



9.22 TOWN OF OSSIAN

This section presents the jurisdictional annex for the Town of Ossian. It includes resources and information to assist public and private sectors to reduce losses from future hazard events. This annex is not guidance of what to do when a disaster occurs. Rather, this annex concentrates on actions that can be implemented prior to a disaster to reduce or eliminate damage to property and people. This annex includes a general overview of the Town of Ossian and who in the Town participated in the planning process; an assessment of the Town of Ossian’s risk and vulnerability; the different capabilities utilized in the Town; and an action plan that will be implemented to achieve a more resilient community.

9.22.1 Hazard Mitigation Planning Team

The following individuals have been identified as the Town of Ossian’s hazard mitigation plan primary and alternate points of contact. The Town of Ossian followed the planning process described in Section 3 (Planning Process) in Volume I of this plan update. This annex was developed over the course of several months with input from many Town departments, including the Supervisor and Code Enforcement Officer. The Supervisor represented the community on the Livingston County Hazard Mitigation Plan Planning Partnership, Steering Committee, and supported the local planning process requirements by securing input from persons with specific knowledge to enhance the plan. All departments were asked to contribute to the annex development through reviewing and contributing to the capability assessment, reporting on the status of previously identified actions, and participating in action identification and prioritization.

The following table summarizes municipal officials that participated in the development of the annex and in what capacity. Additional documentation on the Town of Ossian’s planning process through Planning Partnership meetings is included in Section 3 (Planning Process) and Appendix C (Meeting Documentation).

Table 9.22-1. Hazard Mitigation Planning Team

Primary Point of Contact	Alternate Point of Contact
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Additional Contributors	
None	

9.22.2 Municipal Profile

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the Town has a total land area of approximately 39.7 square miles, of which 39.6 square miles is land and 0.04 square miles is water. The Town of Ossian shares a border with the Town’s of Burns, Dansville, Grove, North Dansville, Nunda, West Sparta, and shares a boundary with the Counties of Allegany, and Steuben. The Town of Ossian is the southern most municipality in Livingston County.

According to the U.S. Census, the 2019 population for the Town of Ossian was 724, an 8.24 percent decrease from the 2010 Census. Data from the 2019 U.S. Census American Community Survey indicate that 4.4 percent





of the population is 5 years of age or younger and 25.8 percent is 65 years of age or older. Communities must deploy a support system that enables all populations to safely reach shelters or to quickly evacuate a hazard area.

9.22.3 Jurisdictional Capability Assessment and Integration

The Town of Ossian performed an inventory and analysis of existing capabilities, plans, programs, and policies that enhance its ability to implement mitigation strategies. Section 5 (Capability Assessment) describes the components included in the capability assessment and their significance for hazard mitigation planning. This section summarizes the following findings of the assessment:

- An assessment of planning, legal and regulatory capabilities.
- Development and permitting capabilities.
- An assessment of administrative and technical capabilities
- An assessment of fiscal capabilities.
- An assessment of education and outreach capabilities.
- Classification under various community mitigation programs.
- The community’s adaptive capacity to withstand hazard events.

For a community to succeed in reducing long-term risk, hazard mitigation must be integrated into the day-to-day local government operations. As part of this planning effort, planning/policy documents were reviewed, and each jurisdiction was surveyed to obtain a better understanding of their progress in plan integration and how risk reduction is supported. Areas with current mitigation integration are summarized in this jurisdictional Capability Assessment (Section 9.22.3). The Town of Ossian’s identified opportunities for integration of mitigation concepts to be incorporated into municipal procedures are included in the updated mitigation strategy.

Planning, Legal, and Regulatory Capability

The table below summarizes the regulatory tools that are available to the Town of Ossian. Section 5 (Capability Assessment) provides an overview of the planning, legal and regulatory capabilities. The following table summarizes what is present in the jurisdiction and discusses if the mechanisms have been or could be leveraged to reduce risk.

Table 9.22-2. Planning, Legal, and Regulatory Capability

	Jurisdiction has this? (Yes/No)	Required by State? (Yes/No)	Code Citation and Date (code chapter, name of plan, date of plan)	Authority (local, county, state, federal)	Individual / Department / Agency Responsible
Codes, Ordinances, & Regulations					
Building Code	Yes	Yes	NYS CODE	State and Local	CEO
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i> Protects against wind/storm damage, flooding and energy efficiency					
Zoning/Land Use Code	Yes	No	Zoning Law of the Town of Ossian Local Law #2 2-2020	Local	CEO
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Subdivision Ordinance	No	No		Local	
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i>					
Site Plan Ordinance	Yes	No	Zoning Law, Article 9	Local and County	CEO
<i>How does this reduce risk?</i> Guides development away from natural and natural hazard areas, set backs, natural cover, traffic, erosion					
Stormwater Management Ordinance	Yes	Yes	Zoning Law, Article 9, Section 9-5	Local	CEO



	Jurisdiction has this? (Yes/No)	Required by State? (Yes/No)	Code Citation and Date (code chapter, name of plan, date of plan)	Authority (local, county, state, federal)	Individual / Department / Agency Responsible
How does this reduce risk? Protects adjacent areas from offsite runoff and erosion					
Post-Disaster Recovery/ Reconstruction Ordinance	No	No			
How does this reduce risk?					
Real Estate Disclosure	Yes	Yes	Property Condition Disclosure Act, NY Code - Article 14 §460-467	State	NYS Department of State, Real Estate Agent
How does this reduce risk? In addition to facing potential liability for failing to disclose under the exceptions to “caveat emptor,” a home seller must make certain disclosures under the law or pay a credit of \$500 to the buyer at closing. While the PCDA requires a seller to complete a standardized disclosure statement and deliver it to the buyer before the buyer signs the final purchase contract, in practice, most home sellers in New York opt not to complete the statement and instead pay the credit.					
Growth Management	No	No		Local	
How does this reduce risk?					
Environmental Protection Ordinance	Yes – Land Conservation/Site plan Review	Yes	Zoning Law Article 6, Section 6-1 and Article 9, Section 9-5	Local	CEO
How does this reduce risk? SEE BELOW Consider the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are environmental systems that protect development from hazards identified and mapped? YES • Do environmental policies maintain and restore protective ecosystems? MAINTAIN • Do the ordinances prohibit development within, of filling of, wetlands, floodways, and floodplains? YES • Do environmental policies provide incentives to development that is located outside protective ecosystems? NO 					
Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance	Yes	Yes - BFE+2 feet for all construction in the SFHA (residential and non-residential)	Local Law 1-1989	Federal, State, County and Local	Code Enforcement
How does this reduce risk? Informs development within flood hazard areas.					
Wellhead Protection	No	No			
How does this reduce risk?					
Emergency Management Ordinance	No	Yes			
How does this reduce risk?					
Climate Change Ordinance	No	No			
How does this reduce risk?					
Other		-			
Planning Documents					
Master Plan	Yes	No	Town of Ossian Comp Plan	Local	Supervisor
How does this reduce risk? Limits development in vulnerable areas and guides development away from those areas.					
Capital Improvement Plan	No	No			
How does this reduce risk?					
Disaster Debris Management Plan	No	No			
How does this reduce risk?					
Floodplain Management or Watershed Plan	No	No			
How does this reduce risk?					



