

Section VI - State Actions and Programs Likely to Affect Implementation of the LWRP

A. State Programs which should be undertaken in a manner consistent with the LWRP

State actions and programs will affect the Little Falls WRA. Under State law, certain State actions within or affecting the WRA must be consistent with or be consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the policies and purposes of the LWRP.

This section identifies the actions and programs of State agencies which should be undertaken in a manner consistent with the LWRP. Pursuant to the State Waterfront Revitalization of Coastal Areas and Inland Waterways Act (Executive Law, Article 42), the Secretary of State individually and separately notifies affected State agencies of those actions and programs which are to be undertaken in a manner consistent with approved LWRP's. The list of actions and programs listed here is for informational purposes, and includes only these actions and programs that could be expected to impact the Little Falls Waterfront. This list does not represent or substitute for the required identification and notification procedures. The complete and official list of actions and programs subject to State consistency requirements may be obtained from the NYS Department of State.

OFFICE FOR THE AGING

- 1.00 Funding and/or approval programs for the establishment of new or expanded facilities providing various services for the elderly.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS

- 1.00 Agricultural Districts Program
- 2.00 Rural Development Program
- 3.00 Farm Worker Services Programs
- 4.00 Permit and Approval Programs:
 - 4.01 Custom Slaughters/Processor Permit
 - 4.02 Processing Plant License
 - 4.03 Refrigerated Warehouse and/or Locker Plant License

DIVISION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL/STATE LIQUOR AUTHORITY

- 1.00 Permit and Approval Programs including:
 - 1.01 Ball Park - Stadium License
 - 1.02 Bottle Club License

- 1.03 Bottling Permits
- 1.04 Brewer’s Licenses and Permits
- 1.05 Brewer’s Retail Beer License
- 1.06 Catering Establishment Liquor License
- 1.07 Cider Producer’s and Wholesaler’s Licenses
- 1.08 Club Beer, Liquor, and Wine Licenses
- 1.09 Distiller’s Licenses
- 1.10 Drug Store, Eating Place, and Grocery Store Beer Licenses
- 1.11 Farm Winery and Winery Licenses
- 1.12 Hotel Beer, Wine, and Liquor Licenses
- 1.13 Industrial Alcohol Manufacturer’s Permits
- 1.14 Liquor Store License
- 1.15 On-Premises Liquor Licenses
- 1.16 Plenary Permit (Miscellaneous-Annual)
- 1.17 Summer Beer and Liquor Licenses
- 1.18 Tavern/Restaurant and Restaurant Wine Licenses
- 1.19 Vessel Beer and Liquor Licenses
- 1.20 Warehouse Permit
- 1.21 Wine Store License
- 1.22 Winter Beer and Liquor Licenses
- 1.23 Wholesale Beer, Wine, and Liquor Licenses.

DIVISION OF ALCOHOLISM AND ALCOHOL ABUSE

- 1.00 Facilities, construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition of the funding of such activities.
- 2.00 Permit and approval programs related to alcoholism facilities, community residences and outpatient facilities.

COUNCIL ON THE ARTS

- 1.00 Construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition or the funding of arts-related facilities.
- 2.00 Architecture and environmental arts programs.

DEPARTMENT OF BANKING

- 1.00 Permit and approval programs including authorization certificates applicable to banks, credit unions, foreign banking corporations, investment companies, savings and loan associations, trust companies, safe deposit companies, and branches of these entities.
- 2.00 Licensing as a Lender.
- 3.00 Licensing for a Foreign Banking Corporation Branch.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

- 1.00 Facilities construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition or the funding of such activities.

DORMITORY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

- 1.00 Financing of higher education and health care facilities.
- 2.00 Planning and design services assistance program.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- 1.00 Preparation or revision of statewide or specific plans to address State economic development needs.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

- 1.00 Construction, rehabilitation, expansion, demolition or the funding of educational facilities.
- 2.00 Permit and approval programs related to private business school registration, drug manufacturing and wholesaling, and private school licensing.

EMPIRE STATE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES

- 1.00 Acquisition, disposition, lease, grant of easement of other activities related to the management of land under the jurisdiction of the Corporation.
- 2.00 Planning, development, financing, construction, major renovation or expansion of commercial, industrial, and civic facilities and the provision of technical assistance or financing for such activities, including, but not limited to, actions under its discretionary economic development programs such as the following:
 - (a) Tax-Exempt Financing Program
 - (b) Lease Collateral Program
 - (c) Lease Financial Program
 - (d) Targeted Investment Program
 - (e) Industrial Buildings Recycling Program
- 3.00 Administration of special projects.
- 4.00 Administration of State-funded capital grant programs.

