



DELAWARE COUNTY STREAM CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

A Cooperative Program
Delaware County Soil and Water Conservation District
New York City Department of Environmental Protection
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Project Advisory Committee Meeting
District Office
September 10, 2015

Members Present:

Steve Dutcher, Walton CEO
Bruce Dolph, Town of Walton Supervisor
Nate Hendrick, NYC DEP
Phil Eskeli, NYC DEP
Frank Winkler, Town of Andes
Alan Reynolds, AJ Trucking
Steve Swensen, NYS DEC
Larry Underwood, DCSWCD Agricultural Program
Jeff Russell, DCSWCD Stream Program Tech.
Molly Oliver, Del. Co. Watershed Affairs
Rick Weidenbach, DCSWCD Executive Director
Steve Hood, Del. Co. Emergency Service

Beth Reichheld, NYC DEP
Walter Geidel, Town of Walton Supt.
Catherine Skalda, DCSWCD CSBI
Shelly Johnson, Del. Co. Planning Dept.
Tom Little, CEO Delhi
Dean Frazier, Del. Co. Watershed Affairs
Larry Hull, Watershed Agricultural Council
Liz Bowie, DCSWCD Data Budget Specialist
Jessica Patterson, DCSWCD Stream Program Tech.
Graydon Dutcher, DCSWCD Stream Program
Gale Neale, DCSWCD Stream Program Tech.

Welcome and Introductions:

Graydon welcomed everybody to the meeting. A brief overview of the agenda(See Attached Document). The goal for this meeting is to make funding recommendations for the Delaware Watershed Stream Management Implementation grants to the Delaware County Soil and Water District Board.

Presentation and reference material (See Attached Document)

Rank #1: Delhi River Walk

- Submitted by the Village of Delhi
 - The River Walk will include a trail which will be signed as part of a system of “prescription trails”, a boat launch, fishing platform, pavilion, benches, trash and recycling receptacles.
 - Funding Requested = \$60,534.24
- Shelly described the project that will start at Kingston Street and go to the Shire Pub. It is being installed in Phases with Phase 1 starting this year with the installation of the boat launch and a trail to the boat launch. Catskill Watershed Corporation is going to fund the stormwater and county parking lot retro fits, which will be part of Phase 2. Tom Little added that the Village is very excited about this project.

Rank #2: County Rt. 22 Streambank Stabilization

- Submitted by the Department of Public Works
- The proposed project will stabilize a 600 foot reach of the East Brook stream that runs along the toe of the County Rt. 22 highway embankment.
- Funding Requested = \$285,522

Rank #3: Stockton Ave / South St Streambank Stabilization

- Submitted by the Village of Walton
- The proposed project is to stabilize an embankment along the West Branch Delaware River that is resulting in loss of property to a private owner and settlement of a Village roadway.
- Funding Requested = \$1,162,273

Rank #4: Miller Ave. Culvert Replacement

- Submitted by the Town of Bovina
- The Miller Ave. culvert is in poor condition and undersized
- Funding Requested = \$268,188

Rank #5: Carrol Hill Road Bridge Replacement

- Submitted by the Town of Tompkins
- Funding will be used to replace a bridge structure that is deteriorating and if plugged with debris could over top Carrol Hill Road and impact County Rt. 27.
- Funding Requested = \$190,014.80

Rank #6: East Brook Streambank Stabilization

- Submitted by the Town of Hamden
- The project addresses erosion on approximately 75 feet of failing streambank along public roadway.
- Funding Requested = \$66,366.60

Rank #7: Beers Brook Stream Restoration

- Submitted by the Town of Walton
- Slope rock along Beers Brook placed in 2006 is being undermined and destabilized by stream bed erosion.
- Funding Requested = \$31,645.24

Rank #8: Hardscrabble Stream Restoration

- Submitted by the Town of Roxbury
- A destabilized stream bank on the outside bed of the river is contributing to excessive erosion of gravel bank.
- Funding Requested = \$62,737.16

