

Full Environmental Assessment Form
Part 2 - Identification of Potential Project Impacts

Agency Use Only [If applicable]

Project:

Date:

Part 2 is to be completed by the lead agency. Part 2 is designed to help the lead agency inventory all potential resources that could be affected by a proposed project or action. We recognize that the lead agency's reviewer(s) will not necessarily be environmental professionals. So, the questions are designed to walk a reviewer through the assessment process by providing a series of questions that can be answered using the information found in Part 1. To further assist the lead agency in completing Part 2, the form identifies the most relevant questions in Part 1 that will provide the information needed to answer the Part 2 question. When Part 2 is completed, the lead agency will have identified the relevant environmental areas that may be impacted by the proposed activity.

If the lead agency is a state agency **and** the action is in any Coastal Area, complete the Coastal Assessment Form before proceeding with this assessment.

Tips for completing Part 2:

- Review all of the information provided in Part 1.
- Review any application, maps, supporting materials and the Full EAF Workbook.
- Answer each of the 18 questions in Part 2.
- If you answer "Yes" to a numbered question, please complete all the questions that follow in that section.
- If you answer "No" to a numbered question, move on to the next numbered question.
- Check appropriate column to indicate the anticipated size of the impact.
- Proposed projects that would exceed a numeric threshold contained in a question should result in the reviewing agency checking the box "Moderate to large impact may occur."
- The reviewer is not expected to be an expert in environmental analysis.
- If you are not sure or undecided about the size of an impact, it may help to review the sub-questions for the general question and consult the workbook.
- When answering a question consider all components of the proposed activity, that is, the whole action.
- Consider the possibility for long-term and cumulative impacts as well as direct impacts.
- Answer the question in a reasonable manner considering the scale and context of the project.

NI = No Impact
SI = Small Impact

1. Impact on Land

Proposed action may involve construction on, or physical alteration of, the land surface of the proposed site. (See Part 1, D.1)

☐ NO

☒ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - j. If "No", move on to Section 2.

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may involve construction on land where depth to water table is less than 3 feet.	E2d	☐	☒
b. The proposed action may involve construction on slopes of 15% or greater.	E2f	☒ NI	☐
c. The proposed action may involve construction on land where bedrock is exposed, or generally within 5 feet of existing ground surface.	E2a	☐	☒
d. The proposed action may involve the excavation and removal of more than 1,000 tons of natural material.	D2a	☒ NI	☐
e. The proposed action may involve construction that continues for more than one year or in multiple phases.	D1e	☐	☒
f. The proposed action may result in increased erosion, whether from physical disturbance or vegetation removal (including from treatment by herbicides).	D2e, D2q	☒ SI	☐
g. The proposed action is, or may be, located within a Coastal Erosion hazard area.	B1i	☒ NI	☐
h. Other impacts:		☐	☐

2. Impact on Geological Features

The proposed action may result in the modification or destruction of, or inhibit access to, any unique or unusual land forms on the site (e.g., cliffs, dunes, minerals, fossils, caves). (See Part 1. E.2.g)

☒ NO

☐ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - c. If "No", move on to Section 3.

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. Identify the specific land form(s) attached:	E2g	☐	☐
b. The proposed action may affect or is adjacent to a geological feature listed as a registered National Natural Landmark. Specific feature:	E3c	☐	☐
c. Other impacts:		☐	☐

3. Impacts on Surface Water

The proposed action may affect one or more wetlands or other surface water bodies (e.g., streams, rivers, ponds or lakes). (See Part 1. D.2, E.2.h)

☐ NO

☒ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - l. If "No", move on to Section 4.

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may create a new water body.	D2b, D1h	☒ NI	☐
b. The proposed action may result in an increase or decrease of over 10% or more than a 10 acre increase or decrease in the surface area of any body of water.	D2b	☒ NI	☐
c. The proposed action may involve dredging more than 100 cubic yards of material from a wetland or water body.	D2a	☒ NI	☐
d. The proposed action may involve construction within or adjoining a freshwater or tidal wetland, or in the bed or banks of any other water body.	E2h	☒ SI	☐
e. The proposed action may create turbidity in a waterbody, either from upland erosion, runoff or by disturbing bottom sediments.	D2a, D2h	☒ SI	☐
f. The proposed action may include construction of one or more intake(s) for withdrawal of water from surface water.	D2c	☒ NI	☐
g. The proposed action may include construction of one or more outfall(s) for discharge of wastewater to surface water(s).	D2d	☒ NI	☐
h. The proposed action may cause soil erosion, or otherwise create a source of stormwater discharge that may lead to siltation or other degradation of receiving water bodies.	D2e	☒ SI	☐
i. The proposed action may affect the water quality of any water bodies within or downstream of the site of the proposed action.	E2h	☒ SI	☐
j. The proposed action may involve the application of pesticides or herbicides in or around any water body.	D2q, E2h	☒ NI	☐
k. The proposed action may require the construction of new, or expansion of existing, wastewater treatment facilities.	D1a, D2d	☒ NI	☐

I. Other impacts:		☐	☐
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4. Impact on groundwater The proposed action may result in new or additional use of ground water, or may have the potential to introduce contaminants to ground water or an aquifer. (Sec Part 1. D.2.a, D.2.c, D.2.d, D.2.p, D.2.q, D.2.t) <i>If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", move on to Section 5.</i>			
		☒ NO	☐ YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may require new water supply wells, or create additional demand on supplies from existing water supply wells.	D2c	☐	☐
b. Water supply demand from the proposed action may exceed safe and sustainable withdrawal capacity rate of the local supply or aquifer. Cite Source:	D2c	☐	☐
c. The proposed action may allow or result in residential uses in areas without water and sewer services.	D1a, D2c	☐	☐
d. The proposed action may include or require wastewater discharged to groundwater.	D2d, E2l	☐	☐
e. The proposed action may result in the construction of water supply wells in locations where groundwater is, or is suspected to be, contaminated.	D2c, E1f, E1g, E1h	☐	☐
f. The proposed action may require the bulk storage of petroleum or chemical products over ground water or an aquifer.	D2p, E2l	☐	☐
g. The proposed action may involve the commercial application of pesticides within 100 feet of potable drinking water or irrigation sources.	E2h, D2q, E2l, D2c	☐	☐
h. Other impacts:		☐	☐

5. Impact on Flooding The proposed action may result in development on lands subject to flooding. (See Part 1. E.2) <i>If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", move on to Section 6.</i>			
		☐ NO	☒ YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may result in development in a designated floodway.	E2i	☒ SI	☐
b. The proposed action may result in development within a 100-year or a 500-year floodplain.	E2j, E5a, E5b	☒ SI	☐
c. The proposed action may result in development in an area potentially affected by sea level rise.	E2k, E5c	☒ NI	☐
d. The proposed action may result in, or require, modification of existing drainage patterns.	D2b, D2e	☒ SI	☐
e. The proposed action may change flood water flows that contribute to flooding.	D2b, E2i, E2j, E2k	☒ NI	☐
f. If there is a dam located on the site of the proposed action, is the dam in need of repair, or upgrade?	E1e	☒ NI	☐

g. Other impacts:		☐	☐
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6. Impacts on Air and Climate

The proposed action may include a state regulated air emission source. (See Part 1. D.2.f., D.2.h, D.2.g) or generate greenhouse gas emissions over 10,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents (See Part 1. D.2.h)

☒ NO

☐ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - i. If "No", move on to Section 7.