NEW YORK STATE ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

- 1.00 Issuance of revenue bonds to finance pollution abatement modifications in power-generation facilities and various energy projects.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

- 1.00 Acquisition, disposition, lease, grant of easement and other activities related to the management of lands under the jurisdiction of the Department.
- 2.00 Classification of Waters Program and classification of land areas under the Clean Air Act.
- 3.00 Facilities construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition or the funding of such activities.
- 4.00 Implementation of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993 and the Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act of 1996, including financial assistance /grant programs.
- 5.00 Permit and approval programs in the following areas:
 - 5.01 Air Resources
 - 5.02 Construction Management
 - 5.03 Fish and Wildlife
 - 5.04 Lands and Forests
 - 5.05 Regulatory Affairs
 - 5.06 Solid Wastes
 - 5.07 Water Resources.

ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION

- 1.00 Industrial Finance and Financial Assistance to Business Programs.
- 2.00 Clean Water State Revolving Fund for Water Pollution Control:
 - 2.01 Point Source Projects
 - 2.02 Nonpoint Source Projects.

FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

- 1.0 Facilities construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition or the funding of such activities.

OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES

- 1.00 Administration of the Public Lands Law for acquisition and disposition of lands, grants of land and grants of easement of land under water, issuance of licenses for removal of materials from lands under water, and oil and gas leases for exploration and development.

- 2.00 Administration of Article 4-B, Public Buildings Law, in regard to the protection and management of State historic and cultural properties and State uses of buildings of historic, architectural or cultural significance.
- 3.00 Facilities construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition.
 - 4.00 Administration of Article 5, Section 233, Sub 5 of the Education Law on removal of archeological and paleontological objects under the waters of State water bodies.
 - 5.00 Administration of Article 3, Section 32 of the Navigation Law regarding location of structures in or on navigable waters.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

- 1.00 Construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition or the funding of health related facilities.
- 2.00 Permit and approval programs including: operating certificates related to diagnostic and treatment centers, hospitals, hospices and health related facilities; and permits to operate day camps, food service establishments, temporary residences and hold mass gatherings.

DIVISION OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES

- 1.00 Construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition of public housing facilities.
- 2.00 Financial assistance/grant programs including Section 8 programs, the HOME program, Housing Development Fund programs and other housing related assistance programs.
- 3.00 Preparation and implementation of plans to address housing and community renewal needs.

HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

- 1.00 Funding programs for the construction, rehabilitation, or expansion of facilities.
- 2.00 Affordable Housing Corporation.

JOB DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

- 1.00 Financing assistance programs for commercial and industrial facilities.

MEDICAL CARE FACILITIES FINANCING AGENCY

- 1.00 Financing of medical care facilities.

OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH

- 1.00 Construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition or the funding of mental health facilities.
- 2.00 Permit and approval programs related to community residences, family care homes, inpatient facilities and outpatient facilities.

OFFICE OF MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENT DISABILITIES

- 1.00 Construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition or the funding of mental retardation and development disabilities facilities.

- 2.00 Permit and approval programs related to establishment and construction of community residences and outpatient facilities.

DIVISION OF MILITARY AND NAVAL AFFAIRS

- 1.00 Preparation and implementation of the State Disaster Preparedness Plan.

NATURAL HERITAGE TRUST

- 1.00 Funding program for natural heritage institutions.

OFFICE OF PARKS, RECREATION AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

(INCLUDING REGIONAL STATE PARK COMMISSIONS)

- 1.00 Acquisition, disposition, lease, and grant of easement or other activities related to the management of land under the jurisdiction of the Office.
- 2.00 Construction, rehabilitation, expansion or demolition or the funding of recreation activities and/or projects funded through the Environmental Protection Funds or Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act.
- 3.00 Programs related to recreational boating, safety and enforcement.
- 4.00 Programs for and related to State and local historic preservation projects.
- 5.00 Grants available through the Environmental Protection Fund and Land and Water Conservation Fund.
- 6.00 Nomination of properties to the Federal and/or State Register of Historic Places.
- 7.00 Permit and Approval Programs:
 - (a) Floating Objects Permit
 - (b) Marine Regatta Permit
 - (c) Navigation Aide Permit
 - (d) Posting of Signs Outside State Parks.
- 8.00 Preparation and revision of the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan and the Statewide Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan and other plans for public access, recreation, historic preservation or related purposes.
- 9.00 Recreation services program.
- 10.00 Heritage Areas System Programs and activities.