	Jurisdiction has this? (Yes/No)	Required by State? (Yes/No)	Code Citation and Date (code chapter, name of plan, date of plan)	Authority (local, county, state, federal)	Individual / Department / Agency Responsible
Stormwater Management Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Open Space Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	Yes			
Urban Water Management Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Habitat Conservation Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Economic Development Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Shoreline Management Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	Yes, in jurisdictions with CEHA areas	Article 34, Environmental Conservation Law, Coastal Erosion Hazard Areas	Yes, in jurisdictions with CEHA areas	
Community Wildfire Protection Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Community Forest Management Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Transportation Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Agriculture Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i> Considers and protects natural areas/buffers	Yes	No	Ossian Ag & Farmland Protection Plan	Local	Supervisor
Climate Action/Resiliency/Sustainability Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Tourism Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Business/ Downtown Development Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Other					
Response/Recovery Planning					
Emergency Operations Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	Yes			
Strategic Recovery Planning Report <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Threat & Hazard Identification & Risk Assessment (THIRA) <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	Yes			



	Jurisdiction has this? (Yes/No)	Required by State? (Yes/No)	Code Citation and Date (code chapter, name of plan, date of plan)	Authority (local, county, state, federal)	Individual / Department / Agency Responsible
Post-Disaster Recovery Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Continuity of Operations Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Public Health Plan <i>How does this reduce risk?</i>	No	No			
Other		-			

Development and Permitting Capability

The table below summarizes the capabilities of the Town of Ossian to oversee and track development.

Table 9.22-3. Development and Permitting Capability

Indicate if your jurisdiction implements the following	Yes/No	Comment
Do you issue development permits? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If yes, what department is responsible? If no, what is your process for development? 	Yes	Planning and zoning
Are permits tracked by hazard area? (For example, floodplain development permits.)	No	
Do you have a buildable land inventory? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If yes, describe. If no, quantitatively describe the level of buildout in the jurisdiction. 	No	Town of Ossian is a rural township with 5% of the land base developed, 66% in natural cover (primarily forest land) and 29% in agriculture, most of which is in a priority farmland protected area.

Administrative and Technical Capability

The table below summarizes potential staff and personnel resources available to the Town of Ossian and their current responsibilities which contribute to hazard mitigation.

Table 9.22-4. Administrative and Technical Capabilities

Resources	Available? (Yes/No)	Comments (available staff, responsibilities, support of hazard mitigation)
Administrative Capability		
Planning Board	Yes	Site plan reviews
Zoning Board of Adjustments	Yes	Flood hazard considerations
Planning Department	No	
Mitigation Planning Committee	No	
Environmental Board/Commission	No	
Open Space Board/Committee	No	
Economic Development Commission/Committee	No	
Public Works/Highway Department	Yes	Maintain drainages to protect from flooding and road and property damages
Construction/Building/Code Enforcement Department	Yes	Enforces local laws – see above



Resources	Available? (Yes/No)	Comments (available staff, responsibilities, support of hazard mitigation)
Emergency Management/Public Safety Department	No	
Maintenance programs to reduce risk (stormwater maintenance, tree trimming, etc.)	Yes	Part of highway dept.
Mutual aid agreements	No	Contract with Village of Dansville
Human Resources Manual	No	
Other	Yes	Ag. & Farmland Protection Committee
Technical/Staffing Capability		
Planners or engineers with knowledge of land development and land management practices	No	
Engineers or professionals trained in building or infrastructure construction practices	No	
Planners or engineers with an understanding of natural hazards	No	
Staff with expertise or training in benefit/cost analysis	No	
Professionals trained in conducting damage assessments	No	
Personnel skilled or trained in GIS and/or Hazards United States (HAZUS) – Multi-Hazards (MH) applications	No	
Scientist familiar with natural hazards	No	
Surveyor(s)	No	
Emergency Manager	No	
Grant writer(s)	No	
Resilience Officer	No	
Other (this could include stormwater engineer, environmental specialist, etc.)	No	

Fiscal Capability

The table below summarizes financial resources available to the Town of Ossian.

Table 9.22-5. Fiscal Capabilities

Financial Resources	Are these accessible or eligible to use for mitigation? (Yes/No) If yes, please describe. If no, can this be used to support in the future?
Community development Block Grants (CDBG, CDBG-DR)	No
Capital improvements project funding	No
Authority to levy taxes for specific purposes	No
User fees for water, sewer, gas or electric service	No
Impact fees for homebuyers or developers of new development/homes	No
Stormwater utility fee	No
Incur debt through general obligation bonds	No
Incur debt through special tax bonds	No



Financial Resources	Are these accessible or eligible to use for mitigation? (Yes/No) If yes, please describe. If no, can this be used to support in the future?
Incur debt through private activity bonds	No
Withhold public expenditures in hazard-prone areas	No
Other federal or state Funding Programs	No, possibly in future
Open Space Acquisition funding programs	No, possibly in future
Other (for example, Clean Water Act 319 Grants [Nonpoint Source Pollution])	No, possibly in future

Education and Outreach Capability

The table below summarizes the education and outreach resources available to the Town of Ossian.

