

**Proposed Project:** Pjt. 1: Environmental Protection Overlay Training, Tompkins County

**Proposed Project Category:** can address more than one issue

Wetland and Riparian Corridor Management

**Does project relate to/advance any existing local, regional, watershed, or statewide plans? (i.e., municipal comprehensive plan, watershed plan, regional sustainability plan, NYS comprehensive invasive species management plan, etc.)**

Cayuga Lake Restoration Plan

**Proposed Project Location:** Training held in Tompkins County

**Landowner** n/a

**Issue to be addressed:** Regulatory changes that better protect sensitive areas, such as riparian corridors and steep slopes, from development. Danby seems to be moving in the direction of establishing some Environmental Protection Overlay Districts (EPODS) as part of its zoning ordinance, and possibly amending its local Type 1/Type 2 list to include certain activities the SEQR lists do not.

**Proposed Project or Action:** Develop and present a training program for municipal boards to improve understanding of and encourage development/adoption of environmental overlay districts. Ideally, presenter will also serve as a resource throughout the entire process through municipal adoption.

**Is the proposed project or action based on standard practices typically employed for the issue at hand Yes/No. If no, what is the basis for recommending this project or action (ongoing research, successful pilot outside of watershed, etc.)**

Yes.

**Current Project Readiness:**

**Approximate Project Timeframe:** 12 months for training and adoption

**Approximate Cost** *unknown/dependent upon preferred training option: consultant ind. Presentations; Zoom; recorded for use. Time to develop, present and support municipal development*

**Potential Local Match Source**

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