POWER AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

- 1.00 Acquisition, disposition, lease, grant of easement and other activities related to the management of land under the jurisdiction of the Authority.
- 2.00 Facilities construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition.

NEW YORK STATE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOUNDATION

- 1.00 Corporation for Innovation Development Program.
- 2.00 Center for Advanced Technology Program.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

- 1.00 Construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition or the funding of social service facilities.
- 2.00 Homeless Housing and Assistance Program.
- 3.00 Permit and approval programs related to adult residential care facilities, children's services, homes for adults, special care homes and day care facilities.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

- 1.00 Appalachian Regional Development Program.
- 2.00 Coastal Management Program and grants available through the Environmental Protection Fund.
- 3.00 Community Services Block Grant Program.
- 4.00 Permit and approval programs related to billiard room licenses and compliance with Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code.

STATE UNIVERSITY CONSTRUCTION FUND

- 1.00 Construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition or the funding of State university facilities.

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

- 1.00 Acquisition, disposition, lease, grant of easement and other activities related to the management of land under the jurisdiction of the University.
- 2.00 Construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition or the funding of State University facilities.

DIVISION OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES

- 1.00 Construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition or the funding of substance abuse facilities.
- 2.00 Permit and approval programs related to substance abuse services.

THRUWAY AUTHORITY/CANAL CORPORATION/CANAL RECREATIONWAY COMMISSION

- 1.00 Acquisition, disposition, lease, grant of easement and other activities related to the management of land and other resources under the jurisdiction of the Thruway Authority, Canal Corporation, and/or Canal Recreationway Commission.
- 2.00 Facilities construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition.
- 3.00 Permit and approval programs related to the use of Canal System lands and waters, advertising devices, and the transport of radioactive waste and materials.

4.00 Statewide Canal Recreationway Plan.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

- 1.00 Acquisition, disposition, lease, grant of easement and other activities related to the management of land under the jurisdiction of the Department.
- 2.00 Construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition of facilities, including but not limited to:
 - (a) Highways and parkways
 - (b) Bridges on the State highways system
 - (c) Highway and parkway maintenance facilities
 - (d) Rail facilities.
- 3.00 Financial assistance/grant programs including:
 - 3.01 Funding programs for construction/reconstruction and reconditioning/preservation of municipal streets and highways (excluding routine maintenance and minor rehabilitation).
 - 3.02 Funding programs for rehabilitation and replacement of municipal bridges.
 - 3.03 Subsidies program for marginal branchlines abandoned by CSX.
 - 3.04 Subsidies program for passenger rail service.
- 4.00 Permits and approval programs related to rural and small urban transit grants; design, construction and rehabilitation of maintenance and storage facilities; operation of major petroleum facilities; outdoor advertising; use of State owned property.
- 5.00 Preparation or revision of the Statewide Master Plan for Transportation and sub-area or special plans and studies related to the transportation needs of the State.
- 6.00 Water Operation and Maintenance Programs including activities related to the containment of petroleum spills and development of an emergency oil-spill control network.

DIVISION OF YOUTH

- 1.00 Construction, rehabilitation, expansion, or demolition or the funding or approval of youth related facilities.

B. State Programs necessary to further the LWRP

New York State can and should play a vital role in the implementation of the Little Falls Local Waterfront Revitalization Program. State funding programs, technical assistance, and support are needed to help the City achieve comprehensive waterfront redevelopment and practice sound waterfront management. The following paragraphs describe the State programs and assistance necessary to further the LWRP.

1. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION (DEC)

All projects involving development along the waterfront, within flood hazard areas, and in areas where environmental sensitivity is critical, will involve the Department of Environmental Conservation. The improvement of the Mohawk River Park and Boat Launch and development of the Canal Recreationway Trail (Canalway Trail) are projects that require DEC input and assistance. The development of Loomis Island and any enhancement to Moss Island should also involve the DEC in planning and implementation. While OPRHP is the State agency most involved and responsible for recreation projects across the State, the DEC, DOS and Canal Corporation, must play key planning and financing roles in Little Falls.

