 8/22/14

Cc: Paul Gyore, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Watson

Ecc: Paul Webber, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

Mr. Russel Sturtz, Supervisor
PO Box 141
New Haven, NY 13121

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Sturtz:

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- Now requests for new or updated studies at this time.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the scope of the project:

- The County rebuilt the bridge over Catfish Creek on County Route 35 in 2013.
- There is riprap and retaining walls along the Lake Ontario shoreline due to erosion.
- The bridge over Catfish Creek on County Route 1 is closed.
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Sincerely,

William Nechamen
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of New Haven

Dated 8/14/14

Cc: Mark Slosek, Planning Board Chairperson, Town of New Haven
Ron Wilson, Planning Board Member, Town of New Haven

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Kevin Delaney, DEC Region 7
August 14, 2014

Mr. John Belson, Supervisor
8 South Main Street
Lyndonville, NY 14098

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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1. The current maps are unusable due to age and scale. The Town needs updated digital maps with correct road names.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There was a bridge replaced on Blood Road over Johnson Creek.
- There is a new culvert from 2013 under Alps Road near the intersection with Greenman Road.
- There is a new box culvert along Johnson Creek under N Lyndonville Road.
- The Town requires a 75 foot setback from MHW for construction along Lake Ontario shoreline.
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Sincerely,

[Signature]

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Yates

Dated 8-22-2014

Cc: Daniel Wolfe, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Shelby

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Stephen McAvoy, Mayor
2 South Main Street
Lyndonville, NY 14098

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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1. Johnson Creek should be restudied by detailed methods from Route 63 up to the corporate limits downstream of the dam.

The Village also provided the following information for FEMA to consider while developing of the project scope:

- There are two small areas of the Town of Yates that have been annexed to the Village.
- The railroad bridge was removed two years ago.
- There is digital and hardcopy data of rain gage data at the water and sewer plant.
- There is a proposed dredging project of Johnson Pond by the USACE and NYSDEC.
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Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
Village of Lyndonville

Dated June 23, 2014

Cc: Terry Woodworth, Highway Superintendent, Village of Lyndonville

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8

[Stamp: RECEIVED BUREAU OF AUG 25, 14]
August 14, 2014

Mr. Vince Moore, Supervisor
PO Box 56
Lorraine, NY 13659

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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Sincerely,

[Signature]

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

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Supervisor
Town of Lorraine

Dated: 23 Aug 14

Cc: Penny Timberland, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Lorraine

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Carl Quance, DEC Region 6

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BUREAU OF
AUG 26 2014
FLOOD PROTECTION
AND DAM SAFETY
August 14, 2014

Mr. Dan Leuer, Supervisor
51 Sherman Ave
Wyoming, NY 14591

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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1. Town of Middlebury needs floodplain maps, since there are currently no FEMA FIRMs for the Town.
2. Oatka Creek needs a new detailed study for its length within the town. There are currently no maps for the Town of Middlebury.
3. Village Brook needs a new detailed study due to flooding experienced in 1989 that washed out Wass Road.
The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There is a high water mark at the Fire House from the 1989 flooding.
- The bridge over Little Tonawanda Creek on W Middlebury Road was washed out during the 1989 flood.

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Sincerely,

William Necham
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Middlebury

Dated 8/22/14

Cc: Robert Smart, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Middlebury
Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Jim Vogel, DEC Region 9
      Thomas Wantuck, DEC Region 9
August 14, 2014

Mr. John Moffitt, Supervisor
16 West Main Street
Honeoye Falls, NY 14472

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Moffitt:

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- The current FEMA FIRMs are accurate for the community and there are no requests for new or update studies within the Town.
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Sincerely,

William Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Mendon

Dated 8-21-14

Cc: Thomas Voorhees, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Mendon

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Ms. Gay Lenhard, Supervisor
269 Ogden Center Road
Spencerport, NY 14559

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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1. There should be a detailed study of the tributary to Salmon Creek between Washington Street and South of the Barge Canal. There is currently a flood study available for this area.
2. The Little Black Creek should have an updated detailed study due to area experiencing development near Route 33 and Buffalo Road. The floodplain extent may be over stated.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Ogden

Dated 9/21/14

Cc: Patrick Smith, Building Inspector, Town of Ogden
David Widger, Highway Superintendent, Town of Ogden