Table 9.22-6. Education and Outreach Capabilities

Outreach Resources	Available? (Yes/No)	Does the jurisdiction have any public outreach mechanisms / programs in place to inform citizens on natural hazards, risk, and ways to protect themselves during such events? If yes, please describe.
Public information officer or communications office	No	
Personnel skilled or trained in website development	Yes	Website updated regularly
Is hazard mitigation information available on your website?	Not Yet	
Social media for hazard mitigation education and outreach	No	
Citizen boards or commissions that address issues related to hazard mitigation	No	
Other programs already in place that could be used to communicate hazard-related information	No	
Warning Systems / Services (mass notification system, outdoor warning signals)	No	
Natural disaster/safety programs in place for schools	No	
Other		

Community Classifications

The table below summarizes classifications for community programs available to the Town of Ossian.

Table 9.22-7. Community Classifications

Program	Participating? (Yes/No)	Classification (if applicable)	Date Classified (if applicable)
Community Rating System (CRS)	No		
Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule (BCEGS)	No		
Public Protection (ISO Fire Protection Classes 1 to 10)	No		
NYSDEC Climate Smart Community	No		
StormReady Certification	No		



Program	Participating? (Yes/No)	Classification (if applicable)	Date Classified (if applicable)
Firewise Communities classification	No		
Other			

Note:

N/A Not applicable NP Not participating - Unavailable

Adaptive Capacity

Adaptive capacity is defined as “the ability of systems, institutions, humans and other organisms to adjust to potential damage, to take advantage of opportunities, or respond to consequences” (IPCC 2014). In other words, it describes a jurisdiction’s current capabilities to adjust to, protect from, or withstand a future hazard event, future conditions, and changing risk. The table below summarizes the adaptive capacity for each hazard of concern and the jurisdiction’s rating.

Table 9.22-8. Adaptive Capacity

Hazard	Adaptive Capacity - Strong/Moderate/Weak*
Drought	Moderate
Earthquake	Moderate
Flood	Moderate
Hazardous Materials	Moderate
Invasive Species	Moderate
Landslide	Moderate
Mine Subsidence	Moderate
Pandemic	Moderate
Severe Storm	Strong
Severe Winter Storm	Strong
Terrorism	Moderate
Utility Failure	Moderate
Wildfire	Moderate

*Strong Capacity exists and is in use

Moderate Capacity may exist; but is not used or could use some improvement

Weak Capacity does not exist or could use substantial improvement

9.22.4 National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Compliance

This section provides specific information on the management and regulation of the regulatory floodplain, including current and future compliance with the NFIP.

Table 9.22-9. NFIP Summary

Town of Ossian	# Policies	# Claims (Losses)	Total Loss Payments	# RL Properties	# SRL Properties	# Policies in the 1% Flood Boundary
Town of Ossian	1	0	\$0.00	N/A	N/A	1
NFIP Topic			Comments			
Flood Vulnerability Summary						
Describe areas prone to flooding in your jurisdiction.			Limited areas along Sugar Creek and Canaseraga Creek			





Town of Ossian	# Policies	# Claims (Losses)	Total Loss Payments	# RL Properties	# SRL Properties	# Policies in the 1% Flood Boundary
Town of Ossian	1	0	\$0.00	N/A	N/A	1
NFIP Topic			Comments			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do you maintain a list of properties that have been damaged by flooding? 			No			
Do you maintain a list of property owners interested in flood mitigation? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How many homeowners and/or business owners are interested in mitigation (elevation or acquisition)? 			No			
Are any RiskMAP projects currently underway in your jurisdiction? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If so, state what projects are underway. 			No			
How do you make Substantial Damage determinations? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How many were declared for recent flood events in your jurisdiction? 			N/A			
How many properties have been mitigated (elevation or acquisition) in your jurisdiction? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If there are mitigation properties, how were the projects funded? 			None			
Do your flood hazard maps adequately address the flood risk within your jurisdiction? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If not, state why. 			Yes			
NFIP Compliance						
What local department is responsible for floodplain management?			Code Enforcement			
Are any certified floodplain managers on staff in your jurisdiction?			No			
Do you have access to resources to determine possible future flooding conditions from climate change?			Yes			
Does your floodplain management staff need any assistance or training to support its floodplain management program? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If so, what type of assistance/training is needed? 			No			
Provide an explanation of NFIP administration services you provide (e.g. permit review, GIS, education/outreach, inspections, engineering capability)			None			
How do you determine if proposed development on an existing structure would qualify as a substantial improvement?			N/A			
What are the barriers to running an effective NFIP program in the community, if any?			Applicability			
Does your jurisdiction have any outstanding NFIP compliance violations that need to be addressed? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If so, state the violations. 			No			
When was the most recent Community Assistance Visit (CAV) or Community Assistance Contact (CAC)?			N/A			
What is the local law number or municipal code of your flood damage prevention ordinance? What is the date that your flood damage prevention ordinance was last amended?			Local Law 1-1989			
Does your floodplain management program meet or exceed minimum requirements?			N/A			



Town of Ossian	# Policies	# Claims (Losses)	Total Loss Payments	# RL Properties	# SRL Properties	# Policies in the 1% Flood Boundary
Town of Ossian	1	0	\$0.00	N/A	N/A	1
NFIP Topic				Comments		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If exceeds, in what ways? 						
Are there other local ordinances, plans or programs (e.g. site plan review) that support floodplain management and meeting the NFIP requirements? For instance, does the planning board or zoning board consider efforts to reduce flood risk when reviewing variances such as height restrictions?				Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Law		
Does your jurisdiction participate in CRS? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If yes, is your jurisdiction interested in improving its CRS Classification? If no, is your jurisdiction interested in joining the CRS program? 				No		

Notes:

RL Repetitive Loss; SRL Severe Repetitive Loss

9.22.5 Evacuation, Sheltering, Temporary Housing, and Permanent Housing

Evacuation routes, sheltering measures, temporary housing, and permanent housing must all be in place and available for public awareness to protect residents, mitigate risk, and relocate residents, if necessary, to maintain post-disaster social and economic stability.

Evacuation Routes

The Town uses the major roads, in in and out of the municipality for evacuations if needed.

