

**Oneida County Sewer District SSO Mitigation Project  
Steering Committee and Working Group Meetings Summary  
March 13, 2014 -- Whitestown Community Center**

**Part I: Full Steering Committee Meeting**

**I. Acknowledgment of Steering Committee**

Oneida County Executive Anthony J. Picente Jr. welcomed the Steering Committee by recognizing the group's continued dedication and support of the project. County Executive Picente noted that significant progress was made on the project last year due to the collaboration and input at the working group meetings with representation from District communities. He concluded by reminding the committee that, throughout the spring and summer, there will be significant focus placed on preventing private property stormwater from entering the sanitary sewer system. He asked for continued support of the Operation Ripple Effect program to help achieve success and public awareness.

**II. 2013 Progress Report and 2014 Goals**

The consultant team reviewed project advancements in 2013, as well as the goals for 2014. Topics covered included:

- Televising
- Flow Monitoring
- Financing
- Water Pollution Control Plant
- Sauquoit Creek Pump Station/Force Main
- Contracts
- CMOM Working Group
- PPII Working Group
- Public Engagement and Outreach

**Part II: CMOM and PPII Working Groups**

**I. Sherrill Lane PPII Voluntary Resident Survey – Results Review**

Town of New Hartford Highway Superintendent Rick Sherman distributed voluntary surveys to the residents of Sherrill Lane to assess the source of flooding and backup issues in the neighborhood. This survey was developed with the input of the PPII working group.

Of 60 surveys distributed, 21 were submitted via mail and web form. In addition, the consultant team reported that they attended a meeting for affected residents hosted by the Town of New Hartford. The feedback gained through the surveys and residents have been extremely

valuable in identifying potential sources of flooding and backup issues. As surveys continue to be received, the engineering team and Town of New Hartford will work together to devise a solution to alleviate the problem.

**II. Willowbrook Lane PPII Pilot Project – Status Update**

The engineering team reported that it has identified Willowbrook Lane in the Town of Paris as an additional PPII pilot project area. Based on input from the Town, this area was chosen because it is suspected of having a significant number of sump pumps connected to the sanitary sewer.

The consultant team will work with town officials to distribute voluntary resident surveys, analyze inspection data, and if warranted, design a proposed solution to redirect the sump pumps to an appropriate location. The team will update the working groups as this project progresses.

**III. Draft Foodservice and Residential Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG) Brochure – Review**

Draft foodservice and residential FOG brochures were distributed to the group for review.

The public information consultant team reported that they will be meeting with representatives of the Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority (OHSWA) to review the materials as well as identify opportunities for collaboration.

Additional materials, including a door tag and letters, are being developed and will be shared with the group in the future.

**IV. Next meetings:** The CMOM and PPII Work Groups will continue to meet separately in 2014. Working group members will be notified of their next meeting dates and locations. A Public Outreach Committee also will be convened in the near future to advise and assist with public education, especially in relation to Operation Ripple Effect.

Another full Steering Committee meeting is planned for the early fall of 2014.

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**Attendance**

Representatives from the following municipalities were present:

City of Utica

Town of Deerfield

Town of Frankfort

Town of Marcy

Town of New Hartford

Town of Paris

Town of Schuyler

Town of Whitestown

Village of Clayville

Village of Holland Patent

Village of New Hartford

Village of Oriskany

Village of Whitesboro

Village of Yorkville

Representatives from the following municipalities were absent:

Village of New York Mills