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Richard Hatheway, Mayor
119 Main Street
Geneseo, NY 14454

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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1. Jaycox Creek should be a re-delineated detailed study within the Village due to limited detail in the current base map. Having a digital product would be much more useful for planning and enforcement of development.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@ecdec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William E. Nechamen
William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Richard B. Hathaway
Mayor
Village of Geneseo

Dated 8/22/14

Cc: Dean O’Keefe, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Geneseo

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Paul Kimball, Supervisor
3710 Lake Road
PO Box 858
Clarkson, NY 14430

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Kimball:

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We regret having missed the opportunity to meet with your community at both the pre-Discovery webinars and the in-person Discovery meetings to discuss FEMA’s RiskMAP program. The purpose of the meetings was to explain the new mapping process and products, and to review your priorities for areas to be studied for the new maps. Please understand that budget constraints will prevent us from fulfilling all of the requested studies at this time, but every request will be considered, and all unfulfilled requests will be officially cataloged as a stream study need for future remapping projects. These stream study requests will help direct and prioritize FEMA’s future mapping activities.

Absent different information, we are assuming the Town is satisfied with the current FIRMs and has no new flood study requests at this time.
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Sincerely,

[Signature]

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]

Paul M. Kimball
Supervisor
Town of Clarkson

Dated 8/22/14

Cc: Chad Fabry, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Clarkson

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Fredrick May, Mayor
31 South Main Street
Fairport, NY 14450

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor May:

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- There should be a new study of the stream that is culverted under Winding Brook Drive, which is not shown on the current FIRM.
- There should be an updated study of Thomas Creek due the canal spillway that flows into Thomas Creek near Water Street. The canal floods when the water levels are high in the creek.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. Please also provide a prioritized list of the above requests and concerns (with 1 ranking the highest in priority). If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen
William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Frederick A. May
Mayor
Village of Fairport

Dated 8/20/2014

Cc: Paul Freeley, Department of Public Works, Village of Fairport

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Liz Swearingin, County Manager
Lewis County Court House
7660 N State Street
Lowville, NY 13367

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear County Manager Swearingin:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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1. Mill Creek should be restudied by detailed methods through the Village of Lowville. There should be no floodplain for the stream reach that is in a gorge.
2. The Black River detailed study should be extended from Route 410 in the Town of Denmark to the confluence with Swiss Creek.
3. Beaver Creek should be studied by detailed methods from the confluence with Black Creek to High Falls Pond due to development in the area.
4. The Sugar River should be studied by detailed methods through the Village of Constableville.
5. The Black River should be studied by detailed methods through the Village of Lyons Falls due to the population in the Village.

The County also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- Nichelle Billhardt of the Soil & Water Conservation District has a digital file of piped streams in the Town and Village of Lowville.
- Nichelle Billhardt can provide the LiDAR layer for the data that was collected in 2012.

If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen
William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
County Manager
Elizabeth Swearingin

Dated 8/22/14

Ce:
Jackie Mahoney, Lewis County Director of Recreation, Forestry & Parks
Nichelle Billhardt, District Manager Lewis County Soil & Water Conservation District
Stanley Samson, Lewis County Highway Department
James Martin, Lewis County Fire and Emergency Management
Frank Page, Lewis County Planning

Ecc:
Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

Mr. Pete Yendell, Supervisor
7329 East Main Street
Lima, NY 14485

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Yendell:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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- Honeoye Creek should be a new limited detail study for its entire length though the Town. There is a need for flood elevations and updated base map due to level of development within the Town.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There are flooding along the Honeoye Creek from ice jams.
- There was a bridge replaced along Route 5 & 20 over Honeoye Creek in 2010.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpln@ww.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Dated 8-22-14

Supervisor
Town of Lima

Cc: Charlie Johnson, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Lima

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
    Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
    Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. John Morriss, Supervisor
3840 Frencher Road
Holley, NY 14470

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Morriss:

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1. Sandy Creek should be an updated approximate study due to seasonal flooding along the creek.
2. East Branch Sandy Creek should be an updated approximate study due to seasonal flooding along the creek.
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Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Dated Aug 25, 2014

Supervisor
Town of Murray

Cc: Charles Felice, Planning Board Chairperson, Town of Murray

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. James Ossont, Supervisor
11468 State Route 26
PO Box 68
Ava, New York 13303