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. If the proposed action requires federal or state air emission permits, the action may also have the potential to emit one or more regulated air contaminants at or above the following levels: i. More than 100 short tons/year of carbon monoxide (CO) ii. More than 100 short tons/year of oxides of nitrogen (NO _x) outside the NYC Metropolitan Area or Long Island OR 25 short tons/year within the NYC Metropolitan Area or Long Island iii. More than 100 short tons/year of particulate matter (PM-10, PM-2.5) iv. More than 50 short tons/year of volatile organic compounds (VOC) outside the NYC Metropolitan Area or Long Island OR 25 short tons/year within the NYC Metropolitan Area or Long Island v. More than 100 short tons/year of sulfur dioxide (SO ₂)	D2g D2g D2g D2g D2g	☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐	☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
b. The proposed action has the potential to emit 10 short tons/year or more of any one designated hazardous air pollutant, or 25 short tons/year or more of any combination of such hazardous air pollutants.	D2g	☐	☐
c. The proposed action may include a heat source capable of producing more than 20 million BTUs per hour.	D2f, D2g	☐	☐
d. The proposed action may exceed 50% of any of the thresholds in "a" or "b", above.	D2g	☐	☐
e. The proposed action may result in the combustion or thermal treatment of solid, hazardous, or hospital/medical/infectious waste.	D2f, D2s	☐	☐
f. The proposed action is subject to the Nonattainment New Source Review or Prevention of Significant Deterioration requirements discussed in 6 NYCRR Part 231.	D2g	☐	☐
g. The proposed action will emit more than 10,000 metric tons of CO ₂ equivalents per year.	D2h	☐	☐
h. A municipality adopted comprehensive or individual plan addressing climate change applies to the proposed action and the proposed action would materially conflict with the achievement of one or more goals of the plan related to climate change.	C2d	☐	☐
i. Other impacts:		☐	☐

7. Impact on Plants and Animals

The proposed action may result in a loss of flora or fauna. (See Part 1. E.2. m.-q.)
If "Yes", answer questions a - j. If "No", move on to Section 8.

☐ NO☒ YES

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may cause reduction in population or loss of individuals of any threatened or endangered species, as listed by New York State or the Federal government, that use the site, or are found on, over, or near the site.	E2o	☒ NI	☐
b. The proposed action may result in a reduction or degradation of any habitat used by any rare, threatened or endangered species, as listed by New York State or the federal government.	E2o	☒ SI	☐
c. The proposed action may cause reduction in population, or loss of individuals, of any species of special concern or conservation need, as listed by New York State or the Federal government, that use the site, or are found on, over, or near the site.	E2p	☒ NI	☐
d. The proposed action may result in a reduction or degradation of any habitat used by any species of special concern and conservation need, as listed by New York State or the Federal government.	E2p	☒ NI	☐

e. The proposed action may diminish the capacity of a registered National Natural Landmark to support the biological community it was established to protect.	E3c	☒ NI	☐
f. The proposed action may result in the removal of, or ground disturbance in, any portion of a designated significant natural community. Source:	E2n	☒ NI	☐
g. The proposed action may substantially interfere with nesting/breeding, foraging, or over-wintering habitat for the predominant species that occupy or use the project site.	E2m	☒ NI	☐
h. The proposed action requires the conversion of more than 10 acres of forest, grassland or any other regionally or locally important habitat. Habitat type & information source: _____	E1b	☒ NI	☐
i. Proposed action (commercial, industrial or recreational projects, only) involves use of herbicides or pesticides.	D2q	☒ NI	☐
j. Other impacts:		☐	☐

8. Impact on Agricultural Resources The proposed action may impact agricultural resources. (See Part I, E.3.a. and b.) ☒ NO ☐ YES <i>If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", move on to Section 9.</i>			
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may impact soil classified within soil group 1 through 4 of the NYS Land Classification System.	E2c, E3b	☐	☐
b. The proposed action may sever, cross or otherwise limit access to agricultural land (includes cropland, hayfields, pasture, vineyard, orchard, etc).	E1a, E1b	☐	☐
c. The proposed action may result in the excavation or compaction of the soil profile of active agricultural land.	E3b	☐	☐
d. The proposed action may irreversibly convert agricultural land to non-agricultural uses, either more than 2.5 acres if located in an Agricultural District, or more than 10 acres if not within an Agricultural District.	E1b, E3a	☐	☐
e. The proposed action may disrupt or prevent installation of an agricultural land management system.	E1a, E1b	☐	☐
f. The proposed action may result, directly or indirectly, in increased development potential or pressure on farmland.	C2c, C3, D2c, D2d	☐	☐
g. The proposed project is not consistent with the adopted municipal Farmland Protection Plan.	C2c	☐	☐
h. Other impacts: _____		☐	☐

9. Impact on Aesthetic Resources The land use of the proposed action is obviously different from, or are in sharp contrast to, current land use patterns between the proposed project and a scenic or aesthetic resource. (Part I, E.1.a, E.1.b, E.3.h.) <i>If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", go to Section 10.</i>			
		☐ NO	☒ YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. Proposed action may be visible from any officially designated federal, state, or local scenic or aesthetic resource.	E3h	☒ SI	☐
b. The proposed action may result in the obstruction, elimination or significant screening of one or more officially designated scenic views.	E3h, C2b	☒ NI	☐
c. The proposed action may be visible from publicly accessible vantage points: i. Seasonally (e.g., screened by summer foliage, but visible during other seasons) ii. Year round	E3h	☒ SI ☒	☐ ☐
d. The situation or activity in which viewers are engaged while viewing the proposed action is: i. Routine travel by residents, including travel to and from work ii. Recreational or tourism-based activities	E3h E2q, E1c	☒ SI ☒	☐ ☐
e. The proposed action may cause a diminishment of the public enjoyment and appreciation of the designated aesthetic resource.	E3h	☒ NI	☐
f. There are similar projects visible within the following distance of the proposed project: 0-1/2 mile 1/2 -3 mile 3-5 mile 5+ mile	D1a, E1a, D1f, D1g	☒ SI	☐
g. Other impacts:		☐	☐

10. Impact on Historic and Archeological Resources The proposed action may occur in or adjacent to a historic or archaeological resource. (Part I, E.3.e, f. and g.) <i>If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 11.</i>			
		☐ NO	☒ YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, any buildings, archaeological site or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historical Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places.	E3e	☒ NI	☐
b. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory.	E3f	☒ SI	☐
c. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, an archaeological site not included on the NY SHPO inventory. Source:	E3g	☒ NI	☐

d. Other impacts:		☐	☐
If any of the above (a-d) are answered "Moderate to large impact may occur", continue with the following questions to help support conclusions in Part 3:			
i. The proposed action may result in the destruction or alteration of all or part of the site or property.	E3e, E3g, E3f	☐	☐
ii. The proposed action may result in the alteration of the property's setting or integrity.	E3e, E3f, E3g, E1a, E1b	☐	☐
iii. The proposed action may result in the introduction of visual elements which are out of character with the site or property, or that may alter its setting.	E3e, E3f, E3g, E3h, C2, C3	☐	☐

11. Impact on Open Space and Recreation The proposed action may result in a loss of recreational opportunities or a reduction of an open space resource as designated in any adopted municipal open space plan. (See Part 1. C.2.c, E.1.c., E.2.q.) If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 12.			
		☒ NO	☐ YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may result in an impairment of natural functions, or "ecosystem services", provided by an undeveloped area, including but not limited to stormwater storage, nutrient cycling, wildlife habitat.	D2e, E1b E2h, E2m, E2o, E2n, E2p	☐	☐
b. The proposed action may result in the loss of a current or future recreational resource.	C2a, E1c, C2c, E2q	☐	☐
c. The proposed action may eliminate open space or recreational resource in an area with few such resources.	C2a, C2c E1c, E2q	☐	☐
d. The proposed action may result in loss of an area now used informally by the community as an open space resource.	C2c, E1c	☐	☐
e. Other impacts:		☐	☐

12. Impact on Critical Environmental Areas The proposed action may be located within or adjacent to a critical environmental area (CEA). (See Part 1. E.3.d) If "Yes", answer questions a - c. If "No", go to Section 13.			
		☒ NO	☐ YES
	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may result in a reduction in the quantity of the resource or characteristic which was the basis for designation of the CEA.	E3d	☐	☐
b. The proposed action may result in a reduction in the quality of the resource or characteristic which was the basis for designation of the CEA.	E3d	☐	☐
c. Other impacts:		☐	☐

13. Impact on Transportation

The proposed action may result in a change to existing transportation systems.

