



AG/Planning/Environmental

Committee Meeting

60 Central Ave.
Cortland, NY 13045
<http://www.cortland-co.org>

~ Minutes ~

Thursday, April 11, 2024

10:00 AM

Room 302

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:17 AM by Committee Chair Beau Harbin

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Sandra Price	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Beau Harbin	Cortland County, NY	Committee Chair	Present	
Paul Heider	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Susan Wilson	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Mitchel Eccleston	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
William McGovern	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Reed Cleland	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Savannah Hempstead	Cortland County, NY	Clerk of the Legislature	Present	
Rob Corpora	Cortland County, NY	County Administrator	Present	
Janice Degni	Cooperative Extension	South Central Dairy & Field Crops Team	Present	
Betsy Hicks	Cooperative Extension	South Central Dairy & Field Crops Team	Present	
David Rutherford	Cortland County, NY	Executive Director, Cornell Cooperative Extension	Present	
Amanda Barber	Soil & Water Conservation District	Director	Present	
Trisha Hiemstra	Cortland County, NY	Planning Director	Present	
Melanie Vilardi	Cortland County, NY	Deputy County Administrator	Present	
Melissa Potter	Cortland County, NY	Mobility Manager	Present	
Christopher Newell	Cortland County, NY	Board Member	Present	
Kim Cameron	Cortland County Planning Board	Member	Present	
Cathy Bischoff	Cortland County, NY	Board Member	Late	10:38 AM
Kevin Fitch	Cortland County, NY	Chair of the Legislature	Late	11:09 AM

MINUTES

1. Ag/Planning/Environmental - Committee Meeting - Mar 14, 2024 10:00 AM

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Sandra Price, Committee Member
SECONDER:	Paul Heider, Committee Member
AYES:	Price, Harbin, Heider, Wilson, Eccleston, McGovern, Cleland

PRESENTATION

1. Cooperative Extension South Central Dairy & Field Crops Team Presentation

RESULT:	COMPLETED
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RESOLUTIONS

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – Resolution Urging the Enactment of the Packaging Reduction and Recycling Infrastructure Act (S.4246-B/A.5322-B)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
	Next: 4/25/2024 6:00 PM
MOVER:	Susan Wilson, Committee Member
SECONDER:	Sandra Price, Committee Member
AYES:	Price, Harbin, Heider, Wilson, Eccleston, McGovern, Cleland

ON MOTION OF HARBIN

RESOLUTION NO.

Resolution Urging the Enactment of the Packaging Reduction and Recycling Infrastructure Act (S.4246-B/A.5322-B)

WHEREAS, in New York State, more than 18 million tons of municipal solid waste (MSW) is generated each year, or about five pounds per day for every person who lives in the state; AND

WHEREAS, greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from the waste sector represent about 12 percent of statewide emissions; AND

WHEREAS, the most significant GHG emissions impact during the lifecycle of products and packaging result not from disposal but from the production of products and packaging that eventually become waste; AND

WHEREAS, in addition to the climate impacts of waste, the costs associated with its recycling and disposal impose a significant burden on local governments and taxpayers; AND

WHEREAS, the Climate Action Council's Final Scoping Plan recommends New York State enact legislation to create a product stewardship framework or target products with the greatest GHG impact, such as packaging, printed paper, carpets, tires, textiles, solar panels, wind turbines, batteries, appliances, and mattresses; AND

WHEREAS, S.4246-B (Harckham)/A.5322-B (Glick) would enact the Packaging Reduction and Recycling Infrastructure Act to create an Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) program for packaging materials; AND

WHEREAS, S.4246-B/A.5322-B would make producers legally and financially responsible for mitigating the environmental impacts of their packaging; AND

WHEREAS, this legislation would not only provide meaningful relief to local governments but also reduce GHG emissions from the production and disposal of consumer goods by incentivizing producers to reduce waste and design products that are more sustainable; AND

WHEREAS, S.4246-B/A.5322-B would also prohibit certain toxic and dangerous chemicals in packaging, including per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), ortho-phthalates, bisphenols, halogenated flame retardants, heavy metals such as lead, and other chemicals posing a threat to human health and safety and the environment; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, the Cortland County Legislature calls on the Senate and Assembly to pass and the Governor to sign S.4246-B (Harckham)/A.5322-B (Glick) during the 2024 Legislative Session; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, the Cortland County Legislature calls on the Governor and the Legislature to also enact an EPR program for paper products, which were excluded from the B-print of this legislation, in recognition of their significant contribution to greenhouse gas emissions and municipal recycling costs; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Kathy Hochul, the New York State Legislature, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – Authorize Agreement with New York State Department of Transportation Federal 5311 Mass Transportation Capital Project Contract Number C004074 2021 Operating Assistance (CRRSAA), 2022 Operating Assistance (CRRSAA), and 2022 Operating Assistance (ADTAP) – Planning Department

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Paul Heider, Committee Member
SECONDER:	Sandra Price, Committee Member
AYES:	Price, Harbin, Heider, Wilson, Eccleston, McGovern, Cleland

ON MOTION OF HARBIN

RESOLUTION NO.

Authorize Agreement with New York State Department of Transportation Federal 5311 Mass Transportation Capital Project Contract Number C004074 2021 Operating Assistance (CRRSAA), 2022 Operating Assistance (CRRSAA), and 2022 Operating Assistance (ADTAP) – Planning Department

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Legislature adopted Resolution No. 244-22, which authorized the County of Cortland to submit a request for the consolidated grant funds to the New York State Department of Transportation, pursuant Federal Section 5311, Title 49 of the United States Code, for projects(s) to provide public mass transportation service for fixed route and demand responsive service throughout the County, with limited service in contiguous counties by Transdev, Cortland County's public transportation provider, and the purchase of capital equipment that would consist of a transportation facility, new buses or other equipment, that would be used by Cortland County's public transportation provider; AND

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation is requesting a resolution to indicate Cortland County's acceptance of the Mass Transportation Capital Agreement under Contract Number C004074 to include specific PIN Numbers:

PIN Number 3790.04.402	2021 Operating Assistance (CRRSAA)
PIN Number 3790.04.40A	2022 Operating Assistance (CRRSAA)

; NOW THEREFORE BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the total project cost is \$434,056; AND BE IT FUTHER

RESOLVED, that the County Administrator, upon review and approval by the County Attorney or designee, be and is hereby authorized to sign the New York State Department of Transportation Mass Capital Agreement Contract C004074 for specific PIN Numbers stated above.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – Abolish Assistant Planner/Create GIS Planner - Planning Department

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

Next: 4/25/2024 6:00 PM

MOVER: Reed Cleland, Committee Member

SECONDER: Susan Wilson, Committee Member

AYES: Price, Harbin, Heider, Wilson, Eccleston, McGovern, Cleland

ON MOTION OF HARBIN

RESOLUTION NO.