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Ossont:

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We received a Community RiskMAP Questionnaire dated December 28, 2013. No areas of flooding concerns or request for restudy were noted on the questionnaire. Absent different information, we are assuming the Town is satisfied with the current FIRMs and has no new flood study requests at this time.
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Sincerely,

William Nechamen
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Ava

Dated 8-25-14

Cc: Joseph Pfeiffer, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Ava
Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Richard Pastecki, Mayor
37 Main Street
Oakfield, NY 14125

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Pastecki:

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Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor JASON ARMBRUSTER
Village of Oakfield

Dated 8-27-14

Cc: Bruce Gerould, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Oakfield

Ecc: Paul Weborg, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Louis Gayton, Supervisor
10510 Bethany Center Road
East Bethany, NY 14054

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Gayton:

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A Community RiskMAP Worksheet was submitted for the Town and noted that the current FEMA FIRMs are not accurate for the Town, but no detailed information or requests for new stream studies was provided on the worksheet.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@ny.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Dated 8/25/14

Edward Pietrzykowski
Supervisor
Town of Bethany

Cc: Thomas Douglas, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Bethany

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8

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AND DAM SAFETY
August 14, 2014

Ms. Susan Stout, Supervisor
3429 Route 20A
Warsaw, NY 14569

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Stout:

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Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Orangeville

Dated 8/26/14.

Cc: Thomas Suto, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Orangeville

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
    Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
    James Vogel, DEC Region 9
    Thomas Wantuck, DEC Region 9

RECEIVED
BUREAU OF
FLOOD PROTECTION AND DAM SAFETY
August 14, 2014

Mr. Merle Draper, Supervisor
PO Box 348
Medina, NY 14470

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Draper:

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1. Oak Orchard Creek should be studied by detailed method because the Town would like base flood elevations. The current maps are unusable.

2. Fish Creek should be studied by detailed methods because the Town needs base flood elevations. The current maps are unusable.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

• There is privately owned dam on Oak Orchard River to the east of Shelby Center near Martin Road.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplain@dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Superintendent
Town of Shelby

Dated 8/26/14

Co: Daniel Wolfe, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Shelby

Eec: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8

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Mr. Scott Aubertine, Supervisor
PO Box 66
Chaumont, NY 13659

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Aubertine:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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1. Lake Ontario should have a new detailed study with a Base Flood Elevation including Guffins Bay and Chaumont Bay. There is a lot of development along the shore line and there are a number of areas that flood along the shore.
2. The Chaumont River should have an updated detailed study from the confluence with Chaumont Bay to the upstream corporate limit of the Town. There will likely be development in this area of the Town.
3. Three Mile Creek should be an updated approximate study due to ice jams that cause the creek to flood.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Necheman

William Necheman, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Cc: James Millington, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Lyme

Ecc: Paul Webre, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Catherine Liedecker, Mayor
PO Box 368
Lyons Falls, NY 13368

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Liedecker:

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Absent different information, we are assuming the Village is satisfied with the current FIRMs and has no new flood study requests at this time.
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Sincerely,

William S. Nechemia
William Nechemia, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Catherine Hendeck
Mayor
Village of Lyons Falls

Dated 8/26/2014

Cc: Tim Wiedrick, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Lyons Falls

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 15, 2014

The Honorable Jay Gsell, County Manager  
Old Courthouse  
7 Main Street  
Batavia, NY 14020

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear County Manager Gsell:

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1. Black Creek should be mapped by approximate methods from the Thruway in Stafford to the Bethany town line. This section of the Black Creek is currently not mapped.
2. The tributaries to Black Creek need to be studied by approximate methods in the Town of Byron. The current studies end at the Town of Elba town line.
3. White Creek needs to be studied by approximate methods in the Town of Stafford along the East Bethany LeRoy Road.
4. Whitney Creek needs to be studied by detailed methods from Route 77 to the Tonawanda Wildlife Management Area in the Town of Alabama due to new industrial chip plant development.
5. The Oatka Creek should be updated to a detailed study within the Village of LeRoy.
6. Mud Creek Tributary should be studied by limited detailed methods from the Village of LeRoy corporate limit to Perry Road in the Town of LeRoy due to proposed development in this area.

The County also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There is existing NRCS LiDAR for the northern 2/3 of the County that covers the watershed except for Bethany and Pavilion.
- The topography is principally Karst along the Onondaga escarpment.