☐ NO

☒ YES

(See Part 1. D.2.j)

If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 14.

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. Projected traffic increase may exceed capacity of existing road network.	D2j	☒ NI	☐
b. The proposed action may result in the construction of paved parking area for 500 or more vehicles.	D2j	☒ NI	☐
c. The proposed action will degrade existing transit access.	D2j	☒ NI	☐
d. The proposed action will degrade existing pedestrian or bicycle accommodations.	D2j	☒ NI	☐
e. The proposed action may alter the present pattern of movement of people or goods.	D2j	☒ SI	☐
f. Other impacts:		☐	☐

14. Impact on Energy

The proposed action may cause an increase in the use of any form of energy.

☒ NO

☐ YES

(See Part 1. D.2.k)

If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", go to Section 15.

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action will require a new, or an upgrade to an existing, substation.	D2k	☐	☐
b. The proposed action will require the creation or extension of an energy transmission or supply system to serve more than 50 single or two-family residences or to serve a commercial or industrial use.	D1f, D1q, D2k	☐	☐
c. The proposed action may utilize more than 2,500 MWhrs per year of electricity.	D2k	☐	☐
d. The proposed action may involve heating and/or cooling of more than 100,000 square feet of building area when completed.	D1g	☐	☐
e. Other Impacts:		☐	☐

15. Impact on Noise, Odor, and Light

The proposed action may result in an increase in noise, odors, or outdoor lighting.

☐ NO

☒ YES

(See Part 1. D.2.m., n., and o.)

If "Yes", answer questions a - f. If "No", go to Section 16.

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may produce sound above noise levels established by local regulation.	D2m	☒ SI	☐
b. The proposed action may result in blasting within 1,500 feet of any residence, hospital, school, licensed day care center, or nursing home.	D2m, E1d	☒ NI	☐
c. The proposed action may result in routine odors for more than one hour per day.	D2o	☒ NI	☐

d. The proposed action may result in light shining onto adjoining properties.	D2n	☒ NI	☐
e. The proposed action may result in lighting creating sky-glow brighter than existing area conditions.	D2n, E1a	☒ NI	☐
f. Other impacts:		☐	☐

16. Impact on Human Health

The proposed action may have an impact on human health from exposure to new or existing sources of contaminants. (See Part 1.D.2.q., E.1. d. f. g. and h.)
If "Yes", answer questions a - m. If "No", go to Section 17.

☐ NO

☒ YES

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action is located within 1500 feet of a school, hospital, licensed day care center, group home, nursing home or retirement community.	E1d	☐	☒
b. The site of the proposed action is currently undergoing remediation.	E1g, E1h	☒ NI	☐
c. There is a completed emergency spill remediation, or a completed environmental site remediation on, or adjacent to, the site of the proposed action.	E1g, E1h	☒ NI	☐
d. The site of the action is subject to an institutional control limiting the use of the property (e.g., easement or deed restriction).	E1g, E1h	☒ NI	☐
e. The proposed action may affect institutional control measures that were put in place to ensure that the site remains protective of the environment and human health.	E1g, E1h	☒ NI	☐
f. The proposed action has adequate control measures in place to ensure that future generation, treatment and/or disposal of hazardous wastes will be protective of the environment and human health.	D2t	☒ NI	☐
g. The proposed action involves construction or modification of a solid waste management facility.	D2q, E1f	☒ NI	☐
h. The proposed action may result in the unearthing of solid or hazardous waste.	D2q, E1f	☒ NI	☐
i. The proposed action may result in an increase in the rate of disposal, or processing, of solid waste.	D2r, D2s	☒ NI	☐
j. The proposed action may result in excavation or other disturbance within 2000 feet of a site used for the disposal of solid or hazardous waste.	E1f, E1g E1h	☐	☒
k. The proposed action may result in the migration of explosive gases from a landfill site to adjacent off-site structures.	E1f, E1g	☒ NI	☐
l. The proposed action may result in the release of contaminated leachate from the project site.	D2s, E1f, D2r	☒ NI	☐
m. Other impacts:		☐	☐

17. Consistency with Community Plans

The proposed action is not consistent with adopted land use plans.
(See Part I. C.1, C.2, and C.3.)

☒ NO

☐ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - h. If "No", go to Section 18.

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action's land use components may be different from, or in sharp contrast to, current surrounding land use pattern(s).	C2, C3, D1a E1a, E1b	☐	☐
b. The proposed action will cause the permanent population of the city, town or village in which the project is located to grow by more than 5%.	C2	☐	☐
c. The proposed action is inconsistent with local land use plans or zoning regulations.	C2, C2, C3	☐	☐
d. The proposed action is inconsistent with any County plans, or other regional land use plans.	C2, C2	☐	☐
e. The proposed action may cause a change in the density of development that is not supported by existing infrastructure or is distant from existing infrastructure.	C3, D1c, D1d, D1f, D1d, E1b	☐	☐
f. The proposed action is in an area characterized by low density development that will require new or expanded public infrastructure.	C4, D2c, D2d D2j	☐	☐
g. The proposed action may induce secondary development impacts (e.g., residential or commercial development not included in the proposed action)	C2a	☐	☐
h. Other:		☐	☐

18. Consistency with Community Character

The proposed project is inconsistent with the existing community character.
(See Part I. C.2, C.3, D.2, E.3)

☒ NO

☐ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", proceed to Part 3.

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action may replace or eliminate existing facilities, structures, or areas of historic importance to the community.	E3e, E3f, E3g	☐	☐
b. The proposed action may create a demand for additional community services (e.g. schools, police and fire)	C4	☐	☐
c. The proposed action may displace affordable or low-income housing in an area where there is a shortage of such housing.	C2, C3, D1f D1g, E1a	☐	☐
d. The proposed action may interfere with the use or enjoyment of officially recognized or designated public resources.	C2, E3	☐	☐
e. The proposed action is inconsistent with the predominant architectural scale and character.	C2, C3	☐	☐
f. Proposed action is inconsistent with the character of the existing natural landscape.	C2, C3 E1a, E1b E2g, E2h	☐	☐
g. Other impacts:		☐	☐

19. Impact on Disadvantaged Communities

The proposed project may impact a disadvantaged community.
(See Part 1. E.4)

☐ NO

☒ YES

If "Yes", answer questions a - g. If "No", proceed to Part 3.

