

GLRI CG Springville Dam

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AUTHORIZATION: Great Lakes Fishery and Ecosystem Restoration, Section 506, Water resources Development Act of 2000

PROJECT SPONSOR:

- Erie County
- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

LOCATION:

This project is located along Cattaraugus Creek, the largest stream tributary to Lake Erie in New York State. The Springville Dam sits approximately 3 miles outside the town of Springville in Erie County, along the border with Cattaraugus County, NY.



Springville Dam CREEK WATERSHED ABOVE THE SPRINGVILLE DAM

High Quality Fish Habitat

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Artist rendering, Springville Dam Fish Passage Project as of March 2019

Cattaraugus Creek, New York

Congressional Member Interest	Key Stakeholder Interest
NY23 – Representative Nickolas	New York State Department of
Langworthy Senator Charles Schumer	Environmental Conservation Erie County
Senator Kirsten Gillibrand	Life Godiny

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND:

The Cattaraugus Creek watershed is split into upper and lower sections because of the Springville Dam, located approximately halfway up the 70 mile creek. This separation denies fish communities increased richness and abundance. The dam does benefit by blocking invasive sea lamprey from the ability to spawn in the upper watershed.

This project has developed a partial design to install a denil fish ladder and lower the Springville Dam. As a result the project is expected to provide restored native fish habitat

As of: 2/22/2023

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Buffalo District 1776 Niagara Street, Buffalo, NY 14207 http://www.lrb.usace.army.mil while maintaining a barrier to the invasive Sea Lamprey and will reconnect approximately 572 miles of tributary stream in the upper watershed with the lower watershed and Lake Erie. The project provides the added benefit of bringing the dam to within compliance with its current hazard classification, a secondary benefit to Erie County.

BUDGET INFORMATION:

Authorized Total Project Cost	\$10,000,000
Non-Federal Sponsor Cost	\$9,700,000
Federal Cost	\$10,000,000
Federal Funding Received Prior to FY24 President Budget	\$2,900,000

CURRENT STATUS:

The Springville Dam Ecosystem Restoration project has been on indefinite hold since March 2020 pending non-federal funding and real estate actions. The project has remained on hold since March 2020 pending the non-federal sponsor securing additional funding and undertaking the necessary real estate actions needed to support construction.

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