The NYS DEC must also have a role in the upgrade of wastewater treatment facilities in the City through the NYS Environmental Protection Fund, and/or Clean Water/Clean Air Bond Act. The NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) can also provide funds through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund to improve wastewater treatment facilities in the City.

2. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (DOS)

Various projects included in this LWRP are appropriate for implementation assistance through Title 11: Local Waterfront Revitalization Program Grants of the NYS Environmental Protection Fund administered by the Department of State/Division of Coastal Resources.

Projects appropriate for future funding consideration through DOS include: waterfront trail development; access improvements and landing sites along the Mohawk River; and Whitewater and general park development projects, including improvements to Columbus Park, Mohawk River Park, the Lock 17 Lock Park, and Sterziner Park. DOS funds may also be very appropriate to advance public education and interpretive projects in the Little Falls WRA. Finally, DOS/LWRP funding to prepare detailed plans for Loomis Island development and/or Moss Island enhancements would help further the LWRP in future years.

3. NYS THRUWAY AUTHORITY/CANAL CORPORATION

The Canal Corporation is preparing to develop plans for the Little Falls Canal Harbor proposed for the terminal building site on Southern Avenue. In addition to this project, the Canal Corporation should be involved in the planning and financing of improvements at Benton's Landing, Lock 17, and Moss Island, as well as Southern Avenue improvements to enhance the Canal Harbor project.

The extension of the Canalway Trail from its present terminus at West Shore Drive through the City should also involve the Canal Corporation.

4. OFFICE OF PARKS, RECREATION AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

The Little Falls LWRP includes a variety of outdoor recreation projects appropriate for funding assistance through the EPF and/or Clean Water/ Clean Air Bond Act of 1996.

Park improvements appropriate for OPRHP assistance include: trail and water access development projects; improvements to Columbus Park, the Mohawk River Park, the Lock 17 Lock Park, and Sterziner

Park; the development of public recreation facilities on Loomis Island; the enhancement of Moss Island; and the development of the East Main Street Park.

The OPRHP should also have a role in several historic preservation projects, including restoration of the Mohawk Mill and development of a Canal Interpretive Center in the Mill or other WRA location. The development of Benton's Landing, as well as the upgrading of the 1797 Inland Lock and Navigation Company Lock, could also utilize OPRHP technical as well as financial assistance.

5. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (DED) AND EMPIRE STATE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (ESDC)

Loan and grant assistance from DED and/or ESDC may be needed in support of the efforts to improve the older industrial buildings in the WRA, and to assist local businesses and industries in economic development projects. The LWRP has recognized the need to retain and expand the industrial base within the City to promote appropriate diversity and year-round uses in the core area of the WRA. While the City has Canal Corridor Initiative funds available to assist businesses and industries in the WRA, State assistance may also be necessary and appropriate on a case-by-case basis.

6. OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES

The City has included the development of a Whitewater Park in the LWRP. The development of this park, or any facility involving underwater or formerly underwater lands, will involve contacting the OGS to determine the State's interest in these lands and receipt of an authorization to use or occupy the lands as appropriate.

7. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The reconstruction of the Route 167 Bridge, which spans a significant portion of the waterfront, will impact Canal Place redevelopment; access to waterfront areas; access to and from canal resources as well as to and from the South Side area; and how the Canalway Trail is linked to the Canal Harbor. This project will also significantly impact Columbus Park, adjacent to the bridge and Route 167 on the South Side.

The planning and implementation of this major project, as well as other transportation projects (Route 169 Corridor Improvement Project, for example), will require close coordination with DOT. DOT funding through ISTEA, the Industrial Access Program, and other revenue sources will be needed to implement key transportation projects in the WRA, including: improvement of Route 169 north of Main Street; improvement of Industrial Park Drive; creating an access road to the proposed Route 167 Business Park; improvement of the Lock Street rail crossing; and, in the future, construction of an overpass linking the CBD with Canal Place as a replacement for the existing underpass. DOT technical and financial assistance will also be needed if the City modifies the current one-way street configuration on Main Street, and/or attempts to underground utility lines along Route 169 between Western Park and Canal Place.