

ONEIDA COUNTY OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

ANTHONY J. PICENTE, JR. County Executive ce@ocgov.net

DESIGNATION OF CERTIFYING OFFICER AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY CERTIFICATION

03/28/2024					
(Date)					
Scott LaMountain (Name of OCR Community/Economic Developer)					
Office of Community Renewal					
Hampton Plaza					
38-40 State Street, 4th Floor					
Albany, New York 12207					
RE: CDBG Project Number: CFA#	<u>:</u> 1 <u>34956</u>				
Dear Mr. LaMountain:					
I, Anthony J. Picente, Jr. (Name of Chief Elected Of	ficial)	the	authorized	signatory	for
County of Oneida		do attest that	t:		
(Name of CDBG Recipient)		_			
 I understand that any projects National Environmental Policy 58. 					
 I understand that, except for act and NYS Office of Community occur nor can funds for those occur nor can funds for those occur clearance letter from the Housin sites, site-specific reviews are counanticipated impacts nor impenvironmental clearance letter a 	y Renewal procedures activities be committee ing Trust Fund Corpor completed for which to acts not adequately	s), no physical or expender ation and, for the Certifying addressed in	al alteration to ed until receipt of any subsequent Officer determine the program re	individual site of an environn ly identified sp ines that there	nental pecific are no
 I understand that should any pa be expended prior to receiving eligible for CDBG funding and 	the appropriate environments the County of Onei	ironmental c da	learances, that	the site will n	ot be
may be responsible for any conservation activities, concurrence is Exempt prior to any physical in which case concurrence must an event,	from the NYS Office alterations unless that	of Communi action is take	ty Renewal that en to address an	the particular emergency sit	action uation
I also notify you that <u>Anthony J.</u>	Picente, Jr.		C	ounty Executive	, is
	(Name of Certifying Of		1	(Title)	
designated as the <i>Certifying Operation</i>	mpleted in conjun				
	-		NYS CDBC	i project ni	ımber
(CDBG Project Number)	rded to County of Or	(Name of CDBG Rec	cipient)		
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Signature of Chief Edward Official					
Signature of Cipera sected Official				*	

Anthony J. Picente, Jr., County Executive

FORM 2-3

CERTIFICATION OF NEPA CLASSIFICATION

CDBG Project Number: 134956 Date 03/28/2024
Name and Title of Certifying Officer: Anthony J. Picente, Jr. Title County Executive
Name of Responsible Entity: County of Oneida
Address (e.g., Street No. or P.O. Box): 800 Park Avenue
Co/C/T/V, State, Zip Code+4: <u>Utica</u> NY <u>13501-2939</u>
Telephone Number of Responsible Entity: (315) 798-5800
It is the finding of the County of Oneida that the activity(ies) proposed in its 2024 Funding Year NYS CDBG Name of CDBG Grant Recipient
project, Oneida County Microenterprise Grant Program are:
Check the applicable classification:
Exempt as defined in 24 CFR 58.34 (a).
■ Categorically Excluded as defined in 24 CFR 58.35(b).
Categorically Excluded as defined in 24 CFR 58.35(a) and no activities are affected by federal environmental statutes and executive orders [i.e., exempt under 58.34(a)(12)].
☐ Categorically Excluded as defined in 24 CFR 58.35(a) and some activities are affected by federal environmental statutes and executive orders.
If neither exempt (24 CFR 58.34(a) nor categorically excluded (24 CFR 58.35(a) and (b) can be checked, Form 2-6 Environmental Assessment will be required.
Part or all of the project is located in an area identified as a floodplain or wetland. For projects located in a floodplain or wetland, evidence of compliance with Executive Orders 11988 and/or 11990 is required.
Affidavit of publication for Early Notice and Public Review of Proposed Activity Located in the 100 Year Floodplain attached
Affidavit of publication for Final Notice and Public Explanation of Proposed Activity Located in the 100 Year Floodplain attached
Stemature of Certifying Officer

FORM 2-3A CERTIFICATION OF SEQRA CLASSIFICATION

CDBG Project Number: CFA #: 134956 Date 3/28/24	· Evenutive
Name and Title of Certifying Officer: Anthony J. Picente, Jr. Title County	y Executive
Name of Responsible Entity: County of Oneida	
Address (e.g., Street No. or P.O. Box): 800 Park Avenue	1
Co/C/T/V, State, Zip Code+4: Utica	NY_135012939
Telephone Number of Responsible Entity: (315) 798-5800	
It is the finding of the County of Oneida that the activity(ies) proposed in its Project, Oneida County Microenterprise Grant Program are:	2024 Funding Year NYS CDBG
Check the applicable classification:	
□ Type I Action (6NYCRR Section 617.4) □ Identify the Lead Agency □ Evidence of Lead Agency Declaration and Consent attached □ Copy of Environmental Notices Bulletin attached □ Type II Action (6NYCRR Section 617.5) For SEQR Type II classification, as Certifying Officer, I understand that any projec part with NYS CDBG funds must be assessed in accordance with the State Enreview Act (SEQRA) 6NYCRRSection 617.5 (c). The County of Oneida has reviewed the scope of work for the above referenced CDBG grant and determin classified as Type II. □ Unlisted Action (not Type I or Type II Action)	vironmental Quality
Check if applicable: Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Prepared	
☐ Draft EIS	
☐ Final EIS	
Signature of Certifying Officer Anthony J. Picente, Jr.	

Form 2-4 NEPA Classification Checklist

CDBG	Project Number: <u>CFA #: 134956</u> Date <u>03/28/20</u>	024
Name a	nd Title of Certifying Officer: Anthony J. Picente, Jr.	Title County Executive
	f Responsible Entity: County of Oneida	
	s (e.g., Street No. or P.O. Box): 800 Park Avenue	
Co/C/T	V, State, Zip Code+4: Utica	NY 13501-2939
Telepho	one Number of Responsible Entity: (315) 798-5800	
		ies (24CFR58.34) of the following that apply:
	Environmental and other studies, resource identification	and development of plans and strategies [58.34(a)(1)].
	Information and financial services [58.34(a)(2)].	
\checkmark	Administration and management activities [58.34(a)(3)]].
	Public services that will not have a physical impact employment, crime prevention, child care, health, drug recreational needs [58.34(a)(4)].	or result in physical changes, such as services concerned with abuse, education, counseling, energy conservation and welfare or
	Inspections and testing of properties for hazards or defe	ects [58.34(a)(5)].
	Purchase of insurance [58.34(a)(6)].	
	Purchase of tools [58.34(a)(7)].	
	Engineering or design costs [58.34(a)(8)].	
\Box	Technical assistance and training [58.34(a)(9)].	
	Assistance for temporary or permanent improvement protection, repair or restoration activities necessary only threats or physical deterioration [58.34(a)(10)].	is that do not alter environmental conditions and are limited to y to control or arrest the effects from physical disasters, imminent
	Payment of principal and interest on loans made or obli	gations guaranteed by HUD [58.34(a)(11)].
	Any of the categorical exclusions listed in 58.35(a), pu with any other federal laws and authorities cited in 58.5	rovided that there are no circumstances which require compliance [58.34(a)(12].
Signatu	treent from Officer	