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Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
County Manager
Genesee County

Dated 8/25/14

Cc: George Squires, Genesee County Soil & Water Conservation District Director
Felipe Oltiramari, Genesee County Planning Board Chair

Ecc: Paul Weborg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Jeffrey Graham, Mayor
245 Washington St. Room 302A
Watertown, NY 13601

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Graham:

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1. The Black River should be restudied as a detailed study through the City. There have been many changes to the hydraulics of the river including dam removals and a bridge replacement.

The City also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- The City boundary has been revised. Contact the City GIS contact for shape file.
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Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen
William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
City of Watertown

Dated 8/26/14

Cc:  Kurt W. Hauk, P.E., Engineering Department, City of Watertown
Justin Wood, P.E., Engineering Department, City of Watertown
Matt Owen, IT Department, City of Watertown

Ecc:  Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

Mr. Alfred Nichols, Supervisor
51 State Street
Heuvelton, NY 13654

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Nichols:

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1. Black Lake should be studied by detailed methods due to the amount of development in the area a base flood elevation is needed.
2. The St. Lawrence River should be studied by detailed methods due to development along the river there is a need for a base flood elevation.
3. The Oswegatchie River should be studied by detailed methods due to large areas of development along the river.
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Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Oswegatchie

Dated 8/25/2014

Cc: Timothy Tuttle, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Oswegatchie

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Janet Zando, Mayor
68 Riverside Drive
Defoeet, NY 13628

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Sincerely,

[Signature]

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

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Mayor
Village of Deferiet

Dated August 28, 2014

Cc: Doug Babcock, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Deferiet

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

Mr. Jason Molino, City Manager  
One Batavia City Centre  
Batavia, NY 14020

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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- The Tonawanda Creek should be an updated detailed study due to flooding that occurs at the intersection of Walnut and Law and south of Railroad to the corporate limits and Lehigh Street.

The City also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There is a USGS flood gage located on Tonawanda Creek in the City.
- There have been several major floods on the south side of the City.
- There were improvements made to the creek in 1954 by the Army Corps of Engineers.
- The City has digital information about the piped stream known locally as the “Big Ditch.”
- The City has digital files of historical flood inundation areas and critical facilities.
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New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

City Manager
City of Batavia

Dated 8/25/14

Cc: Steven Mountain, Engineer, Town of Batavia
Sally Kuson, Director of Public Works, City of Batavia

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Richard Westcott, Mayor
24 Main Street
PO Box 186
Middleport, NY 14105

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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- The current FEMA maps are accurate for the Village and there are no requests for new or updated studies at this time.

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- There is an area of frequent flooding along Francis Street from Johnson Creek 2 Tributary 1 due to storm water issues.
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Sincerely,

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Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Richard L. Westcott
Mayor
Village of Middleport

Dated 8-18-14

Cc: Rebecca Schweigert, Village Clerk, Village of Middleport
    Brian Belson, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Middleport

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     James Vogel, DEC Region 9
     Thomas Wantuck, DEC Region 9
August 14, 2014

Mr. Robert Clement, Supervisor
8903 Route 237
Stafford, NY 14143

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Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Stafford

Dated: 8/25/14

Cc: Leister Mullen, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Stafford

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Ralph Angelo, Supervisor
8690 Main Street
PO Box 145
Honeoye, NY 14471

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2. All A zones should be new detailed studies.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:
• The bridge on Main Street over Honeoye Creek was replaced approximately 3 years ago. Since bridge was replaced only ice jam flooding has occurred.
• There is typically flooding around Honeoye Lake when there is 1.5” or more of rain and significant deposition of sediments.
• There are over 30 culverts scheduled to be replace along Honeoye Lake along with a watermain installation.
• There is an area of flooding along Allens Hill Road.
• There is a sediment and hydrology survey for Sandy Bottom Pond conducted with USACE.
• There is a ditch that was filled in and the stream was piped near Main Street about 15 years ago.
• There is a new development along E Lake Road that was built 5-6 years ago.