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. Is the potentially affected disadvantaged community identified as having comparatively higher burdens or vulnerabilities by the Disadvantaged Community Assessment Tool?	E.4.c	☒ SI	☐
b. The proposed action may create new air emissions or increase existing air emissions within a disadvantaged community.	D.2.f-i, E.4	☒ NI	☐
c. The proposed action may create new wastewater treatment or discharges, or expand existing wastewater treatment or discharges, within a disadvantaged community.	D.2.d	☒ NI	☐
d. The proposed action creates or expands a solid or hazardous waste management facility, or involves the generation of solid or hazardous waste, within or near a disadvantaged community.	D.2.r, D.2.s, D.2.t, E.1.f, E.1.g	☒ NI	☐
e. The proposed action may increase traffic within a disadvantaged community.	D.2.j	☒ NI	☐
f. The proposed action affects or involves one or more of the following facility types:	C.3.c, D.1.a, D.1.g, D.2.a, D.2.d, D.2.f, E.1.a, E.1.b, E.1.h, E.1.v, E.4	☒ NI	☐
i. landfill;		☒ NI	☐
ii. other industrial, manufacturing, or mining land uses;		☒ NI	☐
iii. major oil or chemical bulk storage facility;		☒ NI	☐
iv. municipal waste combustor;		☒ NI	☐
v. power generation facility;		☒ NI	☐
vi. risk management plan site;		☒ NI	☐
vii. remediation site; or		☒ NI	☐
viii. scrap metal processor.		☒ NI	☐
g. Other impacts:		☐	☐

20. Future Physical Climate Risks

The proposed project may be vulnerable to future physical climate risks or increase the vulnerability of human or ecological communities to future physical climate risks.

☒ NO ☐ YES

(See Part 1, E.5)

If "Yes", answer questions a - e. If "No", proceed to Part 3.

	Relevant Part I Question(s)	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
a. The proposed action is vulnerable to damage from a projected 100-year flood.	E2j, E5a	☐	☐
b. The proposed action is vulnerable to damage from a 500-year flood.	E2k, E5b	☐	☐
c. The proposed action is in an area potentially affected by sea level rise.	E5c	☐	☐
d. The proposed action may increase the vulnerability of human or ecological communities to the following: i. drought ii. temperature extremes (hot or cold) iii. extreme storms, including high winds iv. landslides v. coastal erosion vi. stormwater flooding vii. other climate or weather hazards? If yes, describe: _____	E5d	☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐	☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
e. Other impacts:		☐	☐

Project :

Date :

Full Environmental Assessment Form
Part 3 - Evaluation of the Magnitude and Importance of Project Impacts
and
Determination of Significance

Part 3 provides the reasons in support of the determination of significance. The lead agency must complete Part 3 for every question in Part 2 where the impact has been identified as potentially moderate to large or where there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action will not, or may, result in a significant adverse environmental impact.

Based on the analysis in Part 3, the lead agency must decide whether to require an environmental impact statement to further assess the proposed action or whether available information is sufficient for the lead agency to conclude the proposed action will not have a significant adverse environmental impact. By completing the certification on the next page, the lead agency can complete its determination of significance.

Reasons Supporting This Determination:

To complete this section:

- Identify the impact based on the Part 2 responses and describe its magnitude. Magnitude considers factors such as severity, size, or extent of an impact.
- Assess the importance of the impact. Importance relates to the geographic scope, duration, probability of the impact occurring, number of people affected by the impact, and any additional environmental consequences if the impact were to occur.
- The assessment should take into consideration any design element or project changes.
- Repeat this process for each Part 2 question where the impact has been identified as potentially moderate to large or where there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action will not, or may, result in a significant adverse environmental impact.
- Provide the reason(s) why the impact may, or will not, result in a significant adverse environmental impact.
- For Conditional Negative Declarations identify the specific condition(s) imposed that will modify the proposed action so that no significant adverse environmental impacts will result.
- Attach additional sheets, as needed.

An evaluation of the magnitude and importance of project impacts was completed and details are available under separate cover in a Part 3 Supporting Information document.

Determination of Significance - Type 1 and Unlisted Actions

SEQR Status: ☒ Type 1 ☐ Unlisted

Identify portions of EAF completed for this Project: ☒ Part 1 ☒ Part 2 ☒ Part 3

Upon review of the information recorded on this EAF, as noted, plus this additional support information

See Part 3 Supporting Information (available under separate cover).

and considering both the magnitude and importance of each identified potential impact, it is the conclusion of the
City of Oneida Common Council as lead agency that:

☐ A. This project will result in no significant adverse impacts on the environment, and, therefore, an environmental impact statement need not be prepared. Accordingly, this negative declaration is issued.

☐ B. Although this project could have a significant adverse impact on the environment, that impact will be avoided or substantially mitigated because of the following conditions that will be required by the lead agency:

There will, therefore, be no significant adverse impacts from the project as conditioned, and, therefore, this conditioned negative declaration is issued. A conditioned negative declaration may be used only for UNLISTED actions (see 6 NYCRR 617.7(d)).

☐ C. This Project may result in one or more significant adverse impacts on the environment and an environmental impact statement must be prepared to further assess the impact(s) and possible mitigation and to explore alternatives to avoid or reduce those impacts. Accordingly, this positive declaration is issued.

Name of Action: **City of Oneida Sewer Collection System Improvements Project**

Name of Lead Agency: **City of Oneida Common Council**

Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency: **Rick Rossi**

Title of Responsible Officer: **Mayor**

Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency:

Date:

Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

Date:

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For Type I Actions and Conditioned Negative Declarations, a copy of this Notice is sent to:

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Other involved agencies (if any)

Applicant (if any)

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PART 3 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

EVALUATION OF THE MAGNITUDE AND IMPORTANCE OF PROJECT IMPACTS

for

City of Oneida Sewer Collection System Improvements Project

**City of Oneida
Madison County, New York**

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Figure 1 — Proposed Improvements

A. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The City of Oneida is facing significant challenges with its aging wastewater collection system, which is over 75 years old. The infrastructure has deteriorated over time, leading to excessive inflow and infiltration (I&I) during wet weather events. This results in an overburdened wastewater treatment plant (WWTP), increased operational costs, reduced system efficiency, and a greater risk of sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs). The City has also experienced localized flooding events, including the 2012 flooding disaster, which caused extensive damage to homes and infrastructure. The need for a sustainable solution to address these issues is critical to ensure continued safe and reliable wastewater services.

The City is proposing targeted rehabilitation of the system through Cured-in-Place Pipe (CIPP) lining and main replacements, including 1,450 linear feet (LF) of replacement and 2,050 LF of CIPP lining. This would address the primary sources of inflow and infiltration, reduce extraneous flows (resulting in increased WWTP capacity), and extend the life of the infrastructure. The Project area additionally includes locations to be televised or inspected with CCTV methods, which do not have repairs proposed at this time, but may require additional rehabilitation. The Project area and proposed improvements are shown on Figure 1.

B. COORDINATED REVIEW

The City of Oneida Common Council declared their intent to act as the lead agency for the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) process on May 19, 2026. Part 1 of the Full Environmental Assessment Form (FEAF) and a project location map were sent electronically to the interested and involved agencies listed in Table 1 to initiate a coordinated review of the proposed action. The coordinated review period ended on June 25, 2026. A response was received from NYSDOT indicating a Utility Highway Permit will be required for work within the NYSDOT Right-of-Way, equipment and materials cannot be staged in the NYSDOT Right-of-Way, and project plans will need to be provided. A response was received from the NYSDEC indicating that a Protection of Waters permit is likely not required, however a parcel Jurisdictional Determination and Water Withdrawal Permit were suggested. The NYSDEC also indicated that the project will have no adverse impacts resulting from work near DEC remediation sites. The NYSDEC also provided information regarding new Environmental Justice Siting Law and SEQR regulations. A response was received from the NYS OCR providing their consent to the designation of the City of Oneida as Lead Agency and outlining additional requirements for future funding. No agencies objected to the City of Oneida Common Council assuming the role of Lead Agency for the project. Coordinated review responses are provided in Appendix A. Further coordination with involved and interested agencies will be completed during project design.