Form 2-4 NEPA Classification Checklist

CATEGORICALLY EXCLUDED ACTIVITIES [24 CFR 58.35(b)]

Activities in this section require compliance with related laws and authorities at 24 CFR 58.6 only*

Select only one of the following: Tenant-based rental assistance [58.35(b)(1)]. Supportive services including, but not limited to, health care, housing services, permanent housing placement, day care, nutritional services, short-term payments for rent/mortgage/utility costs, and assistance in gaining access to local, state and federal government benefits and services [58.35(b)(2)]. Operating costs including maintenance, equipment, supplies, staff training, staff recruitment, security, operation, utilities, furnishings and other incidental costs [58.35(b)(3)]. Economic development activities, including but not limited to, equipment purchase, inventory financing, interest subsidy, operating expenses and similar costs not associated with construction or expansion of existing operations [58.35(b)(4)]. Activities to assist homebuyers to purchase existing dwelling units or dwelling units under construction**, including closing costs and down payment assistance, interest buy downs, and similar activities that result in the transfer of title [58.35(b)(5)]. Affordable housing pre-development costs including legal, consulting, developer and other costs related to obtaining site options, project financing, administrative costs and fees for loan commitments, zoning approvals, and other related activities which do not have a physical impact [58.35(b)(6)]. Approval of supplemental assistance (including insurance or guarantee) to a project previously approved under this part, if the approval is made by the same responsible entity that conducted the environmental review on the original project and re-evaluation of the environmental finding is not required under 58.47 [58.35(b)(7)]. *If a responsible entity determines that an activity or project identified above, because of extraordinary circumstances or conditions at or affecting the location of the activity or project may have a significant environmental effect, an environmental assessment must be prepared and a determination of significance made. **This exclusion applies only to financial assistance for purchase of existing for-sale homes or homes under construction. Homebuyer assistance for units not under construction is classified as Categorically Excluded. In all cases, for this exclusion to apply, the prospective buyer must have discretion regarding selection of properties within the target area.

Signature of Certifying Officer

Form 2-4 NEPA Classification Checklist

CATEGORICALLY EXCLUDED ACTIVITIES [24 CFR 58.35(a)]

 $Activities\ in\ this\ section\ require\ compliance\ with\ related\ laws\ and\ authorities\ at\ 24\ CFR\ 58.5\ and\ 58.6$

Select only one of the following:

	Acquisition, repair, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or installation of public facilities and improvements (other than buildings) when the facilities and improvements are in place and will be retained in the same use without change in size or capacity of more than 20 percent. Examples of this type of activity include replacement of water and sewer lines, reconstruction of curbs and sidewalks, street repaving [58.35(a)(1)].
	Special projects directed to the removal of material and architectural barriers that restrict the mobility of and accessibility to elderly and handicapped persons [58.35(a)(2)].
	Rehabilitation of buildings and improvements for residential use (with one to four units), where the density is not increased beyond four units, the land use is not changed, and the footprint of the building isn't increased in a floodplain or in a wetland [58.35(a)(3)(i)].
	Rehabilitation of multifamily residential buildings (with five or more units), when the following conditions are met: a) unit density is not changed more than 20 percent, b) the project does not involve changes in land use from residential to non-residential; and c) the estimated cost of rehabilitation is less than 75 percent of the total estimated cost of replacement after rehabilitation [58.35(a)(3)(ii)].
	Rehabilitation of non-residential structures, including commercial, industrial, and public buildings when the following conditions are met: a) the facilities and improvements are in place and will not be changed in size or capacity by more than 20 percent, and b) the activity does not involve a change in land use, such as from non-residential to residential, commercial to industrial or from one industrial use to another [58.35(a)(3)(iii)].
	An individual action on up to four dwelling units [not including rehabilitation (see 58.35(a)(3)(i) above)] where there is a maximum of four units on any one site. The units can be four one-unit buildings or one four-unit building or any combination in between [58.35(a)(4)(i)].
	Acquisition (including leasing) or disposition of an existing structure, equity loans on an existing structure, or acquisition (including leasing) of vacant land provided that the structure or land acquired, financed or disposed of will be retained for the same use [58.35(a)(5)].
	Any combination of the above activities [58.35(a)(6)].
Signatu	re of Certifying Officer

Form 2-6 Environmental Assessment Determinations and Compliance Findings for HUD-assisted Projects 24 CFR Part 58

Project Informatio	<u>n</u>				
Project Name & C	DBG No.: On	neida Cou	nty Microenterprise Grant Progra	nm CFA #: 134956	=
Responsible Entity: Oneida County					
Grant Recipient: _	Oneida County	/			_
State/Local Identif	ier: <u>CFA</u> #: 13	34956			_
Preparer: Amy He	eiderich				_
Certifying Officer	Name and Tit	tle: Anth	ony J. Picente, Jr. County Execut	rive	_
Consultant (if appl	icable):				_
			artment of Planning Union Static		t
Project Location:	Various location	ns througho	nt Oneida County		
Description of the	Proposed Pro	ject [24	CFR 50.12 & 58.32; 40 CFR 150	8.25]:	
expansion. Eligible mic	rocnterprises mus	st be or shal	ncial assistance to small existing compani become a commercial enterprise with five t four new jobs will be created and six mi	c or less employees. Eligible	uses of the funding will be for capital
Statement of Purpo	ose and Need	for the F	roposal [40 CFR 1508.9(b)]:		
credit as well as physica	al collateral. Grant	ts from this	encounter barriers to raising capital duri program are aimed to provide businesses velopment organizations and municipaliti	with the opportunity to leverage	
Existing Condition	s and Trends	[24 CFR	58.40(a)]:		
			de in stabilizing itself economically, and a County a world leader in several sectors		
Funding Informati					
Grant Nun	iber	Federal/State/Other Program			Funding Amount
	CDBG \$200,000 Equity \$17,100				
Estimated Total H	UD Funded A	amount:	\$200,000		
Estimated Total Pi	oject Cost (H	IUD and	ion-HUD funds) [24 CFR 58.32(d)]:	

\$217,000

Compliance with 24 CFR 50.4, 58.5, and 58.6 Laws and Authorities

The Responsible Entity has conducted a review for each of the compliance factors listed below and determined whether the activity affects the resources under consideration or whether formal compliance steps or mitigation is required. All compliance source documentation regarding the necessary reviews or consultation is attached to the Checklist and included in the ERR.