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Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Ralph Angelo
Supervisor
Town of Richmond

Dated Aug 18, 14

Cc: Thomas Fleig, Highway Superintendent, Town of Richmond

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Tony Bush, Supervisor
1134 U.S. Route 11
Central Square, NY 13036

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1. The Oneida River should be restudied by detailed methods due to floodway being over stated and current study not accounting for flow regulated by the dam.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the scope of the project:

- There is development near Dry Bridge Creek and Elderberry Creek.
- There was a large culvert replacement on County Route 12 along Caughdenoy Creek in the last 5 or 6 years.
- There is a small privately owned dam on Dykemans Creek near Baum Road.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplmg@dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechaman
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Hastings

[Signature]
Dated 8/26/14

Cc: Mark Bombardo, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Hastings

Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Kevin Delaney, DEC Region 7
August 14, 2014

Mr. Urban Hirschey, Supervisory
1964 NY Route 12E
Cape Vincent, NY 13618

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Hirschey:

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1. The Shore of Lake Ontario should be restudied as an approximate study since this is an area of lower elevation.
2. Kents Creek/Mud Bay should be an updated approximate study due to development in the area.
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Sincerely,

William S. Nechaman

William Nechaman, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Cape Vincent

Dated 25 August 2014

Cc: Jim Millington, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Cape Vincent

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

Mr. Edward Hayes, Supervisor
5727 West Main Street
Constableville, NY 13325

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Hayes:

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Absent different information, we are assuming the Town is satisfied with the current FIRMs and has no new flood study requests at this time.
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Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of West Turin

Dated 8-8-14

Cc: Timothy Wiedrick, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of West Turin

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

Mr. Terrence Thisse, Supervisor
PO Box 8
Martinsburg, NY, 13404

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Thisse:

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1. Roaring Brook should be studied as a detailed study upstream of Route 12 and a limited detail study downstream of Route 12. The current maps are inaccurate and depict homes that are at a much higher elevation in the floodplain. There is also significant erosion near where the brook crosses Route 29.
2. The Black River should be a new detailed study for its length through the Town. There have been floods with over 10 feet of water along Black River.
3. Rainbow Creek should be an updated approximate study from the confluence with the Black River to approximately 2,225 feet upstream. East Martinsburg Road floods several times a year and the road is gated off during the flood.
The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There is a partial dam/remnants on Roaring Brook near Cemetery Road.
- There is an unmapped stream that is piped under Gardener Road at the border between Lowville and Martinsburg.
- There is a Blueway Trail Project to remove pilings and other obstacles from the Black River to make it navigable. Contact Jennifer Harvill at the Tug Hill Commission for more details.

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Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Martinsburg

Dated 8/20/14

Cc: Mary Kelley, Town Clerk, Town of Martinsburgh
    Tyler Jones, Highway Superintendent, Town of Martinsburg

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

Mr. L. Daniel Carpenter, Supervisor
9458 Soule Road
Remsen, NY 13438

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Carpenter:

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Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Signature
Harry J.F. Landman
Town of Steuben, Supervisor
9458 Soule Road
Rensselaer, NY 12148

Dated 8-27-14

Cc: Alan Jones, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Steuben

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Albert Ash, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Christian Tertinek, Mayor
8356 Bay Street
Sodus Point, NY 14555

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Tertinek:

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- Lake Ontario should have an updated detailed study due to shoreline changes from erosion of rates up to 1ft/year in various location along the shore line.
- First Creek should have a new detailed study for its length within the community. The area at the mouth of the creek is the first to flood and the Village may have bathymetry data for this area.

The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There was a dredging project completed by the US Coast Guard about 2 years ago between Charles Point and Sodus Point.
- There is erosion occurring along both sides of Sodus Point where mesh/netting is now exposed.
- There will be bathymetry data collected along shore of the bay between the area of South Fitzhugh Street and South Ontario Street.

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Sincerely,

William S. Nechaman

William Nechaman, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
Village of Sodus Point

Dated 8/28/14

Cc: Al Hendrikse, Code Enforcement Officer, Village of Sodus Point
Maxine Appleby, Planning Board Member, Village of Sodus Point

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Paul Gee, Mayor
22 Main Street
PO Box 36
Scottsville, NY 14546

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Gee:

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1. The Mill Race should have an updated detailed study due to volume decrease in race that is no longer in use.