Abolish Assistant Planner/Create GIS Planner - Planning Department

WHEREAS, the needs of the Planning Department will be better served by abolishing one (1) Assistant Planner position and creating one (1) GIS Planner position; AND

WHEREAS, the Agriculture, Planning and Environmental Committee recommends the abolition and creation of these positions; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that one (1) position of Assistant Planner (Grade 16, CSEA, \$23.8479-30.1854/hr, competitive class, full time with benefits) be and hereby is abolished effective April 25, 2024 at midnight; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that one (1) position of GIS Planner (Grade 19, CSEA, \$26.4962-33.5375/hr, competitive class, full time with benefits) be created with permission to fill effective April 26, 2024 at 12:01 am.

MONTHLY REPORTS

1. SPCA Report - April 2024

RESULT: COMPLETED

2. Activity Report - April 2024 - Planning Department

RESULT: COMPLETED

3. Soil & Water Monthly Report

RESULT: COMPLETED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was closed at 11:15 AM



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Melissa Potter	Cortland County, NY	Mobility Manager	Present	
Margaret Mellott	Cortland Standard	Reporter	Present	
Ronald J. Van Dee	Cortland County, NY	Board Member	Late	10:16 AM
Cathy Bischoff	Cortland County, NY	Board Member	Late	10:38 AM
Andrea Herzog	Cortland County, NY	Director of Finance	Remote	
Donald Chu	Cortland County, NY	Resident	Remote	
Mecke Nagel	Cortland County, NY	Resident	Late	11:00 AM

Minutes Acceptance: Minutes of Mar 14, 2024 10:00 AM (MINUTES)

MINUTES

1. Ag/Planning/Environmental - Committee Meeting - Feb 8, 2024 10:00 AM

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
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SECONDER:	Paul Heider, Committee Member
AYES:	Price, Harbin, Heider, Eccleston, McGovern, Cleland
EXCUSED:	Susan Wilson

RESOLUTIONS

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3. Soil & Water Conservation District Monthly Report

RESULT:	COMPLETED
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4. Activity Report - March 2024 - Planning Department

RESULT:	COMPLETED
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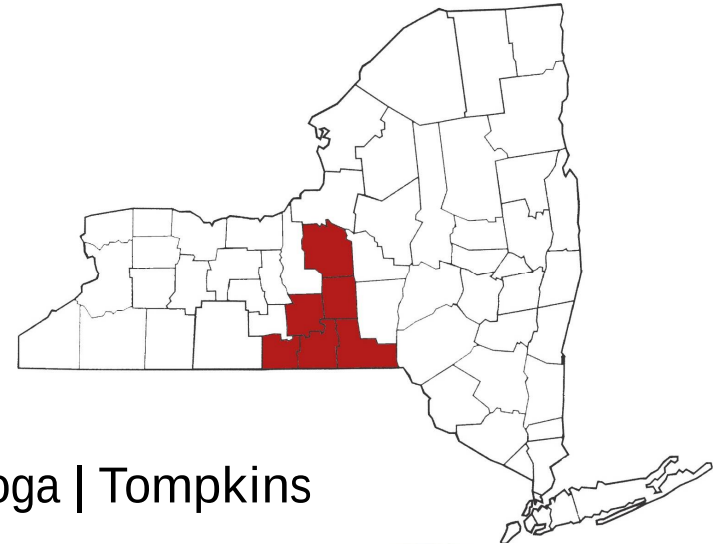
DISCUSSION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was closed at 11:04 AM

The **South-Central Dairy and Field Crops Program** is a Cornell Cooperative Extension partnership between Cornell University and the CCE associations in six counties.

Broome | Cayuga | Chemung | Cortland | Tioga | Tompkins



Janice Degni
Field Crop Specialist

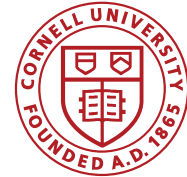


Betsy Hicks
Dairy Specialist

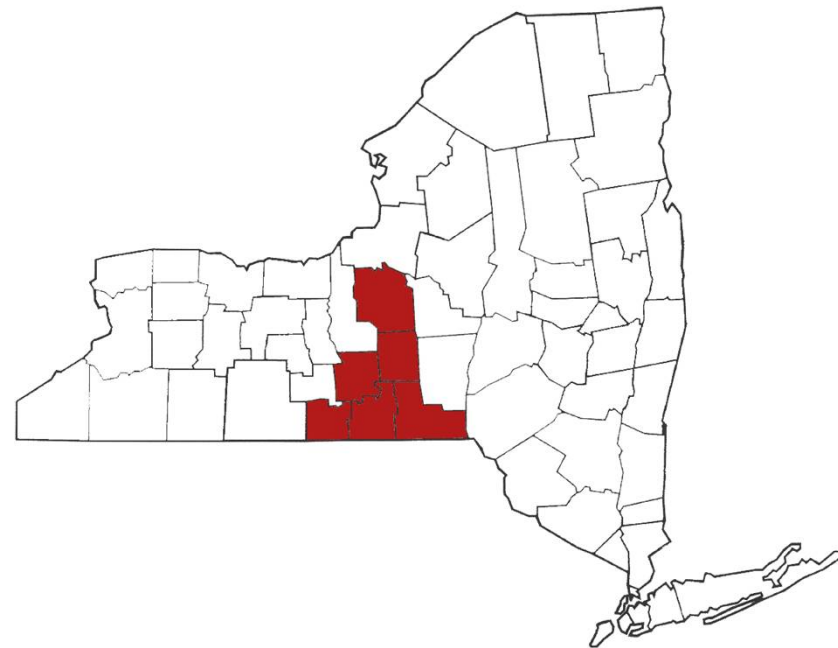


Donette Griffith
Administrative Assistant

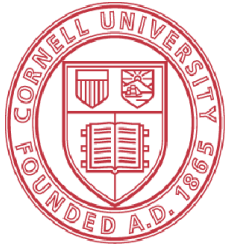
Team Members:



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Name of Presenter / Event or Location / Date
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Cornell University
Cooperative Extension
South Central New York Dairy & Field Crops Team

Provide **educational opportunities** and **technical assistance** to help the industry with **emerging issues**, **production bottlenecks**, and **new technologies**.

Our primary audiences are dairy and field crop producers as well as agri-service providers with secondary audiences of the media, non-farm residents and consumers.

We focus on areas that will help improve **farm profitability** within the region since farm financial success is a key to **maintaining a viable dairy and field crops industry**.

Cornell Cooperative Extension | South Central New York Dairy & Field Crops

We develop educational forums to maintain & develop the regional Dairy & Field Crops industry

- Implement research findings,
- Develop and hone management skills and
- Support beneficial economic decisions while addressing one's business and personal goals
- Stay current with technology



We are Extension professionals providing technical information, management expertise and training for producers and agri-serve, as well as support a better understanding of agriculture by community residents.

