



FACT SHEET

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Oswego River Basin, NY Flood Forecasting New York State (NYS) Canal Corporation

Water Resources Development Act of 1999, Section 436
General Investigations

Location

- Central New York State, comprising over 5,000 square miles, including the Finger Lakes

Project Description

- In the December 2005 *Report on the Future of New York State Canals*, the NYS Canal Corporation discussed the need for “more coherent and comprehensive system of water management in the Basin” and recommended a “canal system-wide real-time monitoring system with the forecasting tools necessary to project flood estimates, allowing lake managers and the Canal Corporation to make decisions based upon an accurate assessment of basin-wide conditions

Importance

- The area has quite a number of water resource related issues. However, Flooding is a primary issue of the basin and affects numerous communities, businesses, and people. Flooding related issues would be a focus of this study

Consequences

- Without funding; evaluation of water related resource issues and needs will remain unknown

Project Phase	Est. Cost of Phase	Federal Funding Thru FY14	FY15 Requirement	FY15 Budget	FY16 Requirement	FY16 Budget
Feasibility	TBD	\$0	\$100k	\$0	\$150k	\$0

(1) PAS Studies are cost-shared 50% Federal, 50% non-Federal.

Project Sponsor/Customer

- New York State Canal Corporation (NYS Thruway Authority)

Congressional Interests

- Representative Louise Slaughter D-NY-25
- Representative John Katko R-NY-24
- Representative Chris Collins R-NY-27
- Representative Tom Reed R-NY-23
- Senator Kirsten Gillibrand D-NY
- Senator Charles Schumer D-NY

Current Status

- Not funded, not initiated

Issues

- Funding must be appropriated to this project before it can begin