Sheltering

The Town of Ossian has not identified sheltering locations for their residents. In the event sheltering is needed, the Town will work with the County to find suitable locations.

Temporary Housing

The Town of Ossian has not identified sites for the placement of temporary housing for residents displaced by a disaster or potential sites suitable for relocating structures out of the floodplain and/or building new homes once properties in the floodplain are acquired. In the event temporary housing is needed, the Town will work with the County to find suitable locations.

Permanent Housing

While the Town of Ossian did not identify potential locations for permanent housing, as part of the planning process, a countywide buildable land analysis was conducted and presented in Section 4 (County Profile). The Town can utilize this analysis to identify potential locations.

9.22.6 Growth/Development Trends

Understanding how past, current, and projected development patterns have or are likely to increase or decrease risk in hazard areas is a key component to understanding a jurisdiction’s overall risk to its hazards of concern. Table 9.22-10 summarizes recent and expected future development trends, including major



residential/commercial development and major infrastructure development. New and proposed development in the Town is not expected to impact vulnerability to hazards.

Table 9.22-10. Recent and Expected Future Development

Type of Development	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021	
Number of Building Permits for New Construction Issued Since the Previous HMP* (within regulatory floodplain/ Outside regulatory floodplain)														
	Total	Within SFHA	Total	Within SFHA	Total	Within SFHA	Total	Within SFHA	Total	Within SFHA	Total	Within SFHA	Total	Within SFHA
Single Family	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Multi-Family	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (commercial, mixed-use, etc.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Permits Issued	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Property or Development Name	Type of Development	# of Units / Structures		Location (address and/or block and lot)		Known Hazard Zone(s)*		Description / Status of Development						
Recent Major Development and Infrastructure from 2015 to Present														
None														
Known or Anticipated Major Development and Infrastructure in the Next Five (5) Years														
None														

SFHA Special Flood Hazard Area (1% flood event)

* Only location-specific hazard zones or vulnerabilities identified.

9.22.7 Jurisdictional Risk Assessment

The hazard profiles in Section 5 (Risk Assessment) provide detailed information regarding each plan participant’s vulnerability to the identified hazards. Refer to Section 5.2 (Methodology and Tools) and Section 5.4 (Hazard Ranking) for a detailed summary for the Town of Ossian’s risk assessment results and data used to determine the hazard ranking discussed later in this section.

Hazard area extent and location maps were generated to illustrate the probable areas impacted within the jurisdiction. These maps are based on the best available data at the time of the preparation of this plan and are adequate for planning purposes. Maps have been generated only for those hazards that can be clearly identified using mapping techniques and technologies and for which the Town of Ossian has significant exposure. The maps also show the location of potential new development, where available. These maps are illustrated below.