Hay & Forage Grower

HAY SILAGE LIVESTOCK GRAZING MARKETS EQUIPMENT FARMS MAC

There's no cutting like first cutting

April 28, 2020 08:00 AM

By Mike Rankin

“FIRST CUTTING
usually defines the
success of the
forage-making year.”

– M. Rankin

GREATEST OPPORTUNITY – to
harvest highest concentration of
digestible fiber of any summer
cutting



WHY Measure Alfalfa Heights?



- Relatively Quick & Easy
- Validated with Scissor Cut Samples & Forage Analysis
- Using Maturity stage or calendar date inconsistent

First Cutting Monitoring – May 10th, 2022 SCNY Report



This is the SCNY Team's second week of monitoring alfalfa heights for first cutting quality in 2022. A full report for the seven-county region can be found in the following link: [Alfalfa Height Reporting Sheet 5.10.22](#)

If you're interest in the CNY Team's weekly report, it can be found in the following link: [Field Crop Update May 10, 2022](#). The CNY Team covers Chenango, Madison, Herkimer, Fulton, Montgomery, Otsego, Saratoga & Schoharie Counties.

This week's updates ...

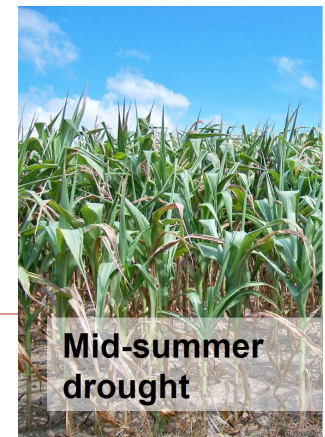
On average, this past week saw 2.5 to over 4 inches of growth in alfalfa fields.

Broome – 9.1" average, 2.6" gain → *location & elevation dependent, approaching*

Name		SCNY Dairy & FC Team		Date	5/2/2023					
County	Town	Road Name	Elevation	Alfalfa Height Inches	Predicted Grass % NDF	Predicted 50/50 Mix % NDF	Predicted Alfalfa % NDF	Predicted Date to Cut Grass	Predicted Date to Cut Mix	Predicted Date to Cut Alfalfa
Broome	Colesville	Winsor Place	980	16	50.8	38.0	29.7	5/1/23	5/9/23	5/18/23
Broome	Colesville	Route 79	930	16	50.8	38.0	29.7	5/1/23	5/9/23	5/18/23
Broome	Ouaquaga	Rte 79 & Seward Rd	935	15	50.0	37.1	29.0	5/2/23	5/10/23	5/20/23
Broome	Lisle	Flat by bunks	950	16.5	51.3	38.4	30.1	4/30/23	5/8/23	5/17/23
Broome	Lisle	George St.	1329	13.5	48.7	35.8	28.0	5/3/23	5/12/23	5/22/23
Cayuga	Genoa	Route 34	1105	13	48.2	35.4	27.6	5/3/23	5/12/23	5/22/23
Cayuga	Sterling	Maroney	407	10	45.6	32.8	25.5	5/6/23	5/16/23	5/27/23
Cayuga	Ira	Farnam	439	10	45.6	32.8	25.5	5/6/23	5/16/23	5/27/23
Cayuga	Victory	Broadway	428	12	47.4	34.5	26.9	5/4/23	5/13/23	5/24/23
Cayuga	Cato	Bonta Bridge	420	13	48.2	35.4	27.6	5/3/23	5/12/23	5/22/23
Cayuga	Conquest	River	413	12	47.4	34.5	26.9	5/4/23	5/13/23	5/24/23
Cayuga	Brutus	Jericho	513	14	49.1	36.3	28.3	5/2/23	5/11/23	5/21/23
Cayuga	Aurelius	Turnpike	502	13	48.2	35.4	27.6	5/3/23	5/12/23	5/22/23
Cayuga	Sennett	Miller	758	10	45.6	32.8	25.5	5/6/23	5/16/23	5/27/23
Cayuga	Springport	Route 326	596	12	47.4	34.5	26.9	5/4/23	5/13/23	5/24/23
Cayuga	Ledyard	Dublin Hill Rd	879	11	46.5	33.7	26.2	5/5/23	5/14/23	5/25/23
Cayuga	Venice	Tile Kiln Rd	1168	12	47.4	34.5	26.9	5/4/23	5/13/23	5/24/23
Cayuga	Fleming	Rice Rd	1155	11	46.5	33.7	26.2	5/5/23	5/14/23	5/25/23
Chemung	Wellsburg	Stanley Roberts Road	815	14	49.1	36.3	28.3	5/2/23	5/11/23	5/21/23
Chemung	Wellsburg	Wilawana Road	800	13	48.2	35.4	27.6	5/3/23	5/12/23	5/22/23
Chemung	Veteran	Middle Road and Smith	950	10	45.6	32.8	25.5	5/6/23	5/16/23	5/27/23
Chemung	Horseheads	Dann Blvd		11	46.5	33.7	26.2	5/5/23	5/14/23	5/25/23
Chemung	Horseheads	Dann Blvd	1330	10	45.6	32.8	25.5	5/6/23	5/16/23	5/27/23
Cortland	Homer	Houghton Hill	1526	12.5	47.8	35.0	27.3	5/4/23	5/13/23	5/23/23
Cortland	Homer	Cutler Road	1310	11	46.5	33.7	26.2	5/5/23	5/14/23	5/25/23
Cortland	Preble	Currie Road & Route 11	1190	14	49.1	36.3	28.3	5/2/23	5/11/23	5/21/23
Cortland	Preble	East Hill	1812	7	Too Early	Too Early	Too Early	Too Early	Too Early	Too Early
Cortland	Homer	E. Homer Baltimore Rd	1526	10	45.6	32.8	25.5	5/6/23	5/16/23	5/27/23
Cortland	Homer	1748 O'Shea Rd	1488	10	45.6	32.8	25.5	5/6/23	5/16/23	5/27/23
Cortland	Marathon	Francis Road	1060	10	45.6	32.8	25.5	5/6/23	5/16/23	5/27/23
Cortland	Virgil	Page Green Rd.	1450	8	Too Early	Too Early	Too Early	Too Early	Too Early	Too Early
Cortland	Virgil	Church Street	1420	11	46.5	33.7	26.2	5/5/23	5/14/23	5/25/23
Onondaga	Skaneateles	Route 38A	879	10	45.6	32.8	25.5	5/6/23	5/16/23	5/27/23
Tioga	Nichols	E River Rd.	810	14	49.1	36.3	28.3	5/2/23	5/11/23	5/21/23
Tioga	Owego	Glen Mary Rd	850	13	48.2	35.4	27.6	5/3/23	5/12/23	5/22/23

Building Resilient Cropping Systems

- Greater incidence of climate extremes
- Precipitation Events – short, powerful
- Negative consequence = erosion
- Deficient or excessive water makes crop production challenging
- Short-term – negative impact on water quality
- Long-term – degraded soils & reduced long-term productivity