Rank #9: John Tuttle Road Culvert Replacement

- Submitted by the Town of Middletown
- Culvert is in poor condition and undersized. It is over topped frequently stressing infrastructure and massively eroding stream banks. There is a large gravel deposition at the inlet of the culvert and a large pool at the outlet giving greater instability to the stream crossing.
- Funding Requested = \$249,170.98

Rank #10: Town Brook Stream Restoration

- Submitted by the Town of Stamford
- The Stream channel has widened and deposited material creating erosion on neighboring property.
- Funding Requested = \$31,527.58

Rank #11: Close Hollow Road Stream Bed and Bank Restoration

- Submitted by the Town of Andes
- The Town is proposing to reinforce the unstable bank on lower end of bridge. The shoulder of the road is slowly falling into the stream.
- Funding Requested = \$53,095.40

Rank #12: Grant Brook Wall Restoration

- Submitted by the Village of Hobart
- The project will restore a rock wall and inlet to a municipal culvert. The restoration work will open the stream channel and rebuild the wall 2-3 feet away from the stream to allow for a more gradual approach to the culvert inlet.
- Funding Requested = \$22,910.75

Rank #13: Mill Brook Streambank Stabilization

- Submitted by the Town of Hardenburgh
- To stabilization 50' high streambank failure that is vertical and approximately 450' lineal to protect downstream infrastructure (bridge and roadway).
- Funding Requested = \$89,661

Budgeting:

There is a total of \$2 million in the budget to fund the Stream Management Implementation Program (SMIP) grants. The possibility of funding all the grants that were applied for this round would use up all the funding that is available for this 5-year contract.

- Molly asked about the in-kind service from the communities that are applying, if that was figured into the grant application.
 - o All in-kind service has already been figured into the grant. This amount is the funding requested.
- Shelly suggested to move some of these grants into other parts of the programs, such as CSBI.

PAC Recommendations for funding:

- Delhi River Walk – discussion to utilize as much in-kind service as possible to reduce the cost of the project. Motion made to fund this grant, seconded and approved.
- County Route 22 Streambank Stabilization – No discussion. Motion made to fund this grant, seconded and approved.
- Stockton Ave/South Street Streambank Stabilization – There was concerns that the funding amount for this project would use up all the SMIP grant funding. A grant was applied for through the NYS DEC's Water Quality Improvement Project to do a cost share for this project. A motion was made to only fund the local share of grant if the WQIP grant is approved, but if there is no supplemental funding then to terminate this project in December. This motion was seconded and approved.
- Miller Ave Culvert Replacement – A grant was applied for through the NYS DEC's Water Quality Improvement Project to do a cost share for this project. A motion was made to fund the complete project, seconded and approved.
- Carrol Hill Road Bridge Replacement – Discussion to modify the grant to pay for the engineer study that will determine the placement for the new structure. A motion was made to fund the engineer study, seconded and approved.
- East Brook Streambank Stabilization – No discussion. Motion made to fund this grant, seconded and approved.
- Beers Brook Stream Restoration – No discussion. Motion made to fund this grant, seconded and approved. Graydon suggested that in the future that a corridor management plan be completed on Beers Brook, Pines Brook and other tributaries that have been identified as problem sub-basins to provide a better solution instead of band-aide approaches.

- John Tuttle Road Culvert Replacement – Discussion to modify the grant to pay for the engineer study that will determine the placement for the new structure. A motion was made to fund the engineer study, seconded and approved.
- Grant Brook Wall Restoration – No discussion. Motion made to fund this grant, seconded and approved.
- Hardscrabble Stream Restoration, Town Brook Stream Restoration, and Mill Brook Stream Restoration – Discussion to move these grants into the Stream Programs Demonstration and CSBI funds. Motion made to move the grants into the demonstration projects, seconded and approved.

Wrap up:

The PAC's recommendation for funding will be given to the DCSWCD District Board on September 16, 2015. The next PAC meeting was not scheduled at this time.