Table 1— Interested and Involved Agencies		
Involved Agencies	Interested Agencies	Other Entities Provided Copies of SEQRA Correspondence
NYS Department of Health (NYSDOH) NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation (NYSEFC) NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Region 7 NYS Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) Region 2 NYS Homes & Community Renewal - Office of Community Renewal (NYS OCR) NYS Department of State (NYSDOS)	Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)	Northern Border Regional Commission U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA)

C. DETAILED INFORMATION IN RESPONSE TO PART 2 OF SEQRA FULL EAF

The following information provides a detailed discussion of the potential impacts identified in Part 2 of the FEAFF that were listed as small or moderate to large, in support of Part 3 of the FEAFF. The answers in the "No or Small Impact" column on Part 2 of the FEAFF are further clarified with an "NI" for no impact and "SI" for small impact. This document is organized according to the question numbers in Part 2, and the additional information provided herein summarizes the proposed actions that will be taken to minimize and/or mitigate each identified impact.

1. Impacts on Land

1.a. *The proposed action may involve construction on land where depth to water table is less than 3 feet.*

Based on data available from the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service's (USDA NRCS) Web Soil Survey, the project area contains multiple locations that have a water table depth within 3 feet. The proposed work in these locations includes CIPP lining of mains, replacement mains, spot repairs, and televising. Areas currently designated as not needing repairs have also been included for potential future repairs. All ground disturbances will be temporary.

Although the FEAFF Part 1 included an estimated 2 acres of total potential ground disturbance, the actual amount of disturbance for the proposed repairs/replacement will be less than one acre (about 0.97 acres), so coverage under the SPDES General Permit for Construction Activity is not required. Erosion and sediment controls will be incorporated into the project's design plans and will be followed during construction. All necessary permits will be secured from the NYSDEC and/or USACE prior to construction. Temporarily disturbed areas will be restored to their pre-construction grades and cover types once construction is completed.

1.c. *The proposed action may involve construction on land where bedrock is exposed, or generally within 5 feet of existing ground surface.*

The USDA NRCS Web Soil Survey reported an average depth to bedrock of approximately 5.6 feet within the project area. Mapped soil units with bedrock depths below five feet are located along Lenox Avenue and Stoneleigh Road. Spot repair is proposed on Stoneleigh Road. No repairs are currently proposed along Lenox Avenue, however future repairs may be necessary. Any repairs will involve temporary disturbance. Geotechnical investigations will be completed during the project's design phase to obtain data regarding subsurface conditions. This information will be referenced during design development and will be used to determine potential construction methods. Additionally, erosion and sediment controls will be incorporated into the project's design plans and will be followed during construction to prevent excess erosion in areas with shallow soils.

1.e. The proposed action may involve construction that is continuous for more than 1 year or in multiple phases.

Construction will be completed in one phase that will last for approximately 17 months. The project covers multiple areas in the City, but work is likely to be restricted to one or several locations at any given time. Additionally, work may not be continuous due to seasonal weather conditions. All impacts related to construction will be temporary, and the project will improve the existing sewer collection system that serves the community.

1.f. The proposed action may result in increased erosion, whether from physical disturbance or vegetation removal (including from treatment by herbicides).

The proposed repairs/replacements will involve approximately 0.97 acres of ground disturbance, which may result in temporary increases in erosion during construction. No herbicide treatment is proposed. Most ground disturbances will take place within paved road limits or rights-of-way immediately adjacent to roads throughout the City. All disturbed areas will be stabilized and restored to pre-construction conditions after work is completed. No new above-ground structures that would result in a net increase in impervious area are proposed. Stormwater runoff will be directed to the City's existing closed stormwater drainage system.

2. Impacts on Geological Features

No impacts to geological features were identified. The proposed action will not result in the modification or destruction of, or inhibit access to, any unique or unusual landforms on the site (e.g., cliffs, dunes, minerals, fossils, caves).

3. Impacts on Surface Water

3.d. The proposed action may involve construction within or adjoining a freshwater or tidal wetland, or in the bed or banks of any other water body.

NWI-mapped freshwater wetlands and NYSDEC informational mapped freshwater wetlands intersect the project area along Lenox Avenue, in the backlot crossing between Hunt Valley Road and Birchwood Drive, and the backlot crossing between East Sands Street and East Grove Street. Tributary 7 of Oneida Creek intersects the project area in the backlot crossing between East Sands Street and East Grove Street and Tributary 10 of Cowaselon Creek intersects the project area at the northern edge of Lenox Avenue. A wetland delineation will be conducted during the project's design phase to document the presence of any unmapped resources on site and to document the jurisdictional limits of mapped resources within the project area. No repairs are proposed within mapped resource locations. If repairs are determined to be necessary in these areas, all impacts will be temporary and will result in subsurface mains within these locations, and necessary permits will be secured from the NYSDEC and/or USACE prior to construction.

3.e. The proposed action may create turbidity in a waterbody, either from upland erosion, runoff, or by disturbing bottom sediments.

Ground disturbances associated with sewer collection system repairs may result in increased upland erosion. Erosion and sediment controls will be incorporated into the project's design plans and will be followed during construction to prevent erosion-related turbidity increases to on- and off-site surface waters. The City will secure all necessary permits from the NYSDEC and USACE, and all permit conditions will be followed during construction.

3.h. The proposed action may cause soil erosion, or otherwise create a source of stormwater discharge that may lead to siltation or other degradation of receiving water bodies.

See response to 3.e, above.

3.i. The proposed action may affect the water quality of any water bodies within or downstream of the site of the proposed action.

See response to 3.e, above.

4. Impacts on Groundwater

No impacts on groundwater were identified. The project does not involve any groundwater withdrawals or subsurface discharges of wastewater.

5. Impacts on Flooding

5.a. The proposed action may result in development in a designated floodway.

The proposed replacement main on East Walnut Street intersects the floodway and 100-year floodplain (Zone AE) of Oneida Creek, as mapped by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The proposed CIPP lining on Devereaux Street intersects the 100-year floodplain of Oneida Creek. A small amount of temporary ground disturbance will result in the floodway and/or floodplain related to the replacement. No work is currently proposed in the backlot location between East Sands Street and East Grove Street, but may be determined as necessary during the project's design phase. This location intersects the floodway and 100-year floodplain of Oneida Creek. The remaining work locations are located outside of mapped floodplains. The City will review the design plans to ensure they are compliant with their local floodplain regulations. No new above-grade development is proposed that would permanently alter floodplain elevations or flow patterns; the project is limited to rehabilitation of existing subsurface infrastructure. No adverse impacts to floodplains are anticipated.

5.b. The proposed action may result in development within a 100 year floodplain.

See response to 5.a. above.

5.d. The proposed action may result in, or require, modification of existing drainage patterns.

Temporary ground disturbances will result from sewer main replacement and repairs throughout the City (approximately 0.97 total) which may modify drainage patterns during construction. Stormwater runoff will be directed to the City's existing closed drainage system which discharges to Oneida Creek. Erosion and sediment controls will be incorporated into the project's design plans and will be followed during construction to prevent turbid stormwater runoff from leaving the immediate work areas.

6. Impacts on Air and Climate

No air permits will be needed for the construction or operation of the project. There will be an increase in fossil fuel consumption by heavy machinery during construction; however, this minor and temporary increase in vehicular emissions is not anticipated to have any measurable impact on local air quality.

7. Impacts on Plants and Animals

7.b. The proposed action may result in a reduction or degradation of any habitat used by any rare, threatened or endangered species, as listed by New York State or the federal government.

The proposed action is likely to have a small impact on the local flora and fauna. All efforts will be made to reduce or eliminate the impact by limiting clearing and following all Federal and State guidelines related to ecological impacts and review processes. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (USFWS) Information for Planning and Conservation (IPaC) system reported the Northern Long-eared Bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*, endangered), Tricolored Bat (*Perimyotis subflavus*, proposed endangered) and Monarch Butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*, proposed threatened) for the Project area. The NYSDEC Environmental Resource Mapper (ERM) did not report any rare plants or animals within the Project area.