Figure 9.22-1. Town of Ossian Flood and Mine Subsidence Hazard Areas

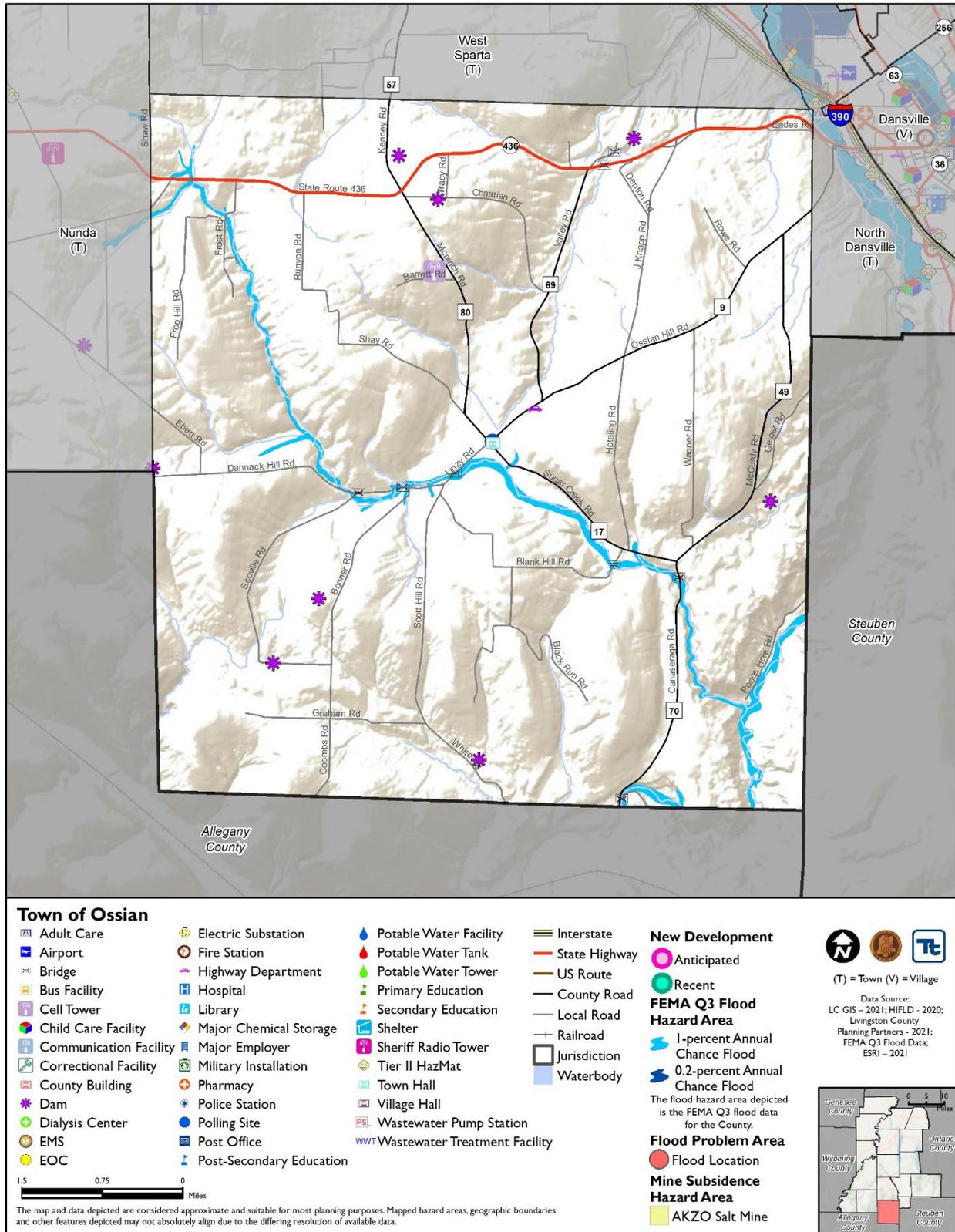




Figure 9.22-2. Town of Ossian Hazmat and Wildfire Hazard Areas

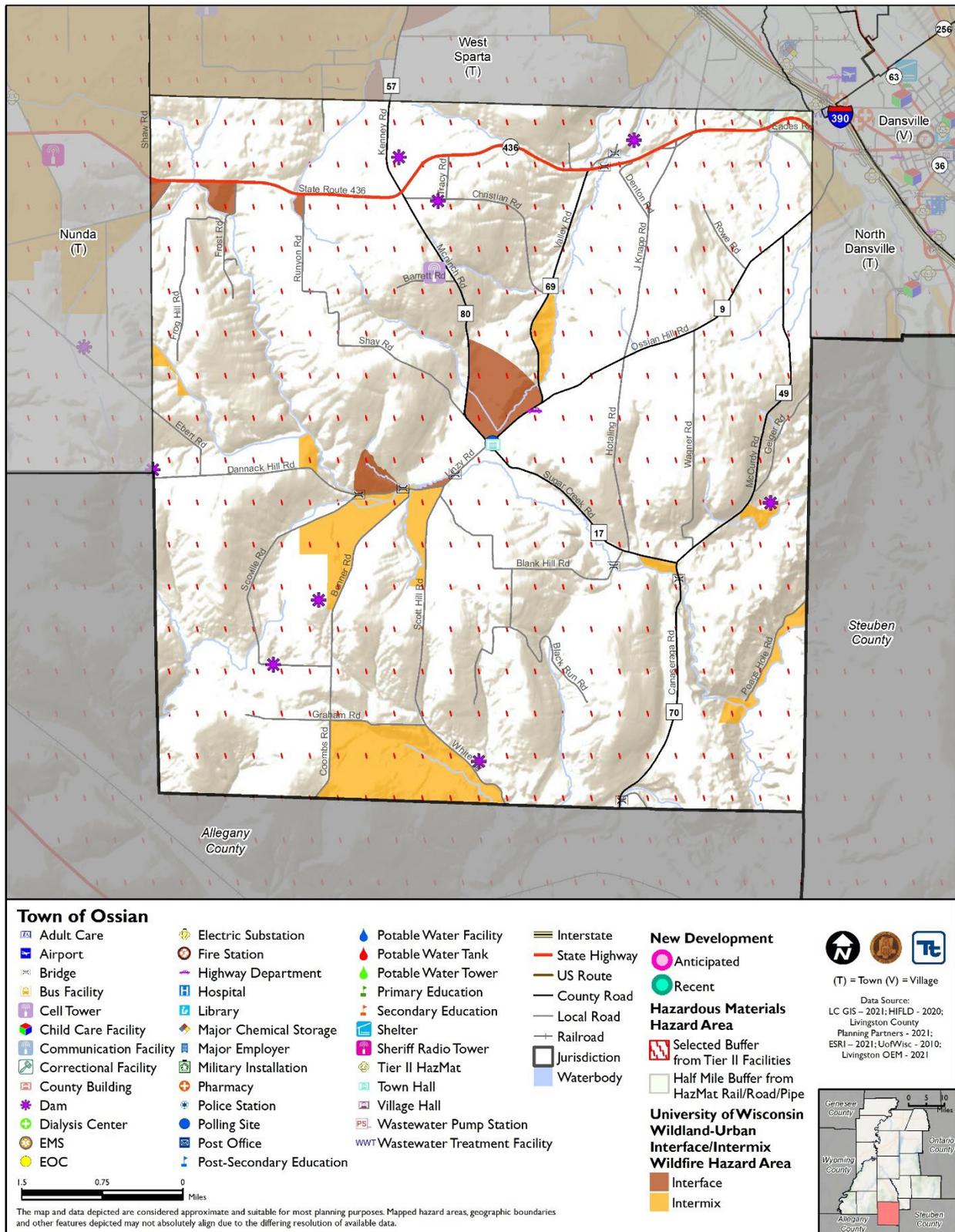
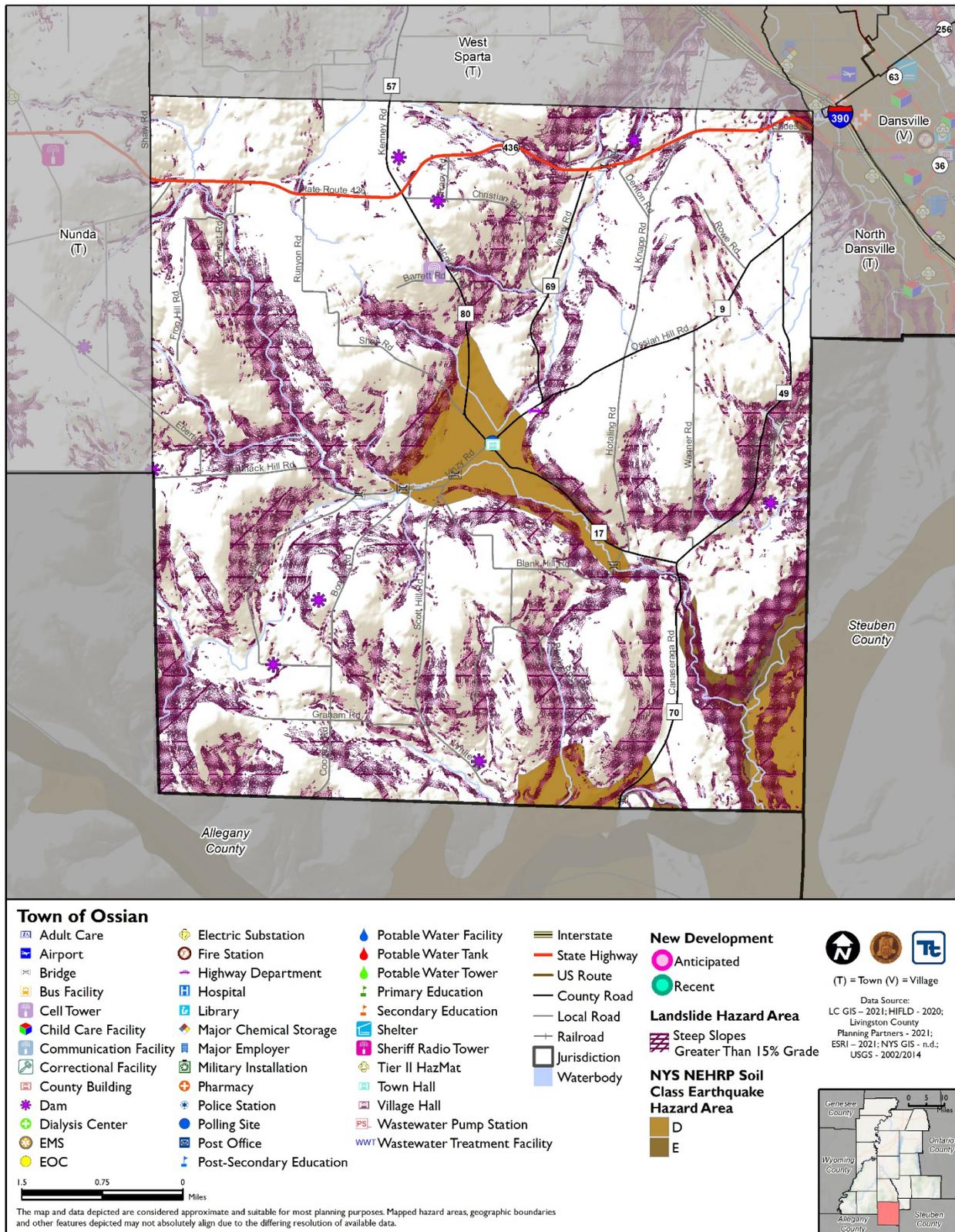