Compliance Factors: Statutes, Executive Orders, and Regulations listed at 24 CFR §58.5 and §58.6	Are formal compliance steps or mitigation required?	Compliance determinations
STATUTES, EXECUTIVE ORDER	S, AND REGULAT	TIONS LISTED AT 24 CFR 50.4 and 58.6
Airport Hazards 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart D	Yes No	See attchment
Coastal Barrier Resources Coastal Barrier Resources Act, as amended by the Coastal Barrier Improvement Act of 1990 [16 USC 3501]	Yes No	See attachment
Flood Insurance Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 [42 USC 4001- 4128 and 42 USC 5154a]	Yes No	See attachment
Clean Air Clean Air Act, as amended, particularly section 176(c) & (d); 40 CFR Parts 6, 51, 93	Yes No	See attachment
Coastal Zone Management Coastal Zone Management Act, sections 307(c) & (d)	Yes No	See attachment
Contamination and Toxic Substances 24 CFR Part 50.3(i) & 58.5(i)(2)	Yes No	See attachment
Endangered Species Endangered Species Act of 1973, particularly section 7; 50 CFR Part 402	Yes No	See attachment
Explosive and Flammable Hazards 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C	Yes No	See attachment
Farmlands Protection Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981, particularly sections 1504(b) and 1541; 7 CFR Part 658	Yes No	See attachment
Floodplain Management Executive Order 11988, particularly section 2(a); 24 CFR Part 55	Yes No	See attachment
Historic Preservation National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, particularly sections 106 and 110; 36 CFR Part 800	Yes No	See attachment

Noise Abatement and Control Noise Control Act of 1972, as amended by the Quiet Communities Act of 1978; 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart B	Yes No	See attachment
Sole Source Aquifers Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, particularly section 1424(e); 40 CFR Part 149	Yes No	See attachment
Wetlands Protection Executive Order 11990, particularly sections 2 and 5	Yes No	See attachment
Wild and Scenic Rivers Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, particularly section 7(b) and (c)	Yes No	See attachment
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE		
Environmental Justice Executive Order 12898	Yes No	See attachment

Environmental Assessment Factors [24 CFR 58.40; Ref. 40 CFR 1508.8 &1508.27] NYSHCR has recorded below the qualitative and quantitative significance of the effects of the proposal on the character, features and resources of the project area. Each factor has been evaluated and documented, as appropriate and in proportion to its relevance to the proposed action. Verifiable source documentation has been provided and described in support of each determination, as appropriate. Credible, traceable and supportive source documentation for each authority has been provided. Where applicable, the necessary reviews or consultations have been completed and applicable permits of approvals have been obtained or noted. Citations, dates/names/titles of contacts, and page references are clear. Additional documentation is attached, as appropriate. All conditions, attenuation or mitigation measures have been clearly identified.

Impact Codes: Use an impact code from the following list to make the determination of impact for each factor.

- (1) Minor beneficial impact
- (2) No impact anticipated
- (3) Minor Adverse Impact May require mitigation
- (4) Significant or potentially significant impact requiring avoidance or modification which may require an Environmental Impact Statement

Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation	
LAND DEVELOPMENT			
Conformance with Plans / Compatible Land Use and Zoning / Scale and Urban Design	2	See attachment	
Soil Suitability/ Slope/ Erosion/ Drainage/ Storm Water Runoff	2	See attachment	
Hazards and Nuisances including Site Safety and Noise	2	See attachment	
Energy Consumption	1 or 2	In the instance of a new equipment purchase by the grantee, there could be a chance for decrea	
Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code	Impact Evaluation	
SOCIOECONOMIC			
Employment and Income Patterns	1	See attachment	
Demographic Character Changes, Displacement	2	See attachment	

Environmental Assessment Factor	Impact Code		Impact Evaluation
COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND S	SERVICES		
Educational and Cultural Facilities	2	See attachment	
Commercial Facilities	2	Sec attachment	
Health Care and Social Services	2	See attachment	
Solid Waste Disposal / Recycling	2	See attachment	
Waste Water / Sanitary Sewers	2	See attachment	
Water Supply	2	See attachment	
Public Safety - Police, Fire and Emergency Medical	2	Sec attachment	
Parks, Open Space and Recreation	2	See attachment	
Transportation and Accessibility	2	See attachment	
Environmental Assessment Factor NATURAL FEATURES	[Impact Code]	Impact Evaluation
Unique Natural Features, Water Resources	2	See attachment	
Vegetation, Wildlife	2	See attachment	
Other Factors	2	See attachment	
Additional Studies Performed:			
N/A			
Field Inspection (Date and completed b	w).		
N/A	y)•		
IVA			
List of Sources, Agencies and Persons	Consulted [40 CF	R 1508.9(b)]:	
N/A			
List of Permits Obtained:			
N/A			
Public Outreach [24 CFR 50.23 & 58.4	3]:		
Public outreach will be conducted after award is a	announced.		
Cumulative Impact Analysis [24 CFR	58 321•		
	JU,J4]•		
N/A			

Alternatives [24 CFR 58.40(e); 40 CFR 150	18.9]	
N/A		
No Action Alternative [24 CFR 58.40(e)]:	"	
N/A		
Summary of Findings and Conclusions:		
N/A		
Mitigation Measures and Conditions [40 C	CFR 1505.2(c)] n measures adopted by the Responsible Entity to r	educe avoid or eliminate adverse
environmental impacts and to avoid non-	compliance or non-conformance with the above-list	sted authorities and factors. These
	nto project contracts, development agreements, and or mitigation measures should be clearly identified in the	
Law, Authority, or Factor	Mitigation Measure	
N/A	N/A	
Determination:		
Finding of No Significant Impact	[24 CFR 58.40(g)(1); 40 CFR 1508.27]	
	impact on the quality of the human environment.	
Finding of Significant Impact [24	CFR 58.40(g)(2); 40 CFR 1508.27]	
The project may significantly affect the qu		
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Preparer Signature:	Lechal V	Date: 4/1/2024
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Name/Title/Organization: Amy Heiderich, S	Senior Planner, Oneida County	
Certifying Officer Signature:		
Certifying Officer Signature.		Date: 42-24
Name/Title: Anthony J. Picente, Jr.		
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	upporting material must be retained on file by the Resect (ref: 24 CFR Part 58.38) and in accordance with	

HUD program(s).

New York State Community Development Block Grant Program Oneida County 2024 Microenterprise Grant Program Environmental Review Record

Exhibit 2-6 Attachment to Form 2-6 Statutory Checklist

Airport Hazards

Not Applicable to this Project: The program will be carried out in predominantly commercial or residential areas. No increase in unit density will occur as a result of activities undertaken by this program. Mohawk Valley EDGE does screen each property when chosen to determine if it is 15,000 feet from a military base or 2,500 feet from a civilian base. If the issue arises, Oneida County and EDGE will follow HUD guidance on next steps. Source: Assessment by program administrative staff based upon Runway Clear Zones and Accident Potential Zones – 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart D.

Coastal Barrier Resources

Not Applicable to this Project: No projects will be in Coastal Barrier System.

<u>Source:</u> Assessment by program administrative staff. New York State Coastal Management Plan, administered by the New York State Department of State.

Flood Insurance

Currently Undetermined/Review Required: Due to the existence of floodplains throughout Oneida County, program administrative staff will initiate activity as each specific project is selected to determine if a property to receive assistance is located within a floodplain. The appropriate FIRM will be utilized to determine location of a project in proximity to a floodplain. If the property is in an A or AE floodzone, it will not be considered for this program. If the property is in any other zone, it will only be considered with adequate flood insurance. Source: Floodplain Management, Executive Order 11988, amended by Executive Order 12148 (July 1979); Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, as amended [42 U.S.C. 4001-4128] will be followed.

Clean Air

<u>Not Applicable to this Project:</u> Each business selected will not be disturbing the structure of the location for this grant. This grant is for economic development purposes only and will not result in any reason for there to be a disturbance with the surrounding environment.

