

Discovery Report Appendix K

Discovery Meeting Summary

North Country Watersheds

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New York, NY

Meeting Summary from North Country Watersheds Meeting (Town of Gouverneur)

Held on Wednesday, September 18th, 2019, 9:00 AM

Attendees:

- James Saffin, Village of Philadelphia
- Jon Storms, Town of Wilna
- Marc McDonell, Town of Lisbon
- Larry Atkinson, Town of Pitcairn
- Glen Besaw, Town of Fowler
- David Spilman Jr., Town of Gouverneur
- Thomas Pahler, Town of Colton
- Ronald McDoughall, Village of Gouverneur
- Darren Richards, Town of Colton
- Shu Rahman, Federal Emergency Management Agency
- Kelli Higgins-Roche, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
- Mary Martin, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
- Brad Wenskoski, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
- Dave Sherman, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
- Phil Hipley, Dewberry
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- Overview and purpose of the meeting

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- Risk MAP Program overview
- Risk MAP Discovery process, products, and results
- North Country Watersheds overview
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- Stakeholder feedback and engagement

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Meeting Summary from North Country Watersheds Meeting (Village of Potsdam)

Held on Wednesday, September 18th, 2019, 2:15 PM

Attendees:

- Susan Wood, Town of Hopkinton
- Clark Decker, Town of Stockholm
- Mark Peets, Town of Brasher
- Kamal Humagain, SUNY Potsdam
- Adam Pearson, SUNY Potsdam
- Fred Hanss, Village of Potsdam
- Jason Pfoptenhauer, St. Lawrence County Planning Office
- Shu Rahman, Federal Emergency Management Agency
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Attendees:

- Robert Forbes, Town of Brasher
- Russell Lawrence, Town of Oswegatchie
- Andrea Smith, City of Ogdensburg
- Gregg Malletto, City of Ogdensburg
- Laura Ortiz, United States Army Core of Engineers
- Shu Rahman, Federal Emergency Management Agency
- Kelli Higgins-Roche, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
- Mary Martin, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
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- James Dumont, Towns of Burke, Bellmont, and Chateaugay
- Derek Comins, Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe
- John Bashaw, Franklin County Office of Emergency Services
- Andrea Stewart, Town of Malone
- Richard Onufer, Town of Constable
- Cheryl Cook, Village of Malone
- Chastity Miller, Franklin County Soil and Water
- Glen Cutter, Clinton County
- Tess Grubb, Contractor
- Shu Rahman, Federal Emergency Management Agency
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