The Village also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There may be a study or report for the Black Creek Watershed. Contact Mayor Paul Gee for more information.
- There is seasonal flooding along the Oatka Creek.
- There have been bridge or culvert replacements at the following locations in the Village:
  Scottsville W Henrietta Road, Rochester Street, Main Street, Scott Crescent Drive

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Sincerely,

[Signature]

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]

Mayor
Village of Scottsville

Dated 8/29/14

Cc: Terry Rech, Building Inspector, Village of Scottsville

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 27, 2014

William Nechamen, Chief
NYSDEC – Floodplain Management Section
Bureau of Flood Protection, 4th Floor
625 Broadway
Albany, New York 12233-3504

RE: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA Risk MAP Program

Dear Mr. Nechamen:

Please find enclosed a signed acknowledgement from the Town of Batavia Supervisor regarding information the Town provided for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Teresa M. Morasco
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

cc: Steven Mountain, Town Engineer
August 14, 2014

Mr. Gregory Post, Supervisor
3833 West Main Street Road
Batavia, NY 14020

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

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1. Tonawanda Creek Reach 2 should be a new limited detail study from the corporate limit with Alexander to the corporate limit with the City of Batavia due to new development in this area. The current floodplain extent is too wide and does not take into account the effects of wetland storage.
2. Tonawanda Creek Reach 1 should be an updated detailed study from the western corporate limit of the Town to the western corporate limit of the City due to ice jam related flooding that is not reflected in the effective riverine analysis.
3. Spring Creek should be a new limited detail study due to development in the area.
4. All approximate studies should be updated to new approximate studies due to outdated method and does not reflect an engineering based analysis.
The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There is USGS LiDAR data for the Town from 2010.
- A structure has been removed along Spring Creek near the City/Town corporate limit. This might lower elevations between stations 52.000 and 52.200 on the stream profile.

If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@dec.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen
Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Dated 8/27/14

CC: Steven Mountain, Engineer, Town of Batavia
    Teresssa Morasco, Town Clerk, Town of Batavia

ECC: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Ms. Mary Joyce D'Aurizio, Supervisor
1280 Titus Ave
Rochester, NY 14617

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Ms. D'Aurizio:

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- There should be an updated detailed study of Lake Ontario due to change in the shoreline from erosion along Windsor Beach.
- There should be an updated detailed study of Irondequoit Bay. There is a 1.5-2 ft Base Flood Elevation difference from one side of the bay to the other. There is also a need for sand bagging near the Route 104 Bridge during higher lake levels to prevent flooding.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. Please also provide a prioritized list of the above requests and concerns (with 1 ranking the highest in priority). If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplanning@dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]
Supervisor
Town of Irondequoit

Dated 8/26/2014

Cc: Patrick Meredith, Highway Superintendent, Town of Irondequoit
    Lawrence Heininger, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Irondequoit

Ecc: Paul Weborg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Dale Hunneyman, Supervisor
PO Box 130
Alexandria Bay, NY 13607

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Hunneyman:

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1. Otter Creek should be a new approximate study due to flooding near State Route 12.
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3. Butterfly Lake should be an updated approximate study due to flooding along the lake.
4. Mud Lake should be an updated approximate study due to flooding along the lake.
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Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

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Dated 9/21/2014

Supervisor
Town of Alexandria

Cc: Christy Page, Fourth Coast, Town of Alexandria
Ecc: Paul Weber, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
Town of Henrietta
475 Calkins Road
Henrietta, New York 14467
Phone: (585) 359-7070
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We are sending you the following items:

- ☐ Shop Drawings  ☐ Prints  ☐ Plans  ☐ Comments  ☐ Specifications
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Remarks:

Dear Mr. Nechamen:

Per your request, attached is the signed copy of the above referenced letter for your use. If you have any questions regarding the attached letter, please contact me at (585) 359-7070.

Copies to:

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Signed

Christoph E. Martin
August 14, 2014

Mr. Jack W. Moore, Supervisor
475 Calkins Road
Henrietta, NY 1464

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Moore:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

In August and September 2013, NYSDEC and FEMA conducted pre-Discovery webinars to discuss your community’s flood mapping needs, development pressures, and to request any data you may have that would be useful in the flood mapping process. Following the pre-Discovery meetings were formal Discovery meetings in November 2013. The Discovery meetings provided community officials an additional opportunity to review the information previously submitted by stakeholders during the webinars, discuss ongoing floodplain management activities, mitigation plans, projects, and flood risk concerns, as well as, provide additional feedback to FEMA and NYSDEC. All information provided will be considered when developing the RiskMAP project scope, including, but not limited to, the development of new digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs).