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**Soil Health Seminars
help drive the
successful adoption
of practices,
technologies or
equipment that help
build soil health**



Crop Enterprise Education Plans for 2023



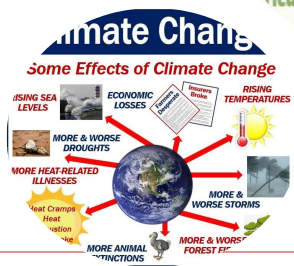
Soil Health



Crop Protection



Environmental Stewardship



USDA/NYS: Climate-Smart Farms and Forests

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Feeder Schools – Auburn & Cortland

November 2022, March 2023; English & Spanish



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Equipment Maintenance & Safety Workshop



- November 14th, Elkendale Farm, Locke
- Guest presentations by NYCAMH & local equipment dealer
- 16 Spanish Speaking participants

Hands-on Animal Care Dairy Training



- Completion of the course will count as annually required continuing education credits for the FARM Animal Care Program
- Offered in both English and Spanish March 2024

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“Healthy Herds” Grant Project

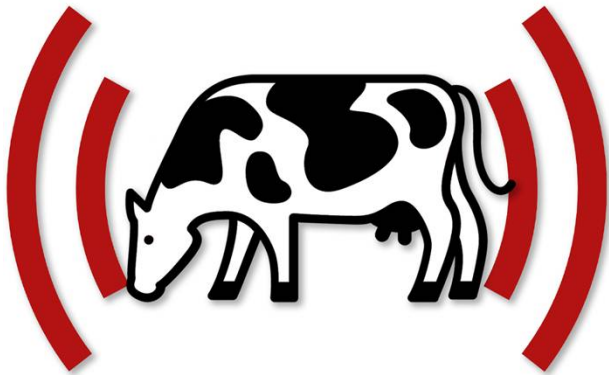


- 18 farms across three regions in NY
- On-farm & records assessment
- Reports compiled & delivered to 6 SCNY farms
- Farms making changes
 - More drinking water availability
 - Reducing stocking density
 - Working with vet on protocols
- Visit in Spring to reassess



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Cornell Cow Convos – New Podcast!



Topics:

Preventative healthcare for cows

The trend of beef on dairy

What to look forward to in the new year for dairy

Socially grouping or pair-housing calves

On-going podcast, release 1/month

Guest speakers, CCE Dairy Specialists

Housed on Soundcloud

Channel is CCE Dairy Educators

Whole Farm Efficiencies Webinar Series

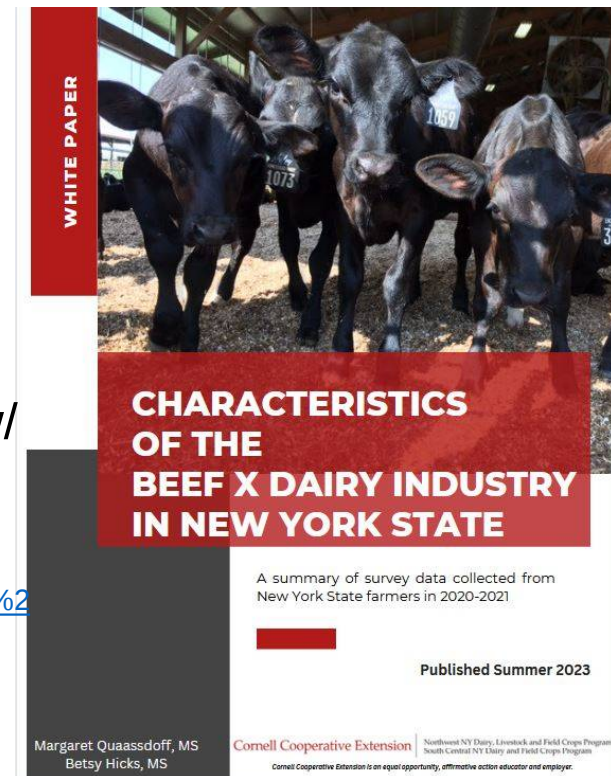


- Precision feeding
- Labor management
- Feed management
- Labor onboarding
- Milk quality
- Transition period
- Maximizing your return on colostrum
- Targeted reproduction programs
- Reproductive Evaluation
- Replacements & Beef x Dairy



Supporting the Beef x Dairy Industry

- BxD cattle are a boon to dairy farmers right now
- Lots of BxD cattle being raised in NY
- Second survey just released – over 50 responses
- Helped a Cayuga County grower submit a NESARE Farmer Grant – funded
- “Cornell Cow Convos” Podcast episode on BxD w/ Margaret Quaassdorff featured in Hoard’s Intel
- https://hoards.com/article-34548-get-dairy-beef-right-to-make-it-pay.html?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=231225-540&utm_content=231225-540+CID_78f6f1e0720c0dbd0215b9d369f14bcf&utm_source=Intel&utm_term=Read%20More



Bale Grazing Grant

- w/ Brett Chedzoy, CCE Schuyler
- One beef farm doing bale grazing this winter
- Cortland Dairy Farm to start participation winter 2025



Cornell Small Farms Grazing Course

- February – March, 6 weeks
- With Rich Taber, CCE Chenango



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Applied Research Projects

- Tie Stall Cow Comfort Project – NYFVI funded
- Focus on Farm Management – NYFVI funded
- Pasture Regrowth Monitoring
- Beef x Dairy Survey
- Economics of Lameness – Dairy Advancement Program funded

Tie Stall Project

- 22 farms total, 11 in SCNY Region 2017-2019
- Lameness costly – 50 cow dairy @ 25% upwards of \$5000/year
- Investment - farms invested over \$50,000 to make changes and improvements for cow comfort
- Impact – if each farm reduced just one case of lameness per year and increased lying time 1 hour across their herd, \$15,000 per farm generated through additional milk and cost savings





- 15 farms total, 5 farms in SCNY Region 2019-2021
- Calves, Cow Comfort & Transition Cows – three impactful areas on a dairy farm
- Investments – alley grooving, new super hutches for calves, free stall improvements, new transition calf barn, over \$100,000 invested
- Impacts – reductions in lameness, improved calf health, reduced metabolic disease incidence, higher growth rates
- **“I was surprised on how a low investment change could make such a big improvement”**

Focus on Farm Management

What a Dairy & Field Crops Area Team Means to Cortland County: Economy Activity Supported for Value of Dollars Invested!