<u>Source</u>: Assessment by program administrative staff based upon the Clean Air Act of 1970, as amended in 1977 (Public Law 90-148), (42 USC 7401-7642) as amended, and applicable U.S. Environmental Protection Agency implementing regulations.

Coastal Zone Management

Not Applicable to this Project: No projects will be in Coastal Barrier System.

<u>Source:</u> Assessment by program administrative staff. New York State Coastal Management Plan, administered by the New York State Department of State.

Contamination and Toxic Substances

Not Applicable to this Project: Each project selected will be for economic development purposes only.

Source: Assessment by program administrative staff; 24CFR Part 50.3(i) & 58.5(i)(2)

Endangered Species

Not Applicable to this Project: The nature of the economic development activities is such that this is not applicable.

Source: NYS DEC Region 6 Suboffice in Utica.

Explosive and Flammable Hazards

Not Applicable to this Project: The program will be carried out in predominantly residential and commercial areas. No increase in unit density will occur as a result of activities undertaken by this program. It is noted that upon initial inspection of the business, if there are any flammable materials or tanks, they are taken into account during the course of the grant. Source: Assessment by program administrative staff based upon Thermal Explosive Hazards – 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C and Runway Clear Zones and Accident Potential Zones – 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart D.

Farmlands Protection

Not Applicable to this Project: Actions taken will not conflict with Oneida County's Farmland Protection Plan, Adopted June 2017.

<u>Source:</u> Assessment by program administrative staff; Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1981, Public Law 97-97.

Floodplain Management

<u>Currently Undetermined/Review Required:</u> Due to the existence of floodplains throughout Oneida County, program administrative staff will initiate activity as each specific project is selected to determine if a property to receive assistance is located within a floodplain. The appropriate FIRM will be utilized to determine location of a project in proximity to a floodplain.

<u>Source:</u> Floodplain Management, Executive Order 11988, amended by Executive Order 12148 (July 1979); Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, as amended [42 U.S.C. 4001-4128] will be followed.

Historic Preservation

<u>Currently Undetermined/Review Required:</u> Each project selected for assistance will undergo review by the State Historic Preservation Office (NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation). Initial consultation on a case-by-case basis will determine if further review of the specific project is necessary for compliance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Source: The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, Public Law 89-866, as amended.

Noise and Abatement Control

The program will be carried out in predominantly residential and commerical areas. No increase in unit density will occur as a result of activities undertaken by this program.

<u>Source:</u> Assessment by program administrative staff based upon Noise and Control Act of 1972, as amended by the Quiet Communities Act of 1978; 24 CFR Part 51 Subpart B.

Sole Source Aquifers

Not Applicable to this Project: There are no navigable waters that would be impacted by this program. Proposed activities are not regulated nor require permits related to the cited regulations.

<u>Source</u>: DEC Region 6 suboffice in Utica and Navigable Waters-Clean Water Act of 1977; The program will not impact a sole source aquifer.

DEC Region 6 suboffice in Utica, Aquifers – Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, and EPA Mapping of Sole Source Aquifers in Region II (as of 12/88).

Wetlands Protection

Not Applicable to this Project: Activities under this program will not involve placement of fill or other disturbance of wetlands.

<u>Source</u>: DEC Region 6 suboffice in Utica with reference to Article 24 Fresh Water Wetlands and the Protection of Wetlands, Executive Order 11990.

Wild and Scenic Rivers

Not Applicable to this Project: Only economic development activities are proposed under this program. There are no wild and scenic rivers in Oneida County.

<u>Source:</u> Assessment by program administrative staff. Wild, Scenic, and Recreational River Systems (WSRRS), enforced by the DEC.

Environmental Justice

<u>Not Applicable to this Project:</u> The activities proposed in this program will not have any adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations.

Source: Assessment by program administrative staff; Environmental Justice, Executive Order 12898.

State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)

<u>Currently Undetermined/Review Required:</u> Each project selected for assistance will undergo review by the State Historic Preservation Office (NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation). Initial consultation on a case-by-case basis will determine if further review of the specific project is necessary for compliance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Source: The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, Public Law 89-866, as amended.

State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA)

Not Applicable to this Project: The SEQR Program classification for this project is a Type II which requires no SEQR action other than documentation of the classification.

<u>Source:</u> The State Environmental Quality Review Act (Article 8 of the NYS Environmental Conservation Law) and the implementing regulations at 6 NYCRR Part 617.

APPENDIX I:

Maps and Supplemental Information

Insert 1: Map of airports in Oneida County

Insert 2: Department of Environmental Conservation National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

NEPAssist Map

Insert 3: Federal Emergency Management Agency – FEMA's National Flood Hazard Layer (NFHL) Viewer Map – This map shows that there is data available for all of Oneida County.

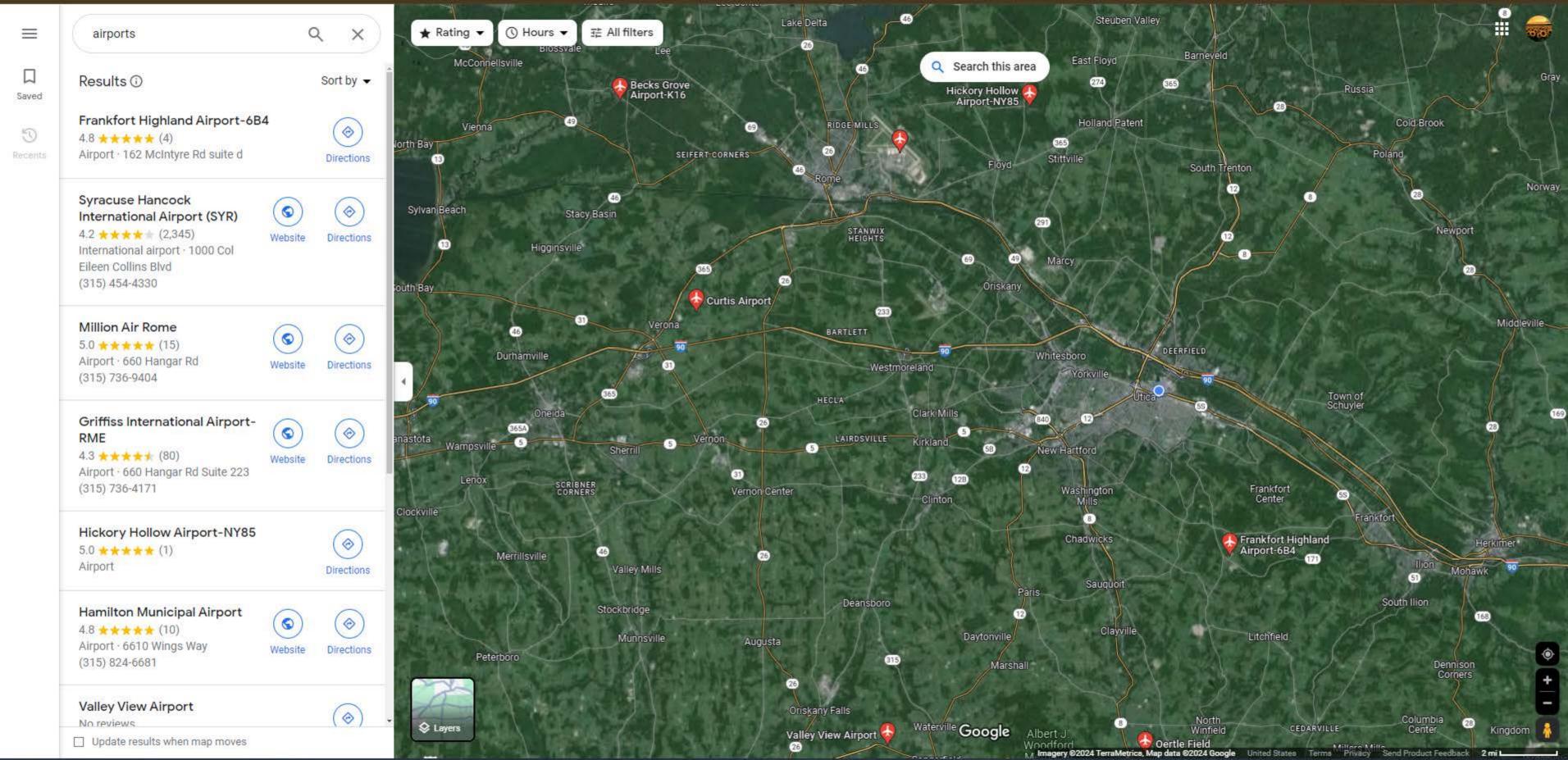
Insert 4: US Fish and Wildlife Service Coastal Barrier Resource System Mapper