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1. East Stem Middle Branch Red Creek should be an updated detailed study due to LOMAs filed for residential development.
2. Genesee River should have an updated detailed study due to many elevation certificates for an old subdivision. There is also a very wide floodway that may be over stated.
3. There should be an updated study of the West Branch Allen Creek due to culvert replacements along Jefferson Road.
The Town also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There is flooding along Pinnacle Road, which may be due to the need for ditch maintenance.
- There is a LOMA in the works for the area between East Branch Red Creek and East Stem Middle Branch Red Creek confluence.
- There is a Red Creek Watershed study for the area north of Bailey Road between Miller Road and John Street.
- The low flat area near Commercial Drive floods every 4-5 years. Flooding may be related to needed maintenance.
- There is ongoing commercial development along the East Branch Red Creek off of Hylan Drive.
- There has been a culvert replacement along Castle Road.

If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. Please also provide a numbered prioritized list of the above restudy requests with 1 ranking the highest in priority. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplain@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]

Supervisor
Town of Henrietta

Dated 8-29-14

Cc: Chris Martin, Director of Engineering and Planning, Town of Henrietta
   Roland Osterwinter, Engineer, Town of Henrietta
   Jeremy Difilippo, GIS Operator, Town of Henrietta

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

The Honorable Joyce Lobene, Mayor
27 West Avenue
Spencerport, NY 14559

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mayor Lobene:

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1. The current FEMA FIRMs are accurate for the Village and suit the Village’s current needs. There are no new or updated study requests at this time.

The Village also provided the following information for FEMA to consider when developing the project scope:

- There is a report or study for the Village conducted by MRB Engineering Group.
- There is flooding along Main Street from the East and West Branches of Northrup Creek due to undersized culverts.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@ew.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Mayor
Village of Spencerport

Dated 9/14/1

Cc:  Tom West, Highway Superintendent, Village of Spencerport

Ecc:  Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
       Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
       Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. David Dunning, Supervisor
3333 Chili Ave
Rochester, NY 14624

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Dunning:

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1. Town of Chili feels the current FEMA floodplain maps are accurate for the Town and have no requests for new or updated studies at this time.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpln@dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Chili

Dated 9/17/2014

Cc: David Lindsay, Highway Superintendent, Town of Chili

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crysta, Smith, FEMA Region II
Karis Manning, DEC Region 8
August 14, 2014

Mr. Justin Taylor, Supervisor
405 Riverside Drive
Clayton, NY 13624

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Taylor:

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- Chaumont River should be a new detailed study thought the Town of Clayton. The Route 12 Bridge in Depauville is flooded by the river frequently. The main cause of the flooding is ice jams that occur in early spring.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodplm@gw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

[Signature]

Supervisor
Town of Clayton

Dated 9/17/14

Cc: Christy Page, Town of Clayton/Fourth Coast

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
      Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
      Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
William Nechamen, Chief  
Floodplain Management Section  
NYS Department of Environmental Conservation  
625 Broadway  
Albany, NY 12233-3504  

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process  

Dear Mr. Nechamen:  

Thank you for participating in a conference call with Jefferson County Planning and Emergency Management staff members on August 27th regarding the above-referenced project. As you know, the purpose of the call was to clarify the points summarized in your letter of August 14, 2014 where you outlined flood mapping priorities based on your previous discovery and information gathering activities. The following comments reflect edits or updates that are necessary for the list in the original letter.  

As discussed during the call, it was noted that the Community Risk MAP worksheet was previously provided to your consultant for the project. That information has now been sent directly to DEC staff.  

As noted by the County's Emergency Management Director, the reference to "repeated flooding" should be edited to reflect occasional flooding along the Black River in the Town of Wilna, Village of Carthage, Village of West Carthage, Town of LeRay, and Village of Dexter. Occasional Black River flooding is also noted along Water Street and Huntington Street in the City of Watertown. During the call, flooding events were also discussed near NYS Route 3 and the County line in the Town of Ellisburg. Lastly, it was noted that Indian River flooding occasionally occurs in the Village of Antwerp.  

The reference to the County digitizing the 2011 shoreline along Lake Ontario should be deleted.  

