

TOWN OF EDMESTON
EARLY NOTICE AND PUBLIC REVIEW OF PROPOSED
ACTIVITY LOCATED IN A 100-YEAR FLOODPLAIN

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals, including the Otsego County Highways, Forestry, and Parks Dept., Otsego County Dept. of Health, NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation, NYS Dept. of Health, NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation, NYS Dept. of Transportation, NYS Office of Community Renewal, NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and U.S. Dept. of Agriculture Rural Development.

This is to give notice that the Town of Edmeston has conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order 11988 and 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management, to determine the potential affect that its activity in the floodplain and wetland will have on the human environment for the Town of Edmeston Water System Improvements Project.

The proposed project involves improvements to the existing water treatment building and construction of a new treatment building at the Town's well site, replacement of approximately 14,300 linear feet of existing water main, replacement of existing hydrants and water services, installation of approximately 6 new hydrants, installation of a new water transmission main from the Town's existing Spring Site to South Street (the existing transmission main will be abandoned in place), and installation of new pumps and a generator at the Town's spring site. The project area is located within the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mapped 100-year floodplain of Mill Creek. Floodplains provide a number of ecological functions, including flood protection, improved water quality, and wildlife habitat. The proposed replacement water main along East St, North St, and South St intersect the 100-year floodplain. The water main will be located underground, and all temporarily disturbed areas will be restored to their pre-construction grades and stabilized after installation is complete. Therefore, no permanent impacts to floodplains will result from the project. The total area of the FEMA-mapped 100-year floodplain within the project area is approximately 1 acre. The project will result in approximately 0.25 acres of temporary disturbance within the mapped 100-year floodplain associated with water main installation. The proposed project is located along East St, West St, North St, Bert White Rd, South St, Medbury Ave, High St, Gates Ave, Burdick Ave, Dutch Valley Rd, Heap Rd, County Highway 20, and the existing spring site and well site in the Town of Edmeston, Otsego County, New York.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information about floodplains can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplain, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the Town of Edmeston at the following address on or before July 8, 2022: Town of Edmeston, P.O. Box 5133, Edmeston, NY 13335 and (607) 965-9823, Attention: Arthur Klingler, Jr., Supervisor, during normal business hours (Mondays 9 AM to 1 PM, Tuesdays 10 AM to 2 PM, Thursdays 4 PM to 7 PM, and 9 AM to 12 PM the first and third Saturday of each month). Comments may also be submitted via email at edmestonsupervisor@stny.rr.com.

Date: June 22, 2022 🖨