A habitat assessment will be completed during the project's design phase to evaluate if suitable habitat for the reported species is present in the Project area. Most of the proposed improvements will be located within paved road limits or immediately adjacent to roads, which will reduce the amount of tree removal required. If tree removal is needed, it will be conducted during the bats' hibernation season (November 1 through March 31).

8. Impacts on Agricultural Resources

No impacts on agricultural resources were identified. The project site contains soil units classified as prime farmland or farmland of statewide importance, but is not within a certified agricultural district, and does not contain any active agricultural land.

9. Impacts on Aesthetic Resources

9.a. Proposed action may be visible from any officially designated federal, state, or local scenic or aesthetic resource.

The Project area is located in the vicinity of multiple municipal parks, including the Veterans Memorial Playfield, Sconondoa Playground, Harmon Field, Maxwell Field, Du Ross Conservancy, Allen Park, and Oneida Castle Village Park. Construction activities may be visible from these scenic resources. A portion of the Project area in the backlot crossing between East Sands Street and East Grove Street intersects the mapped extents of Maxwell Field. No improvements are currently proposed in this area. If improvements are required in this area, temporary visual impacts will occur throughout the duration of construction, but visual conditions will return to their original state when construction is complete.

- 9.c. The proposed action may be visible from publicly accessible vantage points:**
- i. Seasonally (e.g., screened by summer foliage, but visible during other seasons)**
 - ii. Year-Round**

Construction activities will be visible to people travelling through the Project area (including routine travel by residents and visitors passing through). See 9.a explanation above. No permanent changes to the local viewshed will result from the project, as all sewer infrastructure will be located underground.

- 9.d. The situation or activity in which viewers are engaged while viewing the proposed action is:**
- i. Routine travel by residents, including travel to and from work.**
 - ii. Recreational or tourism based activities.**

See response to 9.a. and 9.c. above.

- 9.f. There are similar projects visible within the following distance of the proposed project: 0-1/2 mile.**

The project proposes to improve the City's existing sewer collection infrastructure which will remain subsurface. Similar systems are located in nearby municipalities. No new land uses are proposed.

10. Impacts on Historic and Archeological Resources

- 10.b. The proposed action may occur wholly or partially within, or substantially contiguous to, an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preserve Office (SHPO) archeological site inventory.**

The Project area is partially located within an archaeologically sensitive area mapped by the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). There are no properties listed on the State and National Register of Historic Places within the Project area. Project information was submitted to SHPO's Cultural Resource Information System (CRIS). SHPO consultation is in progress. All recommendations made by SHPO will be followed to avoid adverse impacts to archaeological and historic resources from the project.

11. Impacts on Open Space and Recreation

No impacts on open spaces or recreational areas were identified. The majority of the project involves rehabilitation work within road rights-of-way, and all sewer mains will remain underground. A portion of the Project area in the backlot crossing between East Sands Street and East Grove Street intersects the mapped extents of Maxwell Field, however no improvements are currently proposed in this area. If improvements are required in this area, conditions will return to their original state when construction is complete.

12. Impacts on Critical Environmental Areas

No impacts to Critical Environmental Areas were identified. There are no Critical Environmental Areas within the project area.

13. Impacts on Transportation

13.e. *The proposed action may alter the present pattern of movement of people or goods.*

Work will be completed primarily within the rights-of-way of multiple local and State-owned roadways. Temporary disruptions to vehicular and pedestrian traffic will likely result during construction. For work completed on state-owned roadways, a highway work permit will be obtained from the NYSDOT. No permanent impacts to the existing transportation patterns within the Project area are anticipated.

14. Impacts on Energy

No impacts on energy were identified. The project does not involve construction of any new facilities that will consume energy.

15. Impacts on Noise, Odor, and Light

15.a. *The proposed action may produce sound above noise levels established by local regulation.*

Ambient noise levels may be exceeded temporarily during construction. Construction will be limited to weekday, daylight hours, which will minimize noise impacts on the community and nearby receptors. Elevated noise conditions will be temporary and will end once construction is complete. No permanent changes in ambient noise levels will result from the project.

16. Impacts on Human Health

16.a. *The proposed action is located within 1500 feet of a school, hospital, licensed day care center, group home, nursing home or retirement community.*

Proposed improvements on North Street, North Main Street, and West Elm Street will take place within 1500 feet of North Broad Street School (400 feet,

420 feet, and 680 feet, respectively). The Oneida Area Day Care Center is located within approximately 1,020 feet of the project area between Hunt Valley Road and Birchwood Drive. No repairs are currently proposed within this area. The Willard Prior Elementary School and Central New York DSO are located within 1500 feet of the Project area between East Sands Street and East Grove Street (approximately 1,450 feet and 1,070 feet, respectively). No repairs are currently proposed within this area. No work is proposed directly on or adjacent to these school or daycare properties, and no adverse impacts to their operations are anticipated. Access to all facilities will be maintained throughout the duration of construction.

16.j. *The proposed action may result in excavation or other disturbance within 2000 feet of a site used for disposal of solid or hazardous waste.*

Sites 727008, E727012, B00077, V00224, B00076, and 727013 are centrally located between project locations on East Walnut Street, West Elm Street, and William Street. These areas are part of the State Superfund Program (Sites 727008 and 727013), the Environmental Restoration Program (Sites E727012, B00077, and B00076), and the Voluntary Cleanup Program (Site V00224).

Site 727008 previously contained the Niagara Mohawk Manufactured Gas Plant (MGP), and the contaminant of concern was coal tar. According to the NYSDEC, remediation at this site is complete. Site E727012 contained leaking underground fuel storage tanks associated with nearby rail yards. Contaminants of concern include multiple semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) and volatile organic compounds (VOCs). According to the NYSDEC, most of the site is covered with clean stone fill and contaminated soil and soil vapor are only of concern during digging or if a building is placed on the site. Site B00077 contained the Oneida Carriage Works, the Oneida Tire Warehouse, the Oneida Steel Pulley Works, and the Dodge Steel Pulley Works. Contaminants of concern included SVOCs in the soil and metals in the groundwater. According to the NYSDEC, remediation at this site is complete. A deed restriction related to land use restrictions and cover system is in place on for the site. Site V00224 previously contained a Niagara Mohawk MGP, a Rubber Tire Works, and a Tool and Machine Company. Contaminants of concern included benzene and coal tar. According to the NYSDEC, remediation at this site is complete. A deed restriction related to land use restrictions, cover system, and a soil management plan is in place on for the site. Site B00076 previously contained industrial sites, and contamination resulted from a concrete sump in a paint dipping room, arsenic contaminated soils in a coal storage area, and fuel oil contamination from an oil tank containment area. Contaminants of concern were VOCs, SVOCs, and metals in the soil. According to the NYSDEC, remediation at this site is complete. A deed restriction related to land use restrictions and cover system is in place on for the site. Site 727013 previously contained the Oneida Range, a small arms range. No contaminants of concern have been reported for the site, however the NYSDEC is still conducting site investigations, and the site is currently listed as Class P (Potential).

No ground-disturbing work is proposed at or directly adjacent to the remediation sites, as all work is at least 1,500 feet from remediation sites.

Therefore, the risk of encountering hazardous materials associated with the remediation sites is expected to be low. If any contamination is encountered during construction, the NYSDEC spill reporting guidelines would be followed.

17. Consistency with Community Plans

No impacts related to community plans were identified. The proposed action is consistent with existing community plans.

18. Consistency with Community Character

No impacts related to community character were identified. The proposed action is consistent with existing community character.