Figure 9.22-3. Town of Ossian Earthquake and Landslide Hazard Areas





Hazard Event History

Livingston County has a history of natural and non-natural hazard events as detailed in Volume I, Section 5 (Risk Assessment) of this plan. A summary of historical events is provided in each of the hazard profiles and includes a chronology of events that have affected the county and its municipalities.

The Town of Ossian’s history of federally-declared (as presented by FEMA) and significant hazard events (as presented in NOAA-NCEI) is consistent with that of Livingston County. Table 9.22-11 provides details regarding municipal-specific loss and damages the Town experienced during hazard events since the last hazard mitigation plan update. Information provided in the table below is based on reference material or local sources. For details of these and additional events, refer to Volume I, Section 5.0 of this plan.

Table 9.22-11. Hazard Event History

Dates of Event	Event Type (Disaster Declaration if applicable)	Emergency Declaration?	Municipal Summary of Damages and Losses
2020 & 2021	COVID 19 Pandemic	DR 3434 and 4480	Negative social, health, and economic impacts such as population loss, resident infections, resident deaths, mandatory business closures, school closings, decreases in the local labor market, and household supply shortages
11/15/2020	High Wind	-	None
8/27/2020	Flash Flood	-	None
1/12/2020	Flood	-	None
11/1/2019	Flood	-	None
10/15/2019	Flood	-	None
10/27/2019	Flood	-	None
9/21/2018	Lightning	-	None
4/4/2018	Blizzard	-	None
7/20/2017	Tornado	-	None
3/8/2017	High Wind	-	None
9/9/2015	Thunderstorm Wind	-	None

Notes:

- EM Emergency Declaration (FEMA)
- FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency
- DR Major Disaster Declaration (FEMA)
- N/A Not applicable

Hazard Ranking and Vulnerabilities

The hazard profiles in Section 5.0 (Risk Assessment) of this plan have detailed information regarding each plan participant’s vulnerability to the identified hazards. The following summarizes the Town of Ossian’s risk assessment results and data used to determine the hazard ranking.

Hazard Ranking

This section provides the community specific identification of the primary hazard concerns based on identified problems, impacts and the results of the risk assessment as presented in Section 5 (Risk Assessment) of the plan. The ranking process involves an assessment of the likelihood of occurrence for each hazard, along with its potential impacts on people, property, and the economy as well as community capability and changing future climate conditions. This input supports the mitigation action development to target those hazards with highest level of concern.

As discussed in Section 5.3 (Hazard Ranking), each participating jurisdiction may have differing degrees of risk exposure and vulnerability compared to Livingston County as a whole. Therefore, each Town of Ossian ranked the degree of risk to each hazard as it pertains to their community. The table below summarizes the hazard





risk/vulnerability rankings of potential natural hazards for the Town of Ossian. The Town of Ossian has reviewed the county hazard risk/vulnerability risk ranking table as well as its individual results to reflect the relative risk of the hazards of concern to the community.

During the review of the hazard/vulnerability risk ranking, the Town did not change the calculated rankings.

Table 9.22-12. Hazard Ranking Input

Drought	Earthquake	Flood	Hazardous Materials	Invasive Species	Landslide	Mine Subsidence
Low	Low	Low	High	Medium	Low	Low
Pandemic	Severe Storm	Severe Winter Storm	Wildfire	Terrorism	Utility Failure	
Medium	High	Medium	Low	Low	High	

Note: The scale is based on the hazard rankings established in Section 5.3 and modified as appropriate during review by the jurisdiction

Critical Facilities

The table below identifies critical facilities in the community located in the 1-percent and 0.2-percent floodplain.