Economic Value to Cortland County*:

59 Dairies

13,819 Approx. dairy cows

3.4 M cwt milk produced

= 157.6 Million gallons of Milk/yr

3176 Corn grain ac

\$2.3 M farm gate income

10,259 Corn silage ac

\$9 M farm gate value

29,435 All Hay ac

\$14.3 M farm gate value

\$85.7 Million milk receipts

*Based on 2022 NE Federal Milk
Mrkt Order Stats & 2022 USDA
Ag Census



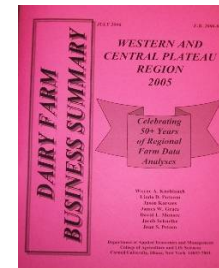
Crop Production



Dairy Management



Small Dairy Technologies & Marketing Opportunities



Farm Business Management



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Relative Cost of Support for Cortland County:

@ \$22,000/year for Extension Program:

\$0.064 /cwt

31 Corn grain ac
(@\$4.00/bu)

OR

25 Corn silage ac
(@\$50/ton)

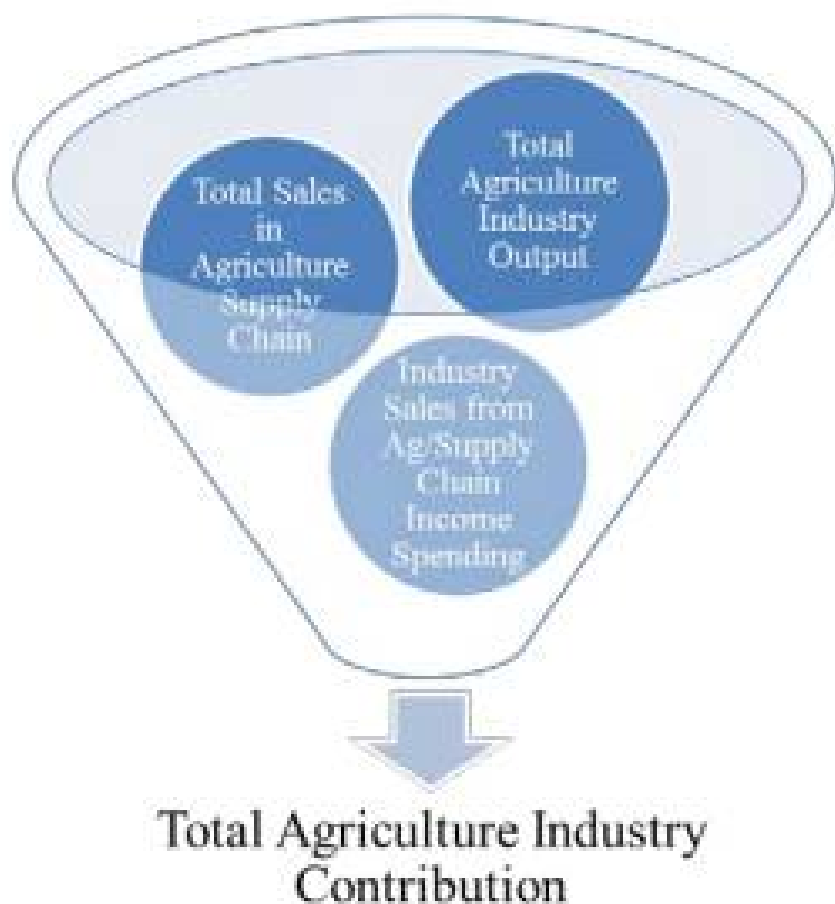


Figure 1. Elements of an agricultural economic contribution analysis.

Table 3. Economic contribution of agricultural production sectors, New York State, 2019.

	Direct ^a	Indirect ^b	Induced ^c	Total	Implicit Multiplier ^d
<u>Industry Output (\$ million)</u>					
Fruit and Vegetable	654	68	200	922	1.41
Greenhouse and Nursery	396	58	168	622	1.57
Grain, Oilseed, and Other Crops	809	155	227	1,191	1.47
Dairy	2,858	1,488	569	4,915	1.72
Beef, Poultry, and Other Animals	529	156	98	783	1.48
<u>Employment</u>					
Fruit and Vegetable	10,399	599	1,161	12,159	1.17
Greenhouse and Nursery	5,788	376	976	7,140	1.23
Grain, Oilseed, and Other Crops	22,057	1,055	1,321	24,433	1.11
Dairy	9,239	6,488	3,309	19,036	2.06
Beef, Poultry, and Other Animals	4,999	775	570	6,344	1.27
<u>Labor Income (\$ million)</u>					
Fruit and Vegetable	220	29	79	328	1.49
Greenhouse and Nursery	189	22	37	248	1.31
Grain, Oilseed, and Other Crops	226	56	90	371	1.64
Dairy	268	435	224	927	3.45
Beef, Poultry, and Other Animals	71	48	39	158	2.22
<u>Total Value Added (\$ million)</u>					
Fruit and Vegetable	559	45	134	738	1.32
Greenhouse and Nursery	302	37	112	452	1.49
Grain, Oilseed, and Other Crops	601	102	152	854	1.42
Dairy	727	835	380	1,943	2.67
Beef, Poultry, and Other Animals	248	88	65	401	1.62

Source: IMPLAN 2021

^a Direct effects represent total activity (sales, employment, labor income, value added) by respective industry.

^b Indirect effects represent all activity by the backward-linked supply chain industries.

^c Induced effects represent additional industry activity due to spending out of labor income by households in the directly and indirectly affected industries.

^d The implicit multiplier is calculated as the total effect divided by the direct effect.

2021 Regional Dairy Update

Broome, Cayuga, Chemung, Cortland, Onondaga, Tioga & Tompkins Counties

Dairy producers shipping milk ¹	302
Milk shipped in 2021 (hundredweight) ¹	27,653,160
Gross farm receipts per hundredweight ²	\$22.91
Total farm receipts (milk sales x receipts per hundredweight)	\$634 million
Total economic impact of regional dairy industry ³ [Implicit multiplier – 1.72] ³	\$1.09 billion
Hired labor expense per hundredweight ²	\$2.96
Total hired labor income (milk sales x labor expense per hundredweight)	\$82 million
Total contribution of regional dairy industry to labor income ³ [IM – 3.45] ³	\$282 million

1. The Market Administrator's Annual Statistical Bulletin 2021, https://www.fmmone.com/Monthly_Newsletter.htm
2. 2021 Preliminary Progress Report, Dairy Farm Business Summary, 34 farms from 11 counties in Central New York. Jason Karszes and Lauren Augello.
3. EB2021-04. The Economic Contributions of Agriculture to the New York State Economy: 2019. Todd Schmidt. https://dyson.cornell.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/5/2021/09/EB2021-04_TShmit-VD.pdf

2022 Regional Dairy Update

Broome, Cayuga, Chemung, Cortland, Tioga & Tompkins Counties

Dairy producers shipping milk ¹	242
Milk shipped in 2022 (hundredweight) ¹	20,988,980
Gross farm receipts per hundredweight ¹	\$24.92
Total farm receipts (milk sales x receipts per hundredweight)	\$524 million
Total economic impact of regional dairy industry ³ [Implicit multiplier – 1.72] ³	\$901 million
Hired labor expense per hundredweight ²	\$3.25
Total hired labor income (milk sales x labor expense per hundredweight) ²	\$68 million
Total contribution of regional dairy industry to labor income ³ [IM – 3.45] ³	\$235 million

