

WAYNE COUNTY



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Wayne County Septic Replacement Program

Executive Summary

In August 2017, the State Assembly and Senate allocated funding as part of the \$2.2 billion dollar Source Water Protection Program to improve communities that are affected by ground water contribution to local community water drinking resource, aquifer and lakes. Septic failure is in the top five offenders for water quality impairment. This funding would be distributed across the state based on a formula over five years. The first allocation to Wayne County is \$150,000.00.

The State officials' published this information to the public to contact their local SWCD that fall and people began calling our office. I reached out to the local NYSDEC Region 8 office for more information and found out the funding was being given to the Counties. I met with Rick House and he asked me to meet with Brian Pincelli, Dept. Head of Economic Development & Planning. Brian and I met and decided since the District worked with a program like this in the past that we would help to manage this project for the County on a day to day management basis with oversight from the Water Quality Coordinating Committee (WQCC). This project would give the WQCC new purpose and refresh old discussions for source water protection locally.

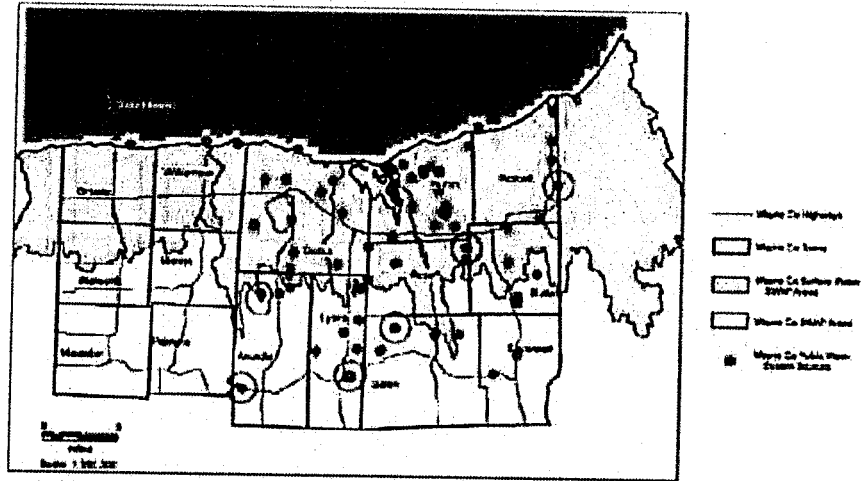
Upon further review, it was discovered that District could not be the contract holder or receive the funds for redistribution to local landowners. The District can perform all the administration, review and approvals of the eligible landowners but would need the County's assistance to receive the funds and then pay the funding.

The Request:

The District is asking the County to act as a cost center; vouchering for the State funding and receiving state funds to pay the local constituents as a reimbursement. The District would hold a subcontract agreement and would act as the conduit for disbursement of the State dollars to local constituents for repair and replacement of their failed septic system.

Program Description: The state contract allocates landowners in approved designated areas up to \$10,000.00 towards septic system replacement at a 50/50 cost share. The designated areas in Wayne County are in association to local area of water quality impairment and NYS DOH SWAP maps. The funding will be distributed in rounds to make sure to reach a concentration of septic systems at a time. The goal of the funding is to remove threats to water quality through improved infrastructure. Other SWCD's local to Wayne are helping their County's manage this program through programmatic administration.

Wayne County Public Water System Source Locations and Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) Areas



Map updated March 21, 2018 by J. Thibault, Bureau of Water Supply Protection, New York State Department of Health, Phone (518) 402-7266

Areas of Concern:

Priority Geographic Area (Currently identified – in approval stage with NYSDEC)

1. Town of Rose, Hamlet of Rose, Sodus Creek
2. Town of Arcadia, Hamlet of Port Gibson, Central Canal Corridor
3. Town of Galen, Village of Clyde, Clyde River
4. Town of Lyons, Village of Lyons – south, Central Canal Corridor
5. Town of Sodus, Village of Sodus, Salmon Creek East
6. East Bay & Watershed
7. Lake Ontario

The first round of \$150,000.00 will be allocated to Town of Rose, Hamlet of Rose, Sodus Creek. The program will be target mailed to eligible landowners. If the amount of applications exceeds the first round funding, the second round of funding will continue to be allocated in that area of concern until the need is exhausted.

Requirements for landowners to participate:

1. In an approved area of concern
2. Within 250 lf of a water course
3. Codes Enforcement Officer has issued an notice of failure
4. Work has been completed with approval by the Codes Enforcement Officer