Table 9.22-13. Potential Flood Losses to Critical Facilities

Name	Type	Exposure		Complies with NYS Standards	Addressed by Proposed Action
		1% Event	0.2% Event		
None					

Source: Livingston County Planning Partners 2021; HIFLD 2020

Identified Issues

After review of the Town of Ossian’s hazard event history, hazard rankings, jurisdiction specific vulnerabilities, hazard area extent and location, and current capabilities, the Town of Ossian has identified the following vulnerabilities within their community:

- The town lacks an updated flood damage prevention ordinance.
- The floodplain administrator for the town is in need of training on current NFIP requirements in the State.
- Sugar Creek has erosion issues.
- Town Hall requires backup power.
- Falling tree branches can result in property damage and utility failure.
- Loss of hemlock stands along waterways due to invasive species would lead to erosion, sedimentation, loss of water quality, warming, and loss of trout habitat.

9.22.8 Mitigation Strategy and Prioritization

This section discusses past mitigations actions and status, describes proposed hazard mitigation initiatives, and their prioritization.

Past Mitigation Initiative Status

The following table indicates progress on the community’s mitigation strategy identified in the 2015 HMP. Actions that are carried forward as part of this plan update are included in the following subsection in its own table with prioritization. Previous actions that are now on-going programs and capabilities are indicated as such in the following table and may also be found under ‘Capability Assessment’ presented previously in this annex.





Table 9.22-14. Status of Previous Mitigation Actions

Project #	Project	Hazard(s) Addressed	Brief Summary of the Original Problem	Responsible Party	Status (In Progress, Ongoing, No Progress, Complete)	Evaluation of Success 1. Cost 2. Level of Protection 3. Damages Avoided; Evidence of Success	Next Steps 1. Project to be included in 2022 HMP or Discontinue 2. If including action in the 2022 HMP, revise/reword to be more specific (as appropriate). 3. If discontinue, explain why.
TO-1	Clean and clear the stormwater ditch between Sugar Creek and Ossian Hill Road.	Flood, Severe Storm	None provided in the 2015 HMP	Town Planning Department	No Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. Has not been a problem
TO-2	Implement a streambank management program for Sugar Creek to alleviate flooding and other related issues.	Flood, Severe Storm	None provided in the 2015 HMP	Town Planning Department	No Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Include in the 2022 HMP. 2. 3.
TO-3	Complete ditch reconstruction for Town roads.	Flood	None provided in the 2015 HMP	County and Municipal Highway Departments	No Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. No longer a priority
TO-4	Prepare a “master emergency response plan” for each town to coordinate the activities of all emergency response agencies in the event of a disaster. These townwide plans should be closely integrated with the County Emergency Response Plan, emergency response plans for school districts, and emergency response plans for individual facilities such as hospitals, clinics, and nursing homes (included as an initiative for the Town in the 2007 HMP).	All	None provided in the 2015 HMP	County EMS	Ongoing	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. County action; Town will support as needed
TO-5	Provide backup power generators for Town/Village Halls (included as an initiative for the Town in the 2007 HMP).	All	None provided in the 2015 HMP	Town Highway Department	No Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Include in the 2022 HMP. 2. 3.
TO-6	Complete and implement the public education and outreach program on permitting, zoning, and building codes. This program is currently estimated at 75 percent completion.	All	None provided in the 2015 HMP	Municipal Code Enforcement	Complete	Information not available	1. Discontinue 2. 3. Complete
TO-7	Set design standards for water supply infrastructure and sewage facilities to prevent contamination during flooding.	Flood	None provided in the 2015 HMP	County Planning Department	Ongoing	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. County action; Town will support as needed
TO-8	Line some streambanks, especially those in the southern part of the County, with retaining walls for erosion control (included as an initiative for the Town in the 2007 HMP).	Flood	None provided in the 2015 HMP	County and municipal Highway Departments	No Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. No longer a priority



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TO-9	Develop materials and conduct education and outreach to work with farmers to implement BMPs to address stormwater runoff from fields.	Flood, Severe Storm	None provided in the 2015 HMP	County and municipal Highway Departments	Ongoing	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. Ongoing effort in Agriculture Plan
TO-10	Conduct a hydrilla management analysis to determine whether chemical treatments or the introduction of grass carp would be a more effective control measure.	Invasive Species	None provided in the 2015 HMP	County Planning Department	No Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. County effort; Town will support as needed
TO-11	Implement hydrilla control measures to prevent the further spread of the invasive species and to eventually reduce its impact on the County's water systems.	Invasive Species	None provided in the 2015 HMP	County Planning Department	No Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. County effort; Town will support as needed
TO-12	Support the mitigation of vulnerable structures via retrofit (e.g. elevation, flood-proofing) or acquisition/relocation to protect them from future damage. Repetitive loss and severe repetitive loss properties should be a priority, when applicable.	Flood, Severe Storm, Wildfire, Winter Storm	None provided in the 2015 HMP	Town Engineering	No Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. Will include as specific problem areas are identified.
TO-13	Assess and prioritize feasible non-structural flood hazard mitigation alternatives for at-risk properties within the floodplain (including those that have been identified as repetitive loss) such as acquisition/relocation, or elevation. The parameters for feasibility for this initiative would include the following: funding, benefits versus costs, and willing participation of property owners. Implement as funding becomes available.	Flood, Severe Storm, Wildfire, Winter Storm	None provided in the 2015 HMP	Town Engineering	No Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. Specific problem areas not identified.
TO-14	Develop and implement an enhanced all-hazards, public outreach/ education/mitigation information program on natural hazard risks and what they can do in the way of mitigation and preparedness, including flood insurance.	All Hazards	None provided in the 2015 HMP	Town Supervisor's Office	In Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Include in the 2022 HMP. 2. 3.
TO-15	Maintain compliance with and good-standing in the NFIP including adoption and enforcement of floodplain management requirements (e.g. regulating all new and substantially improved construction in special-hazard flood areas), floodplain identification and	Flood	None provided in the 2015 HMP	NFIP FPA	Ongoing	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. Ongoing capability