19. Impact on Disadvantaged Communities

19.a. *Is the potentially affected disadvantaged community identified as having comparatively higher burdens or vulnerabilities by the Disadvantaged Community Assessment Tool?*

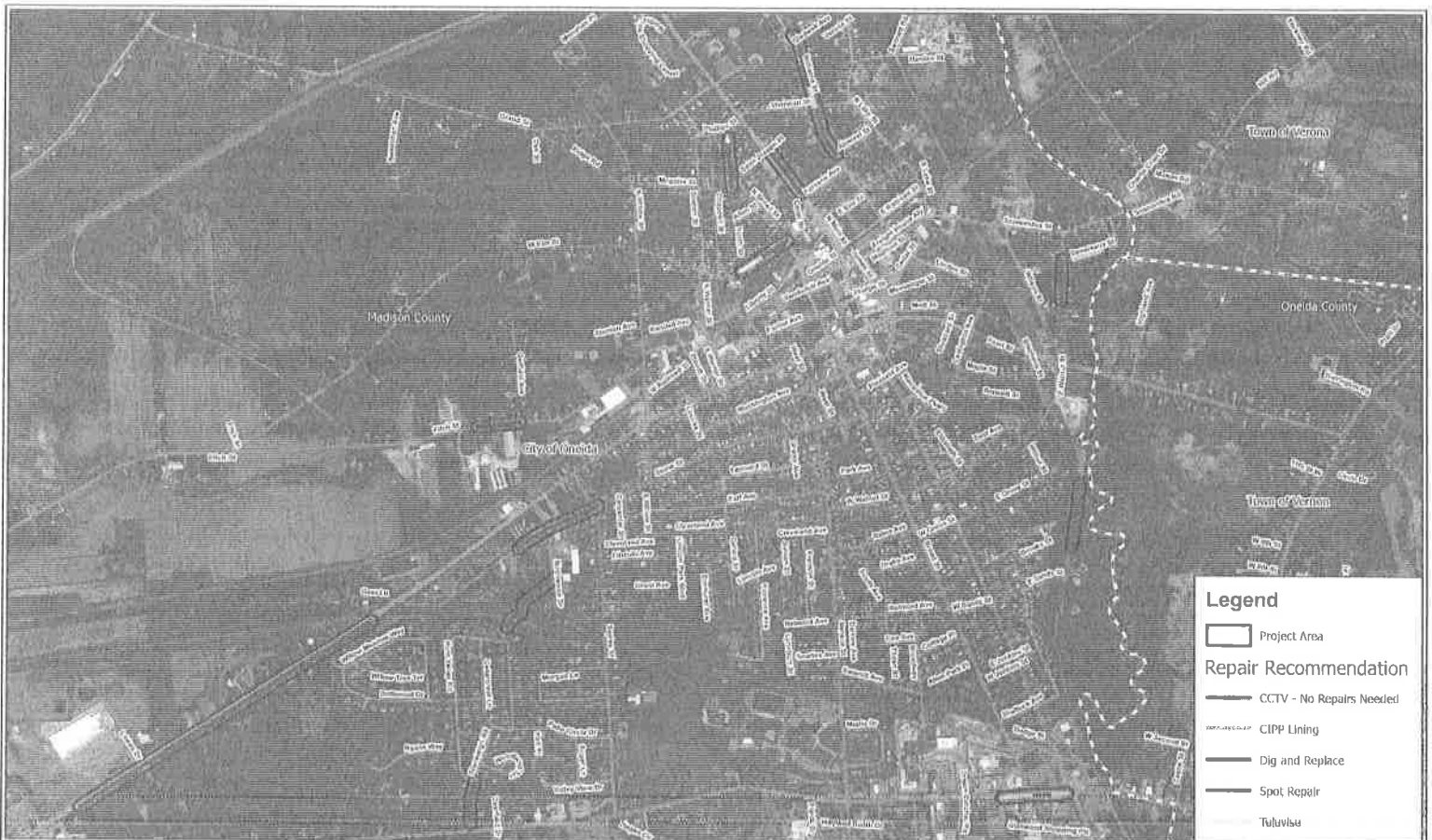
Proposed improvements along William Street, N Main Street, E Walnut Street, and Devereaux Street are located within a Disadvantaged Community (DAC) identified by the DAC Assessment Tool as having comparatively higher burdens and vulnerabilities. Improvements along Lenox Avenue, Fitch Street, Stone Street, Stoneleigh Road, NYS Route 5, and the backlot between Hunt Valley Road and Birchwood Drive are located within a DAC identified as Indigenous Lands. All impacts within these areas will be temporary, resulting in subsurface mains within these locations and ultimately improving wastewater collection within these areas.

20. Future Physical Climate Risks

No impacts related to future physical climate risks were identified. The project will involve repairs and replacement of existing sewer main, and all structures will be located subsurface. No above-ground development is proposed within a floodplain.

Figure 1

Proposed Improvements



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City of Oneida
Project Location Map
Madison County Oneida New York

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Appendix A

Coordinated Review Responses

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Good afternoon,

As requested, the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) has reviewed the request for the City of Oneida Common Council to serve as Lead Agency for purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) in relation to the proposed sewer improvements to be located in the City of Oneida.

Upon review of the information provided, the NYSDOT concurs with this request and does not have issue with the development as proposed.

We offer the following comments for the Sewer Collection I&I Improvements Project:

1. All work within the NYSODT Right-of-Way will require a Utility Highway Permit.
 - a. Section along NY 365A (Lenox Avenue) will require a highway work permit showing the setup areas for the inspection and traffic control.
2. No equipment or materials shall be staged in the NYSDOT right-of-way.
3. A full set of engineered plans are required for the work on N Main Street (NY 46) from Saint Joseph Place and Furnace Avenue.
4. Provide project plans for a NYSDOT internal review.
5. Verify whether this project site contains or is substantially contiguous to the Oneida -Main St.- Broad St- Grove St NR historic district.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Regards,
Samantha

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**RE: City of Oneida Sewer Collection System Improvements Project
SEQR Lead Agency Concurrence
Geographical Inquiry #: GID-007128
City of Oneida, Madison County**

Dear Mayor Rick Rossi:

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) received the City of Oneida's notice of intent to act as Lead Agency. This information was received by the DEC on May 26, 2026. According to the provided materials, the project consists of sewer collection inflow and infiltration (I&I) improvements by replacing approximately 1,450 LF of pipe, 2,050 LF of cured-in-place pipe, and inspection of additional areas with CCTV methods that may require additional rehabilitation.

Based upon our review of your inquiry, DEC offers the following comments:

PROTECTION OF WATERS

Two unnamed streams (NYS Water Index #: ONT-66-11-P26-33-10 & ONT-66-11-P26-25-7), both Class C, unprotected, waterbodies, are in close proximity to the project site.

A Protection of Waters, Stream Disturbance, Permit is required to physically disturb the bed or banks (up to 50 feet from stream) of streams or waterbodies under 10 acres classified as AA, A, or B, or those with a classification of C which also have a standard of T or TS. Disturbance of the bed or banks of streams or waterbodies with a classification of C or D which do not have a T or TS standard do not require this permit. Please be aware, a Protection of Waters, Excavation and Fill, Permit is required for any excavation or placing fill below the mean high water level (MHWL) of any waterbodies and contiguous wetlands identified as "navigable.". For more information, please visit <https://dec.ny.gov/regulatory/permits-licenses/waterways-coastlines-wetlands/protection-of-waters-program>.

Although a Protection of Waters permit does not appear to be required, please note, however, the project sponsor is responsible for ensuring all work shall not pollute any potential nearby stream or waterbody. Care shall be taken to prevent contamination of any stream or waterbody by silt, sediment, fuels, solvents, lubricants, or any other pollutant associated with the project.

WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION

If the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) requires a permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act for the discharge of fill in Waters of the U.S., then a Section 401 Water Quality Certification will be required. Issuance of these certifications is delegated in New York State to DEC. If the project qualifies for a Nationwide Permit, it may be eligible for coverage under DEC's Blanket Water Quality Certification. A determination on USACE jurisdiction and Nationwide Permit eligibility is likely necessary for a DEC jurisdictional determination. For more information, please visit <https://dec.ny.gov/regulatory/permits-licenses/waterways-coastlines-wetlands/protection-of-waters-program>.

FRESHWATER WETLANDS

New York State regulated freshwater wetlands, and their associated 100-foot adjacent area(s) may be located within the identified site or project area. Pursuant to Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) Article 24, DEC has jurisdiction over wetlands that are 12.4 acres or larger, as well as previously mapped wetlands. Certain activities or physical disturbances to the regulated freshwater wetlands and/or their 100-foot adjacent area(s) require an ECL Article 24, Freshwater Wetlands permit from DEC.

The Lead Agency's SEQR determination of significance should consider the project's natural resource impacts on potentially regulated freshwater wetlands.

To determine whether the property contains regulated freshwater wetlands the project sponsor must submit a parcel Jurisdictional Determination (JD). A parcel JD is a determination by DEC as to whether a property or an area of interest on the property includes regulated freshwater wetlands and/or regulated adjacent areas within the parcel or area boundaries. The parcel JD does not state the extent of the wetlands. If a determination is made that the property contains regulated freshwater wetlands or regulated adjacent areas, a delineation of the wetland boundaries and a project JD will be required. A project JD is a determination made by DEC whether a proposed activity within a location that has regulated freshwater wetlands or regulated adjacent areas requires an ECL Article 24, Freshwater Wetlands permit. For projects where the presence of regulated freshwater wetlands is known, there is a consultant option – parcel JD process. This process provides wetland practitioners with the option of drafting a positive parcel JD for project areas in which they've identified the presence of regulated freshwater wetlands or regulated adjacent areas following DEC's SOP for remote jurisdictional determination and classification of freshwater wetlands. More Information on these formal assessments can be found on DEC's Freshwater Wetland Jurisdictional Determination webpage.

If disturbance to a regulated freshwater wetland and/or adjacent area cannot be avoided, the project sponsor must submit a Joint Application Form (following the Instructions) to DEC. The applicant, through the application process, must meet the standards for permit issuance, and receive coverage under an ECL Article 24, Freshwater Wetlands, permit prior to commencing the proposal. In accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 663, Freshwater Wetlands Permit Requirements, applicants must justify the need for the disturbance, discuss avoidance measures that were considered, steps taken to minimize impacts, and once those have been exhausted, steps to mitigate impacts, as part of the permit application. Information on application procedures and permit issuance standards can be found on DEC's Freshwater Wetlands Program webpage. For additional information on regulated freshwater wetlands please contact DEC Bureau of Habitat Central Office, FWWjurisdiction@dec.ny.gov.

ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION

This project site is within 2,000 feet of mapped DEC Remediation Sites (727008, E727012, B00077, V00224, B00076, 72713, and Active Spill #2507570). The indicated sites were found in the DEC Environmental Site Remediation database and checked against the project location. In review of the information provided, DEC has determined that this project will not result in adverse environmental impacts resulting from work near the remediation site(s) and no further review is required. This project involves excavation on Stone Street, on the opposite side of the property of Spill #2507570. If any contamination is found upon excavation, the contaminated soil will need to be properly separated and disposed. If you have any questions, please contact Joshua Cook, DER, at (315) 426-7524 or Anthony Russo, DER, at (315) 426-7466.

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE SITING LAW AND SEQR

This site is located within a Disadvantaged Community (DAC). As you may know, provisions of the Environmental Justice Siting Law (EJSL) related to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) took effect December 30, 2024. The EJ Siting Law requires lead agencies under SEQR to consider whether an action may cause or increase a disproportionate pollution burden on a DAC as part of the determination of significance (whether an environmental impact statement should be prepared for the project). On January 29, 2025, DEC published a notice of proposed rulemaking related to those provisions, including draft express terms, draft model environmental assessment forms, and draft SEQR workbook guidance.

While the regulations are not effective until they are adopted, agencies may implement the new law by using the draft materials. Agencies may also use other information sources and methods. Additional information, including draft guidance, can be found on DEC's website at the following links: The Environmental Justice Siting Law and Proposed Amendments to 6 NYCRR Part 617.

By copy of this letter, the City of Oneida, as Lead Agency for this project, is being provided information on the requirements of the EJSL and resources available to implement them.

WATER & SEWER

New public water supply systems with the capacity to meet or exceed the 100,000 gallon per day (gpd) threshold volume will need a Water Withdrawal Permit pursuant to 6 NYCRR 601 Regulations. This applies both to withdrawals from new sources of water and to increased withdrawals from existing sources. This also applies to the extension of a "service area" of public water supply systems with a capacity that meets or exceeds the threshold volume. The entity that supplies the water would be responsible for the new or modified permit. Water withdrawal systems that are exempt from the requirement to obtain a permit can be found at: <https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/water/water-quantity/water-withdrawal-permits-reporting/permits>.

If the development project will connect to municipal sewer lines and can be covered under that municipality's existing SPDES Permit, approval of the plans for the wastewater disposal system, which includes the extension of the sewer lines to the existing wastewater treatment system that includes one or more connection or a single connection of 2500 gpd or greater, is required. Sewer extensions must be designed in accordance with Recommended Standards for Wastewater Facilities, 2014 Edition. An engineering report that includes a capacity analysis of the sewer collection system and WWTP is required. Please contact Matt Kazmierski, Division of Water, at (315) 426-7534 for more information.

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SEQR Lead Agency Concurrence
Geographical Inquiry #: GID-007128
City of Oneida, Madison County

Date: 6/23/2026

Depending on the nature of the project and the conditions at the project site, further information from on-site surveys or other sources may be required to fully assess impacts on biological resources.

CULTURAL RESOURCES

We have reviewed the statewide inventory of archaeological resources maintained by the New York State Museum and the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation. These records indicate that the project is located within an area considered to be sensitive with regard to archaeological resources. For more information, please visit the New York State Office of Historic Preservation website at <https://parks.ny.gov/shpo/>.

In addition to transmitting the above comments, this letter also serves to confirm that DEC has no objection to the City of Oneida assuming lead agency status for this project. By copy of this letter, we are advising Barton & Loguidice, of the above referenced resources, concerns and/or potential DEC permits. It is possible that the DEC permit requirements may change based upon additional information received or as project modifications occur.

Please contact this office if you have questions regarding the above information. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Re: Lead Agency Consent
NYS CDBG Project # N/A

The NYS Office of Community Renewal (OCR) consents to the designation of the City of Oneida as Lead Agency for the purpose of conducting a coordinated review of the above-referenced project classified as a Type I Action under 6NYCRR617 State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA). The NYS Office of Community Renewal requires that all involved agencies be provided with written notice of your determination of significance.

Please be aware, an application for the above-referenced project has not been received by the NYS OCR, no determination has yet been made regarding any award of funding, and no CDBG reimbursable costs may be incurred prior to any potential award of funding. In addition, prior to completion of all environmental review processes including SEQRA, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), flood notice or Coastal Zone Management requirements, as applicable, no choice limiting actions (construction, purchase of property, etc.) may be undertaken regardless of the source of funding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "C. Philion".

Charles Philion
Program Director
Office of Community Renewal

cc: Kaitlyn Moranz Staff Environmental Scientist Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C.