The last two references in your original letter single out the existence and growth of shoreline and waterfront development in only four communities. Shoreline development is evident in every municipality along Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River (Town of Alexandria, Village of Alexandria Bay, Town of Orleans, Town and Village of Clayton, Town and Village of Cape Vincent, Town of Lyme, Village of Chaumont, Town of Brownville, Town of Hounsfield, Village of Sackets Harbor, Town of Henderson, and Town of Ellisburg).  

Lastly, it was noted during the call that a group of municipalities in the central portion of the County are currently forming a coalition to comply with new MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems) regulations as a result of the County's population increase reflected by the 2010 Census.
I hope this information serves as a useful supplement to your August 11\textsuperscript{th} letter. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Robert Hagemann
County Administrator

c: Joseph Plummer, Emergency Management
   Donald Canfield, Planning
Sept. 24, 2014

Mr. William Nechamen  
Chief, Floodplain Management Section
NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation
Division of Water
Bureau of Flood Protection and Dam Safety, 4th Floor
625 Broadway
Albany, NY 12233-3504

Dear Mr. Nechamen,

Enclosed please find our acknowledgement of the flood mapping priorities and concerns of the Town of Henderson. We apologize for its lateness. As an explanation, not an excuse, for that is our Town underwent significant changes in the Town’s government. On January 1st of this year the Town of Henderson had a brand new Supervisor, Town Clerk, Board member, Financial Officer and financial software programs. We are finally catching up.

Please consider the issues listed in the enclosed document as still the priorities of the Town of Henderson.

Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Sincerely

John Culkin
Supervisor
August 14, 2014

Mr. Raymond Walker, Supervisor
P.O. Box 259
Henderson, NY 13650

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Walker:

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1. Lake Ontario should be a detailed study with a Base Flood Elevation. Some areas of the shoreline have lower elevations and are highly developed.
2. Rays Bay Road Creek should be a new detailed study from the confluence with Rays Bay to approximately 1 mile upstream. This is an area of repeat flooding
3. Stony Creek should be an updated detailed study from the confluence with Lake Ontario to Henderson Pond. There has been a bridge replacement on State Route 178.
4. In general the maps for the Town are difficult to use for making determinations due to age and scale. Updated digital maps are needed.
If this understanding is correct, then please sign below and return a copy of this letter to my attention by September 2, 2014. If the above noted list of priorities is incorrect, or if you or representatives from your community have questions or comments regarding the Discovery project process, please contact NYSDEC floodplain management staff at 518-402-8185 or email us at floodpln@yw.dec.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

William S. Nechamem
William Nechamem, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Supervisor
Town of Henderson

Dated 9/24/14

Cc: Eric Sheldon, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Henderson

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
Carl Quance, DEC Region 6
August 14, 2014

Mr. Joel Bartlett, Supervisor
22867 County Route 67
Watertown, NY 13601

Re: Lake Ontario Watershed Discovery Process/FEMA RiskMAP Program

Dear Mr. Bartlett:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) are cooperating on a new Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (RiskMAP) project for the Lake Ontario Watershed. FEMA’s RiskMAP program is designed to deliver quality data that increases awareness of flood risks and leads to mitigation activities which reduce the potential loss of life and property. To achieve this goal NYSDEC and FEMA met with communities and watershed groups within the Lake Ontario watershed to determine if additional floodplain and flood risk mapping products are needed.

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We regret having missed the opportunity to meet with your community at both the pre-Discovery webinars and the in person Discovery meetings to discuss FEMA’s RiskMAP program. The purpose of the meetings was to explain the new mapping process and products, and to review your priorities for areas to be studied for the new maps. Please understand that budget constraints will prevent us from fulfilling all of the requested studies at this time, but every request will be considered, and all unfulfilled requests will be officially cataloged as a stream study need for future remapping projects. These stream study requests will help direct and prioritize FEMA’s future mapping activities.

Absent different information, we are assuming the Town is satisfied with the current FIRMs and has no new flood study requests at this time.
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Sincerely,

William S. Nechamen

William Nechamen, Chief
Floodplain Management Section
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

Dated 9/2/14

Supervisor
Town of Watertown

Cc: Jon Grant, Floodplain Administrator, Town of Watertown

Ecc: Paul Weberg, FEMA Region II
     Crystal Smith, FEMA Region II
     Carl Quance, DEC Region 6