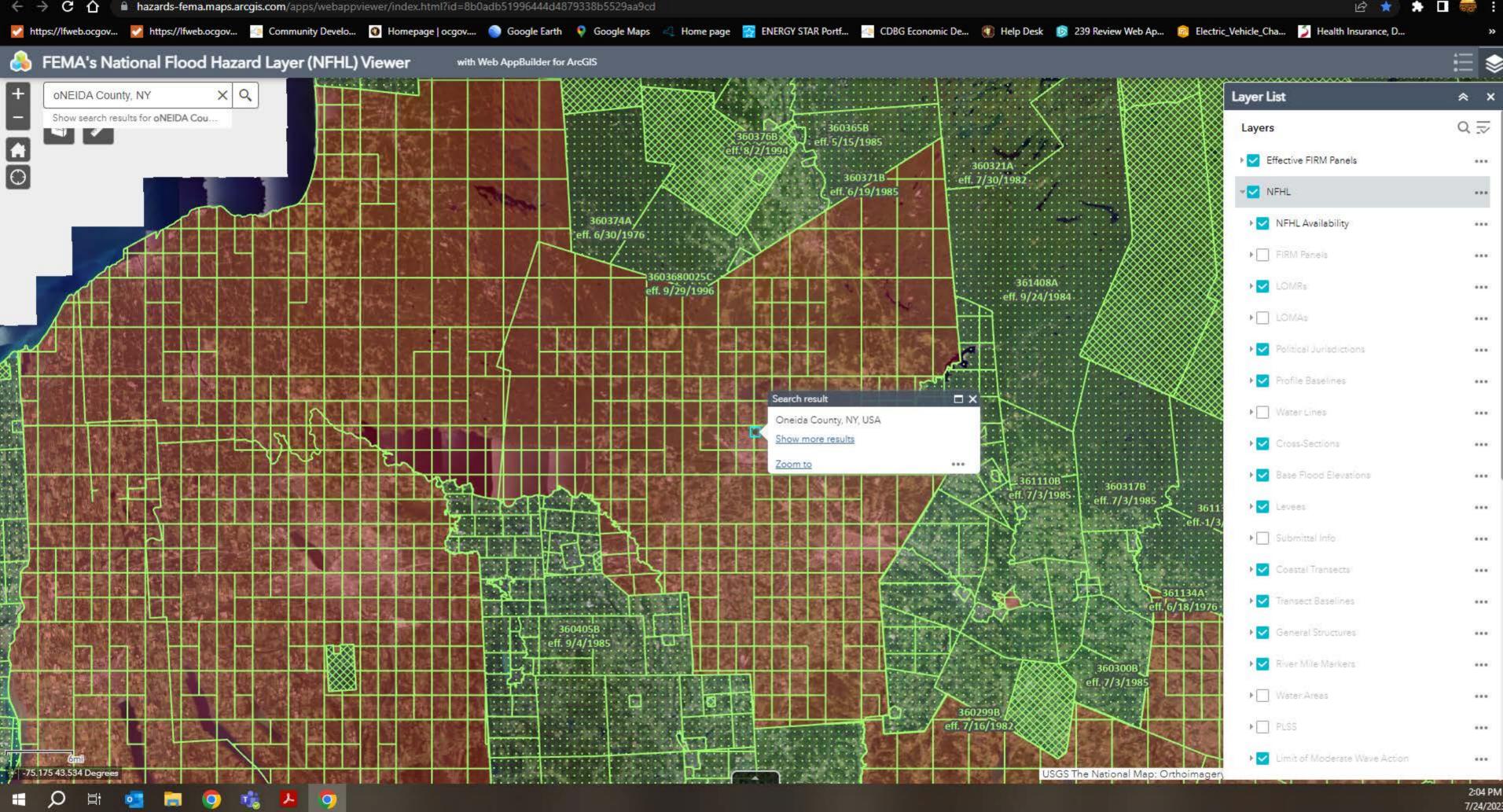
Insert 5: US Fish and Wildlife Service IPaC – Information for Planning Consultation – This provides a report on the endangered species for a given location