1. The Market Administrator's Annual Statistical Bulletin 2021, https://www.fmmone.com/Monthly_Newsletter.htm
2. Cornell Dairy Farm Business Summary NYS, 2022, https://cals.cornell.edu/sites/default/files/2023-08/final_progress_report_2023_eb_2023-08_final-ua.pdf
3. EB2021-04. The Economic Contributions of Agriculture to the New York State Economy: 2019. Todd Schmidt. https://dyson.cornell.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/5/2021/09/EB2021-04_TShmit-VD.pdf



Personnel Change Justification Form

Requested Change: ☒ Abolish/Create ☐ Reallocation ☐ Abolish ☐ Create

Position Name (s): Create GIS Planner Abolish Assistant Planner

Bargaining Unit: CSEA

Purpose and Background:

With a growing need for GIS services and the ability to help other departments with solving mapping and data issues as well as helping with important roles such as working with several Municipalities on updating Comprehensive Plans and Zoning Regulations. This position would help move the department forward in providing better services for the general public as well as municipalities. (The funding saved in 2024 alone will cover the position cost different for the next 3 years).

Fiscal Impact: ☒ County Funded 100 % ☐ Grant Funded _____ % Grant Exp. Date _____

Current Grade/Salary of Position: Grade 16 Salary Range \$ 23.8479-30.1854/hr

Requested Grade/Salary of Position: Grade 19 Salary Range \$ 26.4962-33.5375/hr

Annual Increase: \$ 4,856 County Share: \$ 4,856 # of Positions Affected: 1

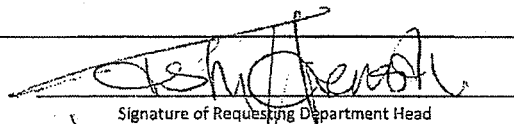
Goals:

Help build capacity to create a mapping and data platform that will serve all the County residents, agencies, and municipalities. Help increase economic development with a new data platform. Help aid municipalities in updating local regulations and planning efforts.

Operational Impact:

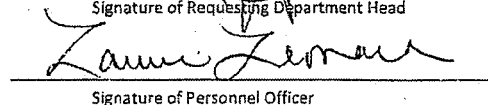
This minor change would make a major positive impact on operational productivity and help provide more experienced resources to work on impactful projects for our community that are currently being identified through the Strategic Development Planning process.

Requested By:


Signature of Requesting Department Head

4/3/24
Date

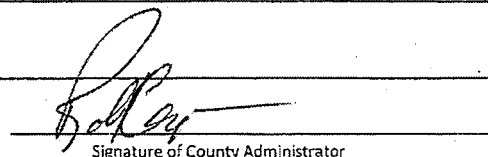
Personnel Officer Approval


Signature of Personnel Officer

4/4/24
Date

County Administrator Budget Impact Statement:

County Administrator Approval


Signature of County Administrator

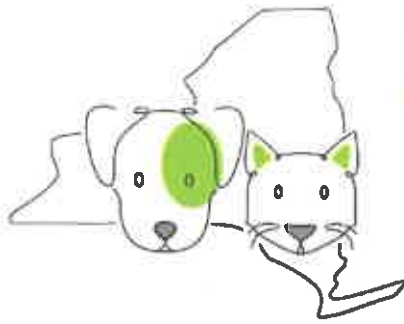
4/4/2024
Date

Statutory Committee Approval

Signature of Committee Chair after Committee Vote

Date

Attachment: Planning Justification (12172 : Abolish Assistant Planner/Create GIS Planner - Planning Department)



CORTLAND COUNTY SPCA

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www.CortlandSPCA.org

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(3/1/24 - 3/31/24)

Impounding and Boarding (excluding Article 7/Local Ordinance - Dog Control)

		# of Days	Cost
Canine	Impounded - Day 1	9	\$270.00
	Boarded Current Month	441	\$2,205.00
	Total Canine	450	\$2,475.00
Feline	Impounded - Day 1	19	\$570.00
	Boarded Current Month	456	\$2,280.00
	Total Feline	475	\$2,850.00
Other	Impounded - Day 1	0	\$0.00
	Boarded Current Month	0	\$0.00
	Total Other	0	\$0.00
Total Impounding and Boarding		925	\$5,325.00

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

March 2024 (3/1/24 - 3/31/24)

*Prior month(s) - entered after previous month report

Town of Cincinnatus

Complaints This Month	0
Complaints YTD	1

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: No complaint responses for animal cruelty this month.

Town of Cortlandville

Complaints This Month	2
Complaints YTD	13

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	1	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	1	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	1
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	1
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Report of starving dogs being injected with needles, not regularly fed/watered - unfounded and determined complainant was falsely reporting. Report of dog in vehicle for an hour - unable to locate.

Attachment: SPCA Cortland County Report - March 2024 (12183 : SPCA Report - April 2024)

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

March 2024 (3/1/24 - 3/31/24)

Town of Cuyler

Complaints This Month	0
Complaints YTD	1

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: No complaint responses for animal cruelty this month.

Town of Freetown

Complaints This Month	0
Complaints YTD	0

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: No complaint responses for animal cruelty this month.

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

March 2024 (3/1/24 - 3/31/24)

Town of Harford

Complaints This Month	2
Complaints YTD	8

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	1	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	1	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	1
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	1
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Owned elderly dog sick with severe medical issues - dog was owner surrendered due to age/dire health issues and was humanely euthanized. Complainant reported finding a paper grocery bag in dumpster with three deceased kittens inside - no eye witness(es) or sufficient evidence to charge.

Town of Homer

Complaints This Month	4
Complaints YTD	9

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	2	
Unable to Care For	1	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	1	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	1
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	1
No Violation/Unfounded	1
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	1
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Report of two horses inside corral standing in mud without shelter - horse owner is currently looking to move since she is renting property and not allowed to build a shelter. Owner is bringing the horses into the barn at night and during inclement weather until she is able to secure another property with shelter - compliance. Report of owner kicking dog in head - DA unable to prosecute due to no credible witnesses. Report via social worker, owners unable to care for dog - owner surrendered. Report of deplorable conditions in residence with emaciated dogs - unfounded, no violation.

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

March 2024 (3/1/24 - 3/31/24)

Town of Lapeer

Complaints This Month	0
Complaints YTD	3

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: No complaint responses for animal cruelty this month.

Town/Village of Marathon

Complaints This Month	2
Complaints YTD	2

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	1	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	1	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	1
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	1
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Homeless owner has three dogs and is in need of assistance - three dogs picked up and transported to shelter, two owner surrendered and one safe keeping. Cat owner moved and left three cats behind - all three cats picked up and transported to shelter for intake.

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

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Village of McGraw

Complaints This Month	0
Complaints YTD	3

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: No complaint responses for cruelty this month.

