

NEWS from the Catskill Watershed Corp

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CWC Approves Septic System Repairs and Replacements and Flood Hazard Projects

ARKVILLE, N.Y., July 12, 2021– On July 6, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) Board of Directors approved funding for several projects in the Septic and Flood Hazard Mitigation Implementation Programs.

18 homeowners in 14 towns in Delaware, Greene, Schoharie, Sullivan and Ulster Counties were awarded funding for replacement septic systems and additional construction costs. Since the beginning of the year, 76 systems have been repaired or replaced, ensuring the proper treatment of over 25,000 gallons of sewage per day in the watershed.

A homeowner in the hamlet of Lexington was approved for design costs for wet floodproofing under our Flood Hazard Mitigation Implementation (FHMI) Program. The design funding was approved as a cost-effective protection measure as determined by a previously funded feasibility study of the property.

The Village of Walton was approved for design costs for culvert replacement on State Route 10 in the Village under the FHMI Program. The design will be to current DOT standards. Once designed, the culvert replacement will be shovel ready for construction when State funding becomes available. Replacement of the culvert will help protect numerous surrounding businesses. Construction costs of the culvert replacement is estimated to exceed \$4 million.

The CWC Board also approved an application from the Village of Tannersville for a streambank stabilization grant for construction costs to protect Railroad Avenue in the Village, as recommended by their local flood analysis. The stabilization project is estimated to cost approximately \$1.2 million. The Board also authorized the submittal of an application to the US Army Corps of Engineers for reimbursement towards a portion of the costs of the project.

Construction costs of recommended flood mitigation measures at the

Huntersfield Christian Training Center in Prattsville were also approved.

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