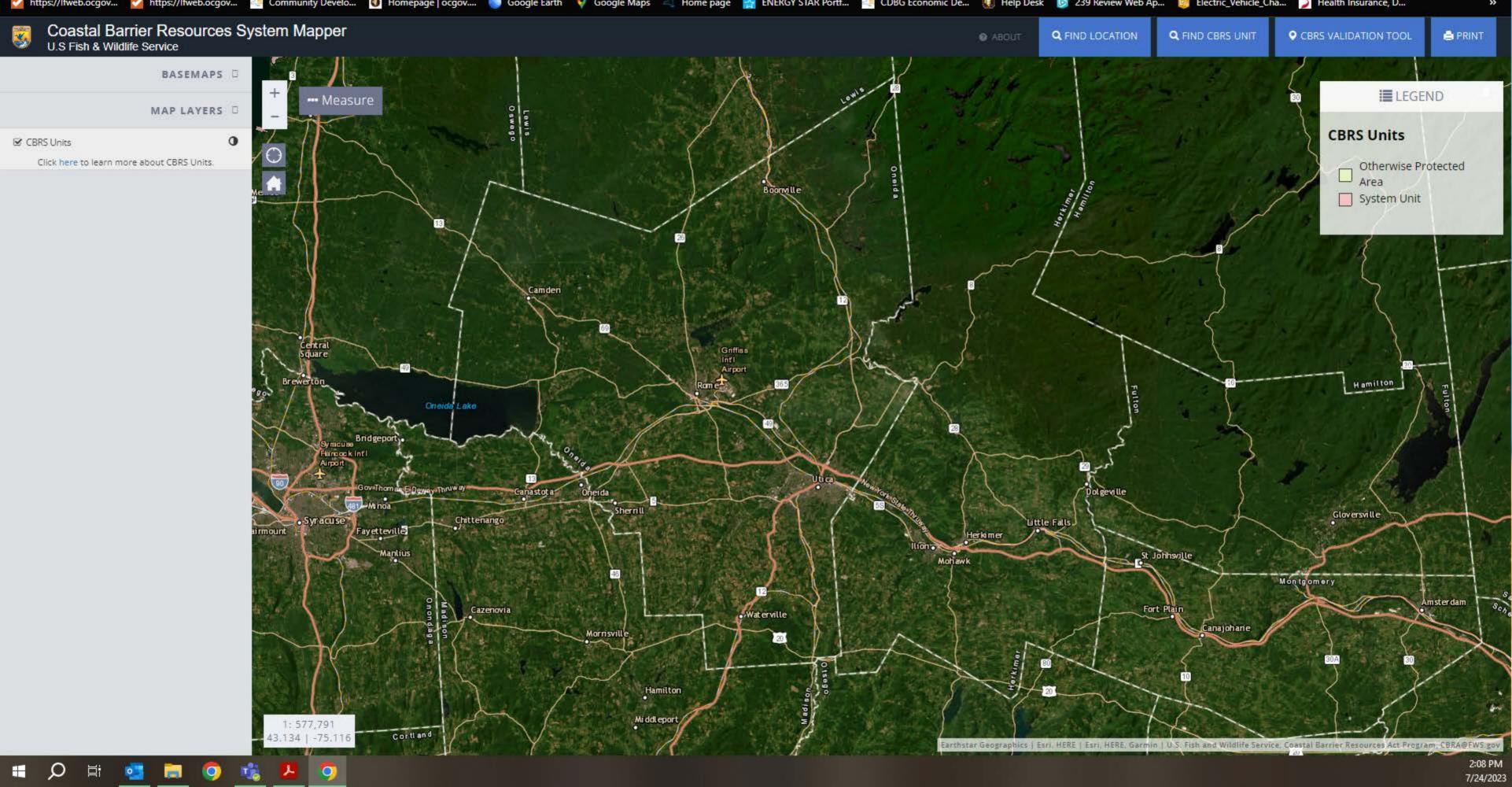
Insert 6: Department of Environmental Conservation Sole Source Aquifers Mapper

Insert 7: US Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetlands Inventory Mapper

Insert 8: National Wild and Scenic Rivers System Map







IPaC Information for Planning and Consultation u

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

LOG IN

Explore location

LOCAL OFFICE NY ESFO -



LOCATION
Oneida County, New York
CHANGE LOCATION

Resources



BALD & GOLDEN EAGLES

MIGRATORY BIRDS

FACILITIES

WETLANDS

□ PRINT RESOURCE LIST

What's next?

Define a project at this location to evaluate potential impacts, get an official species list, and make species determinations.

DEFINE PROJEC^{*}

Endangered species

Listed species

and their critical habitats are managed by the Ecological Services Program of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the fisheries division of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA Fisheries).

Species and critical habitats under the sole responsibility of NOAA Fisheries are not shown on this list. Please contact NOAA Fisheries for species under their jurisdiction.

Additional information on endangered species data is provided <u>below</u>.

The following species are potentially affected by activities in this location:			
□ THUMBNAILS □ LIST	□ SPECIES GUIDELINES →		
Mammals NAME	STATUS		
Northern Long-eared Bat Myotis septentrionalis Wherever found	Endangered		
Insects	STATUS		
Monarch Butterfly Danaus plexippus Wherever found	Candidate		
Ferns and Allies	STATUS		
American Hart's-tongue Fern	Threatened		

Critical habitats

Wherever found

Potential effects to critical habitat(s) in this location must be analyzed along with the

Asplenium scolopendrium var. americanum

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endangered species themselves.

There are no critical habitats at this location.

You are still required to determine if your project(s) may have effects on all above listed species.

- ☐ What does IPaC use to generate the list of endangered species potentially occurring in my specified location?
- □ Do these lists represent all species to be considered at this location?
- $\hfill\Box$ If this resource list is empty, do I still need to coordinate with the USFWS?
- ☐ What is an 'official species list' and why would I need one?