Town of Preble

Complaints This Month	3
Complaints YTD	3

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	1	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	2	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	1
Animal Picked Up/Impound	1
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	1
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Owned cat found deceased on sofa showing no evident cause of death - owner transported deceased cat to shelter to be sent for necropsy due to a previous child services and CCSO case. Report of chickens not being properly cared for inadequate shelter - no violation. Complainant witnessed a cat hit by car and believes it has a broken leg - SPCA transported cat to Cornell for medical care.

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

March 2024 (3/1/24 - 3/31/24)

Town of Scott

Complaints This Month	0
Complaints YTD	2

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: No complaint responses for animal cruelty this month.

Town of Solon

Complaints This Month	1
Complaints YTD	8

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	1	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	1
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Complainant reporting four cats left behind after the owner passed away and the family cleared out the late owner's belongings - one cat was brought to the shelter, the other two ran and hid, attempting to catch remaining cats with Have-A-Heart traps.

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report
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Town of Taylor

Complaints This Month	1
Complaints YTD	2

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	1	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	1
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Follow up to neglect of horse hooves - ferrier has been out to access and will be working with the horse weekly compliance.

Town of Truxton

Complaints This Month	0
Complaints YTD	1

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: No complaint responses for animal cruelty this month.

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

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Town of Virgil

Complaints This Month

1

Complaints YTD

4

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	1	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	1
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Report of a cat abandoned by family that is moving out - unfounded, the family is still in the process of moving and have not taken the cat to the new residence yet.

Town of Willet

Complaints This Month

2

Complaints YTD

2

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	1	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	1	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	2
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Complainant found a skinny, unhealthy cat that just showed up at his home, most likely abandoned - cat picked up and transported to shelter for intake. A sick cat showed up at complaint's residence, believed to be abandoned - cat picked up and transported to shelter for intake.

Complaint Totals this Month:

18

Complaints YTD:

62

After Hour Calls this Month:

3

After Hour Calls YTD:

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Planning Department

ACTIVITY REPORT

APRIL 2024

Strategic Development Plan

On Time & On Budget

- Five Public Meetings completed
 - Sixth Public Meeting requested – April 30th in McGraw
- Four Focus Group Meetings completed
- Follow-up Homelessness meeting – Solution Focused completed
- Pop-up events scheduled and more being identified
- Data from meetings and events being digitized



****Additional details provided at the end of report****

Administration

NYS ConnectALL – Broadband Challenge – Flyer Attached

CNY Regional Planning Board

- Application resubmitted to the NYS Municipal Infrastructure Program for middle mile broadband build out

Southern Tier 8

- IRT – DOD reviewing applications
- Tech Hub designation
- CEDS
- Opportunity Zone Collaboration
- Work on Planning Committee Regional Strategies
- Launch of Regional Portal - <https://www.so-tier.com/>

Snowmobile Grant

- 2022 – 2023 NYS Parks Audit due April 19th
- Club meeting scheduled for May 9th
- 2023 – 2024 Phase III due May 31st

Education and Outreach

- Training for local officials – April 16th
- Social media's being populated with content

DEC Open Space Plan being finalized

GIS

7 Address Assignment's

ESRI Online Portal Draft

- Link: <https://cortland-county-gis-portal-cortlandplanning.hub.arcgis.com/>

Energy

NYSERDA Clean Energy Communities program

- Energy webinar four part series completed
- Awarded \$5,000 Clean Energy Grant
- ***Awarded an additional \$10,000-\$15,000 Clean Energy Grant***
- Energy Task Force – Planning phase, resolution coming soon

Mobility

Operating Assistance Agreement – Resolution

- Authorize 2021 & 2022

2023 Annual Report and Safety Data

Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

- Meeting - April 15, 2024

Route 6

- Working on minor adjustment - Cortland to Dryden/TC3

Cortland Transit

- Short on 3 drivers and 1 technician

RFPs in progress:

- Rebranding
- Operation & Maintenance
- Transportation Facility –Engineering and Design Services
- Transportation Study
- Technology
- Electronic Farebox

Cortland County Planning Board Meeting – March 20th, 2024

GML 239 Reviews: (7 Returned for Local Determination)

- **City of Cortland – Peter Bennedy – GML No. 86.82-01-50.000 and 86.82-01-52.000** – Use Variance, Area Variances, Subdivision. Lot line adjustment including a dwelling.
- **Town of Cortlandville – Richard Carter, Jr. – GML No. # 96.33-01-09.100** – Use Variance. Storage of work vehicles and logs on residential site.
- **Town of Harford – Local Law** – Moratorium on wind energy conversion systems and meteorological towers.
- **Village of Homer – Updating of Code**, including complete overhauls of chapters on Vacant Buildings, Subdivision, Water and Sewer, and Zoning for digitization and online access.

OUR TEAM:



Trisha Hiemstra, PE
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Mobility
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Executive
Administrative Officer



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Planner



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Are you getting the internet speed you are paying for?
Test your speed & share your concerns with New York State's broadband office!



To visit the...

New York State Broadband Challenge Portal

ConnectALL wants your help to identify all of the locations in the state that do not have high speed internet service.

Submit Public Comment

Members of the Public and Other Stakeholders

Challenger Registration

Local/Tribal Governments, Nonprofits, and Internet Service Providers

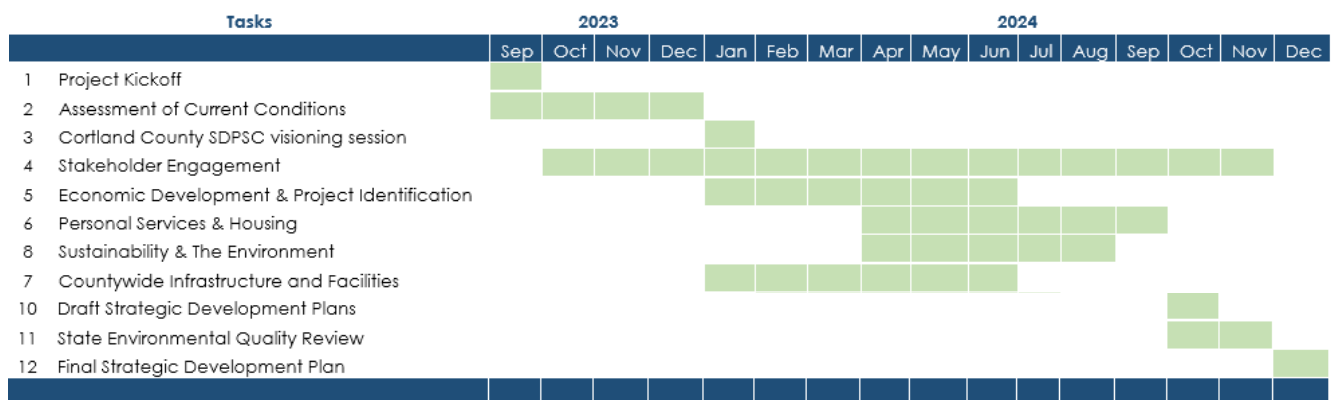
<https://register.broadband.ny.gov/>

The federal & state government is investing in broadband infrastructure... Your participation in this survey shows the State's decision makers the need in your community!