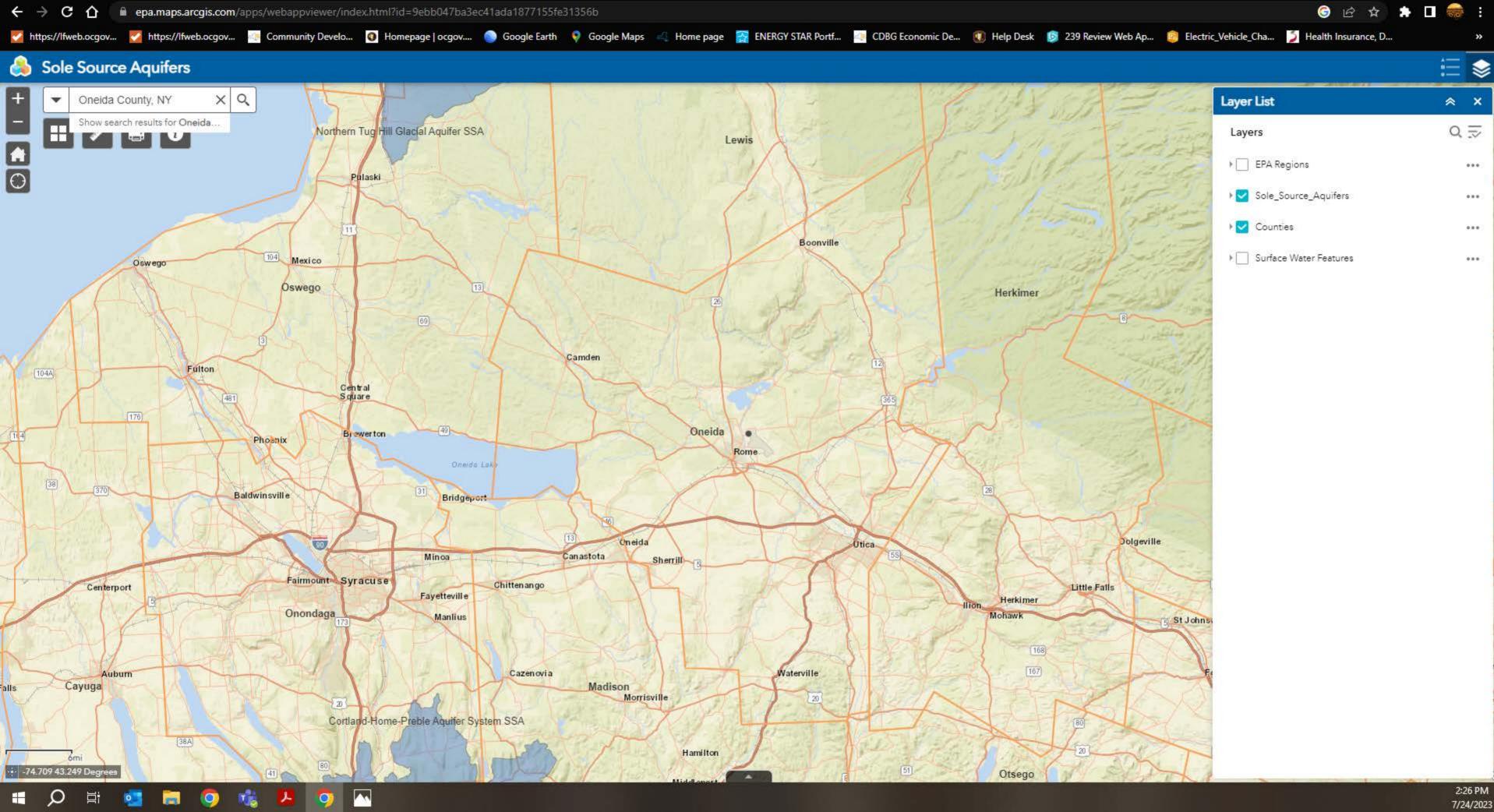
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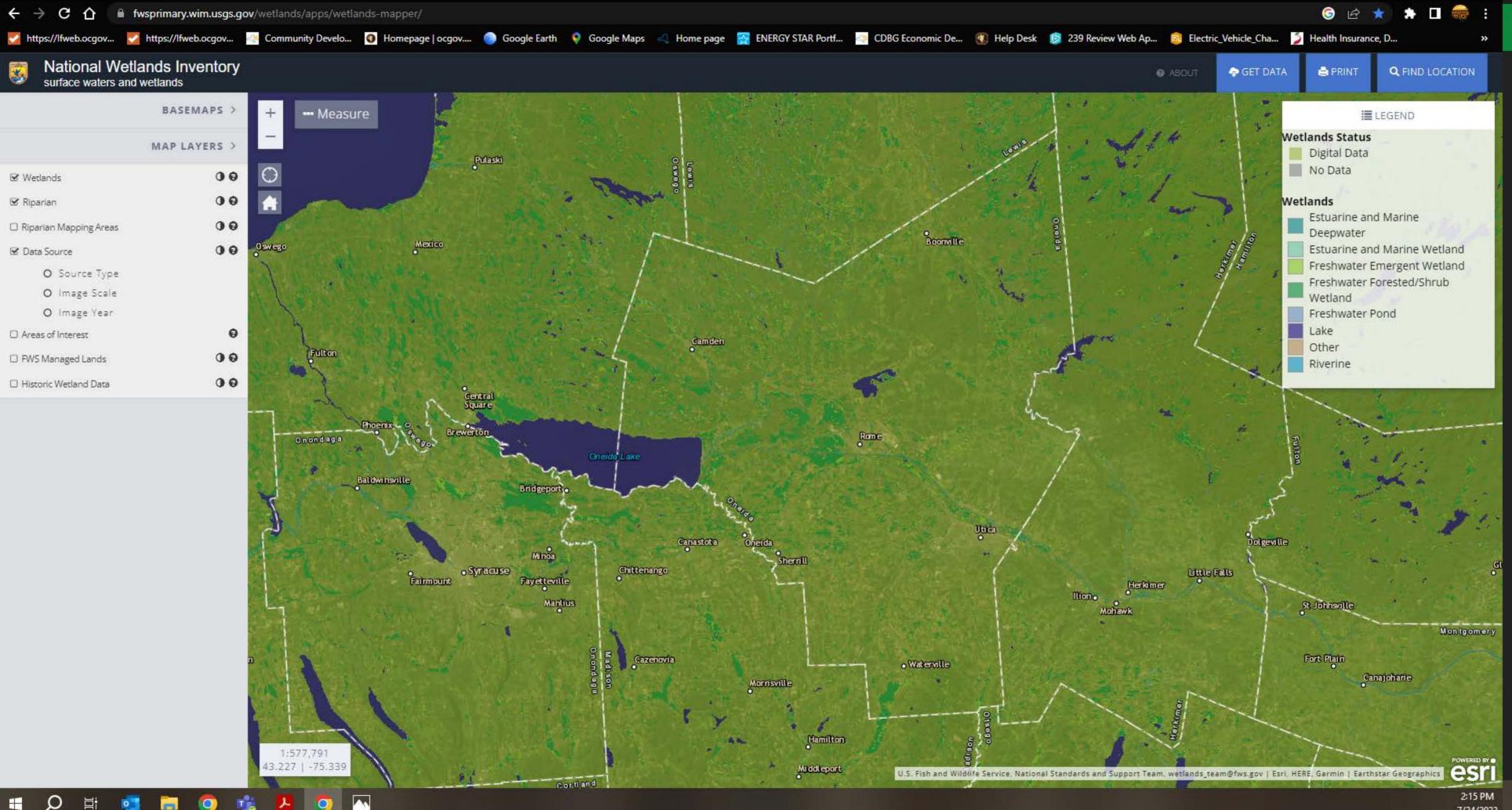
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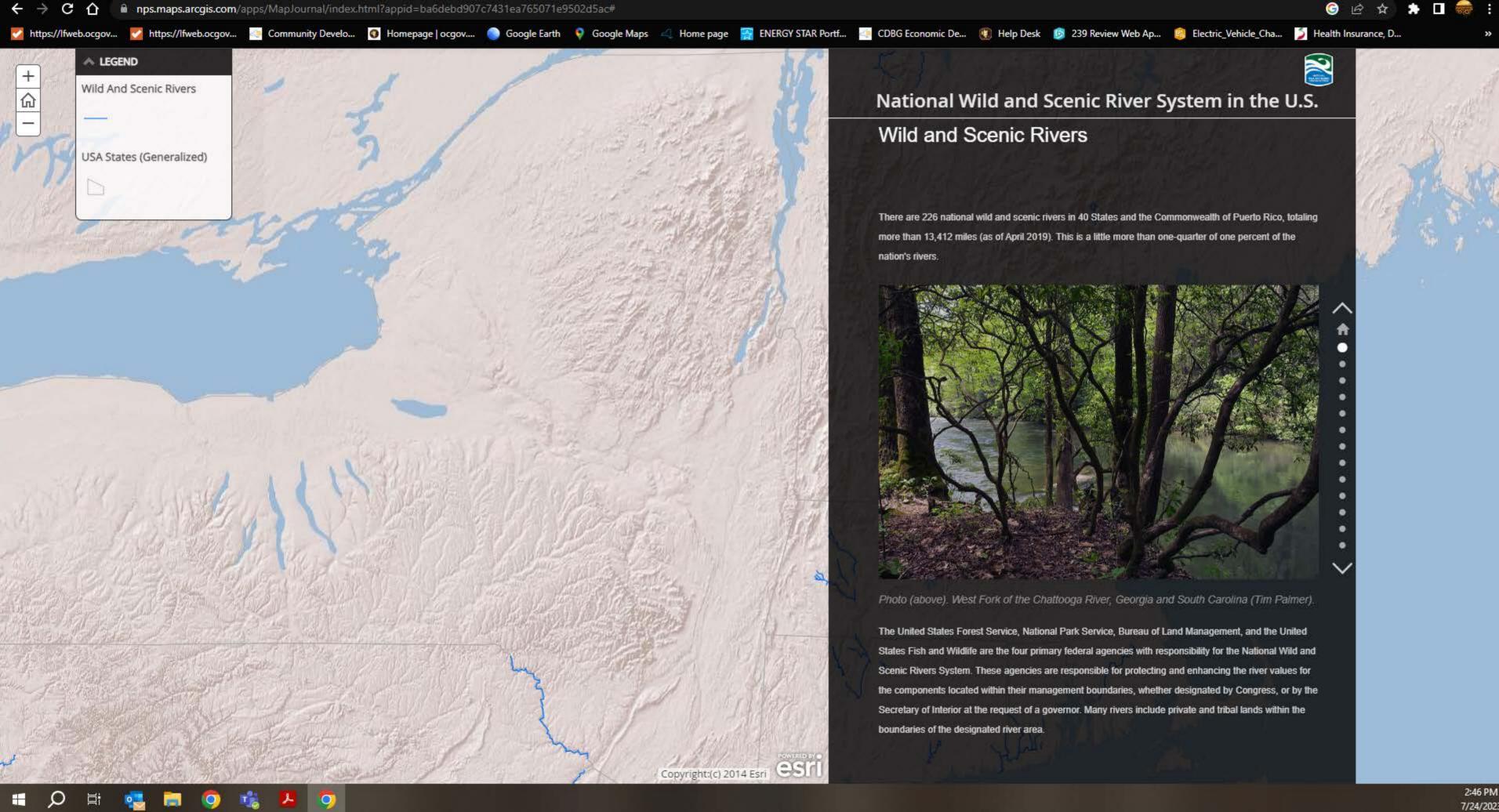
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Environmental Assessment Factors

Land Development:

Conformance with Plans/Compatible Land Use and Zoning/Scale and Urban Design

Oneida County will ensure that the activity is consistent with the municipality's comprehensive or land use plan if one exists. The activity will identify economic development factors within the plan and work with the microenterprise business owner, through Mohawk Valley EDGE, to meet or exceed the goals highlighted in the plan.

Since this is an economic development program, no construction activities are planned to take place during the course of the grant at any site. Therefore, there should be no impact on land use or zoning plans.

• Soil Suitability/ Slope/ Erosion/ Drainage/ Storm Water Runoff

The activities involved in the Oneida County 2024 Microenterprise Grant Program are not planned to contribute to any of the issues mentioned above. The program will assist in working capital or equipment purchases, not altering the landscape of the property in question. Since the businesses receiving assistance have not been chosen yet, there is no way to determine if there will be an impact. Based on the activity of previous programs with similar capacity, there is no planned disturbance to the soils. Oneida County operates in conjunction with the Mohawk Valley Water Authority for a portion of the County to process wastewater before it is pumped back into the Mohawk River. There should be no need for any permitting for this type of project.

Hazards and Nuisances including Site Safety and Noise

Living in this area protects a business owner from a myriad of natural potential hazards as compared to other parts of the country and globe. Many natural and man-made hazards are regulated by other types of enforcement aside from environmental assessment such as local zoning and health codes. Since the type of project being implemented with this program is economic development, there is not much concern about causing any additional hazards.

• Energy Consumption

It is vital for a business, especially a start-up business to consider their energy consumption when determining the location of their business. The activity under this grant award could assist the business with methods to reduce energy consumption, through more efficient equipment, for example. There can be an opportunity to increase energy efficiency at various points throughout the project. There is less of a likelihood that these measures will be undertaken at this phase of the project though since a lot of building envelope technology is a more permanent fixture on the building, thus making it ineligible for coverage on this grant.

Socioeconomic

Employment and Income Patterns

This program is intended to create permanent, full-time equivalent employment opportunities. At least 51% of these employment opportunities must be made available to low to moderate-income individuals. This program can also assist the microenterprise business owners in maintaining their business, thus keeping them within Oneida County. This will have a positive impact on the area's employment and income patterns. As stated in the program design, there will be outreach to area agencies that work with minority and underserved populations within Oneida County.

Demographic Character Changes, Displacement

As an economic development program, this program will not have an impact on the demographic of Oneida County and will not cause any displacement. If anything, assisting a microenterprise business will enhance the demographics and contribute to a sense of community. This project will not include any acquired property, rehabilitation of structures, or demolition of any structure, leading to no one being displaced.

Community Facilities and Services

Educational and Cultural Facilities

There will be no projected increase in student population as a result of this program. There is no projected population increase in Oneida County as a result of this project, so there will be no impact on educational centers or cultural facilities.

Commercial Facilities

There is no projected impact on commercial facilities for this project. Existing retail and commercial services are not projected to have any adverse impacts felt by this project.

Health Care and Social Services

There will be no increase in population from the proposed project; therefore, no negative impact on the health care and social services systems. Regardless of where the microenterprise business is located, there should be access to these services within half an hour.

Solid Waste Disposal/Recycling

Since the microenterprise businesses being assisted is still an unknown, there can be no determination if hazardous waste will be an issue. It is not anticipated that this will be an issue with any of the businesses being assisted for this project. The Oneida Herkimer Solid Waste Authority can assist if there are any issues to contend with. This program also ensures that the business being assisted follows procedure, including proper waste disposal.

Wastewater/Sanitary Sewers

There is no anticipated negative impact on the wastewater/sewer systems for this economic development project. In Oneida County, wastewater is either transported to the Water Pollution Control Plant for treatment through the sanitary sewer system or there is an on-site septic system. Since no new construction will be taking place throughout the grant duration, there should be no issue with the wastewater or sanitary sewer.

Water Supply

There is no anticipated impact on the water supply for this economic development project. There is also no anticipated situation where the microenterprise business will not have access to an adequate and safe water supply.

Public Safety – Police, Fire, and Emergency Medical

There are obvious differences in the level of safety and amount of public safety officers available depending on the rurality of the business location. In May of 2022, the Oneida County Executive announced a new program that increased response time for those that have alarm systems. It will also assist with the burden on the 911 call center by decreasing call times between alarm companies and public safety officials.

Parks, Open Space and Recreation

Since the exact locations of the businesses that will be awarded are unknown at this time, this review cannot speak to access to parks, open space, and recreation. The Oneida County website boasts 37 parks and 54 nature and outdoor activities.

None of the businesses that receive grants are anticipated to have any adverse impact on parks, open space, or recreational activities.

Transportation and Accessibility

It is not anticipated that any business receiving a grant will be involved in the accessibility, balance, safety, or level of service that is required to maintain a transportation system. There should be no reason for traffic studies to be conducted for this economic development project. There will be no significant impact on local traffic patterns throughout this project. Since these businesses are microenterprises, there will be only one or two new employees at each location.

Natural Features

Unique Natural Features, Water Resources

This economic development project will not alter the view of or change any unique natural feature. It is unlikely that any business granted would be in the vicinity of a unique natural feature. There will be no anticipated negative impact on surface or groundwater sources throughout this economic development project. There will be no construction funded under this project, thus no increase to impervious

surfaces. If one of the businesses awarded happens to be in proximity to a wetland, there will be a review to ensure that there will be no negative impact from the proposed project.

• Vegetation, Wildlife

Due to the nature of this project, it is not anticipated that it will have any negative impact on vegetation or wildlife.

• Other Factors – none