Complete the speed tests before April 15th, 2024 & thanks for sharing your opinion!
For questions about the program, please call Justin @ 585.643.2227

- ❖ Consultant has contacted municipal leaders for scheduling interviews
- ❖ Community summit tentatively scheduled for June
- ❖ "Bubbles" for students to fill in have been handed out to schools
 - "My FAVORITE thing about Cortland County is..."
 - "Cortland County would be BETTER if..."
- ❖ Data from public meetings, focus groups, and homelessness meeting being compiled
 - Identifying trends for concerns, wants, needs, and solutions
- ❖ Transportation, energy, and housing data being compiled

Workforce	Business	Environment	Quality of Life
Workforce Development	Economic Development	Energy	Tourism
Housing	Agriculture	Sustainability	Recreation
Education	Local business	Conservation	NGOs
Childcare/Eldercare	Entrepreneurship	Nature-based organizations	Libraries
	Chamber	Hazard Mitigation	Arts & Culture
			Healthcare
Interviews			
Municipal Leaders			
Emergency Services			
Utilities – Water, Sewer, Energy, Communication			
Transportation			



Who | What | Why

Who is involved in the planning process?

Local Lead: Cortland County Planning Department

Consultant Team: MRB Group, EDR

Steering Committee:

Melanie Vilardi
Deputy County Administrator, Cortland County

Trisha Hiemstra
Planning Director, Cortland County

Beau Harbin
County Legislator, Cortland County

Brendan O'Bryan
Executive Director, Cortland County
Business Development Corporation,
and Industrial Development Agency

Michelle Enright
Executive Director, Cortland County
Convention & Visitors Bureau

Bob Haight
President/CEO, Cortland Area Chamber of
Commerce

Amy Buggs
Workforce Development Director, Cortland
County

What is the Strategic Development Plan?

Cortland County is creating a Strategic Development Plan that will outline a vision, goals, and strategies to advance the county forward. The plan will act as a guiding document for county policy making and will direct strategies to attract new investment and negotiate development deals that enhance residents' quality of life.

Why create the Strategic Development Plan?

The planning process will engage residents to develop goals and strategies that will foster increased community resilience and generate positive economic impacts. With increasing amounts of funding opportunities available, now is the time to create a vision for Cortland County growth. The plan will support workforce development, create more affordable housing options, update infrastructure, and promote sustainable growth to Elevate Cortland.

ELEVATE CORTLAND
COUNTY STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Schedule

Year		2023				2024											
Month		Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
TASKS	Project Kickoff																
	Inventory and Analysis																
	Stakeholder Engagement																
	Draft Strategic Development Plans																
	Final Strategic Development Plan																

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SWCD...established to promote the conservation and wise use of our county's natural resources

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT MONTHLY REPORT - April

From: Amanda Barber, SWCD Manager

April 4, 2024

AGRICULTURE AND PRIVATE LAND CONSERVATION

Agricultural Environmental Management (AEM) – We have several new ag land owners/operators beginning the AEM process. The annual Chesapeake Bay best management practice (bmp) data gathering and verification process has started. All bmps installed or completed since June of 2023 must be reported to the EPA in order for NYS to realize their nutrient reduction credits toward meeting the TMDL regulatory limit. Staff will be sending out surveys and making farm visits to collect data and inspect previously installed bmps through June of this year.

Agricultural Nonpoint Abatement and Control Program (AGNP) – We have Round 27 and 28 design work still underway. We held one site showing for a Round 28 project with two more designs complete and awaiting landowner approval to go out for estimates. Round 29 projects are beginning to advance with engineering field visits and surveys. Coordinating with USDA-NRCS has created a few delays with required cultural and historic preservation reviews.

Climate Resilient Farming – Three Round 5 project grants are being closed. The fourth project has experienced significant delays as a result of landowner operational and priority changes. We continue to work toward a final design. A site showing is scheduled for next week for one Round 6 stream project and we held a landowner meeting to review preliminary site plans for another before launching into final design. The other two Round 6 projects are in various stages of design/survey. Contracting is underway for the six Round 7 applications recently funded.

COMMUNITY NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PLANNING

Little York Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District (LYLPRD) – Plans for lake management activities are underway for 2024. We are also working with a couple local universities to coordinate some additional studies to better understand the sources and movement of sediment in the lake.

Skaneateles Lake Watershed and Skaneateles Lake 9E Plan – A Watershed Advisory Committee meeting will be held April 10th. The draft 9E plan has been circulated for review by the committee. The evening of Tuesday, May 21st, at 6:00 PM is being held for the third and final public meeting. Details are forthcoming. Keep watch of the website for information <https://skaneateles9e.cnyrpd.org/>

The **Eastern Finger Lakes Coalition of Districts** is continuing development of a work plan in preparation for receiving funding to support District capacity in the Coalition.

Stream Restoration and Culvert Rehabilitation – We are closing the Sustain Our Great Lakes (SOGL) grant. We have submitted stream disturbance permit applications for two additional projects planned for 2024 construction in Virgil Creek, and are working on a permit and culvert size for a replacement project in Freetown. We contracted with another SWCD for engineering review and final design approved for the Grout Brook culvert replacement. Brackel Creek is permitted and ready for corridor stabilization work. We are awaiting a new

Attachment: SWCD - update 4 2024 (12182 : Soil & Water Monthly Report)

engineering proposal for McGraw. We are still working on contracting for several other WQIP grants for engineering and assessment funding.

Forestry – We will be getting spring planting stock for the waterworks and DOT property behind Wendy's, as well as several projects planned in cooperation with private landowners. There is still time to get materials for tree planting projects – contact us if interested.

Our Spring Seedling Sale was advertised as closing this week, but we have left the store open a few more days in hopes of selling the few remaining. The link is <https://cortlandsoilandwaterconservationdistrict.myshopify.com/>

CONSERVATION EDUCATION AND PROGRAMS

Our pond stocking program is underway. A variety of fish fingerlings can be purchased to stock your private pond. Check out our website for all the details. <https://cortlandswcd.org/sales/annual-pond-stocking-sale/>

Cortland County Envirothon planning is underway. It will May 13th at Camp Owahta. The NYS Envirothon will be held at SUNY Cortland this year on May 22 and 23. We are coordinating two tours for advisors and chaperones.

The 2024 Water Festival will be June 1st. Mark your calendar!

ADMINISTRATION

We hired two Conservation Assistants and are excited for the enthusiasm and skills they bring to the SWCD. Please welcome Jake Lynch and Brandan Aschmutat.

We continue to seek Engineer applicants.