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	mapping, and flood insurance outreach to the community. Further meet and/or exceed the minimum NFIP standards and criteria through the following NFIP-related continued compliance actions identified in subsequent initiatives.						
TO-16	Support and participate in county-led initiatives intended to build local and regional mitigation and risk-reduction capabilities (see Section 9.1).	All Hazards	None provided in the 2015 HMP	County Departments	No Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. County effort; Town will support as needed
TO-17	Begin the process to promote or adopt higher regulatory and zoning standards to manage flood hazard risk.	Flood	None provided in the 2015 HMP	NFIP FPA	In Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Include in the 2022 HMP. 2. Action to update the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance 3.
TO-18	Develop and implement a post-event damage assessment program.	Flood; Severe Storm; Severe Winter Storm	None provided in the 2015 HMP	Engineering Department	Ongoing	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. Ongoing county capability
TO-19	Support participation in the NFIP CRS program by attending CRS workshop(s) if offered within the County. Join the CRS program if adequate resources to support long-term participation can be dedicated. See following related CAV initiative.	Flood	None provided in the 2015 HMP	NFIP FPA	No Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. NFIP policy base does not support administrative requirements of participation.
TO-20	Determine if a CAV or CAC is needed, and schedule if needed. This is a part of the process of joining CRS (above initiative).	Flood	None provided in the 2015 HMP	NFIP FPA	No Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Discontinue 2. 3. Part of previous action.
TO-21	Designate a NFIP FPA, and other local officials who would benefit, become a CFM through the ASFPM and NYSSFMA, and pursue relevant continuing education training such as FEMA BCA and SDE.	Flood	None provided in the 2015 HMP	NFIP FPA	No Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Include in the 2022 HMP. 2. Action to ensure FPA is trained. 3.
TO-22	Develop and maintain mapping of all natural hazard risk areas in the Town, FEMA-delineated or otherwise, to support land use decision making (e.g. Planning Board, site plan review process,).	Flood, Wildfire	None provided in the 2015 HMP	Engineering Department	Complete	Information not available	1. Discontinue 2. 3. Complete
TO-23	Work with County and power companies to identify roads within the Town	Severe Storm;		Engineering Department	Ongoing	1.	1. Discontinue 2.



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	considered "critical" would be the first priority for clearing after an event involving downed power lines.	Severe Winter Storm	None provided in the 2015 HMP			2. 3.	3. Ongoing capability
TO-24	Enhance or expand tree maintenance program and coordinate with utility companies.	Severe Storm; Severe Winter Storm	None provided in the 2015 HMP	Engineering Department	In Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Include in the 2022 HMP 2. 3.
TO-25	Work with utility companies and developers to bury utility lines underground, wherever possible.	Severe Storm; Severe Winter Storm	None provided in the 2015 HMP	Engineering Department	In Progress	1. 2. 3.	1. Include in the 2022 HMP 2. 3.



Completed Mitigation Initiatives Not Identified in the Previous Mitigation Strategy

The Town of Ossian has not identified mitigation projects/activities that have been completed but were not identified in the previous mitigation strategy in the 2015 HMP.

Proposed Hazard Mitigation Initiatives for the HMP Update

The Town of Ossian participated in a mitigation action workshop in September 2021 and was provided the following FEMA publications to use as a resource as part of their comprehensive review of all possible activities and mitigation measures to address their hazards: FEMA 551 ‘Selecting Appropriate Mitigation Measures for Floodprone Structures’ (March 2007) and FEMA ‘Mitigation Ideas – A Resource for Reducing Risk to Natural Hazards’ (January 2013).

The table below indicates the range of proposed mitigation action categories.

Table 9.22-15. Analysis of Mitigation Actions by Hazard and Category

Hazard	FEMA				CRS					
	LPR	SIP	NSP	EAP	PR	PP	PI	NR	SP	ES
Drought				X			X			
Earthquake				X			X			
Flood	X		X	X	X		X	X		
Hazardous Materials				X			X			
Invasive Species				X			X			
Landslide			X	X			X	X		
Mine Subsidence				X			X			
Pandemic				X			X			
Severe Storm		X	X	X		X	X	X		
Severe Winter Storm		X	X	X		X	X	X		
Terrorism				X			X			
Utility Failure		X	X	X		X	X	X		
Wildfire				X			X			

Note: Section 6 (Mitigation Strategy) provides for an explanation of the mitigation categories.

Table 9.22-16 summarizes the comprehensive range of specific mitigation initiatives the Town of Ossian would like to pursue in the future to reduce the effects of hazards. Some of these initiatives may be previous actions carried forward for this plan update. These initiatives are dependent upon available funding (grants and local match availability) and may be modified or omitted at any time based on the occurrence of new hazard events and changes in municipal priorities. Both the four FEMA mitigation action categories and the six CRS mitigation action categories are listed in the table below to further demonstrate the wide range of activities and mitigation measures selected.

As discussed in Section 6, 14 evaluation/prioritization criteria are used to complete the prioritization of mitigation initiatives. For each new mitigation action, a numeric rank is assigned (-1, 0, or 1) for each of the 14 evaluation criteria to assist with prioritizing your actions as ‘High’, ‘Medium’, or ‘Low.’ The table below summarizes the evaluation of each mitigation initiative, listed by Action Number.



Table 9.22-16. Proposed Hazard Mitigation Initiatives

Project Number	Mitigation Initiative Name	Description of Problem and Solution	Critical Facility (Yes/No)	EHP Issues	Hazard(s) to be Mitigated	Goals Met	Estimated Timeline	Lead and Support Agencies	Potential Funding Sources	Estimated Benefits	Estimated Costs	Priority	Mitigation Category	CRS Category
2022-Town of Ossian-001	Update Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance	Problem: The town lacks an updated flood damage prevention ordinance. Solution: The town will adopt an updated flood damage prevention ordinance to meet state and federal NFIP standards.	No	No	Flood	2	Within 6 months	NFIP Floodplain Administrator	Town Budget	Meeting state and federal standards	Staff time	High	LPR	PR
2022-Town of Ossian-002	NFIP Administrator Training	Problem: The floodplain administrator for the town is in need of training on current NFIP requirements in the State. Solution: The floodplain administrator will review the list of upcoming trainings on the NYSDEC website and sign up to attend.	No	No	Flood	3	Within 1 year	NFIP Floodplain Administrator	Town Budget	Increase education and training on floods in the town	Staff time	High	LPR	PR
2022-Town of Ossian-003	Sugar Creek Streambank Management Program	Problem: Sugar Creek has erosion issues. Solution: Implement a streambank management program for Sugar Creek to alleviate flooding and other related issues.	No	Yes	Severe Storm, Flood, Landslide	1, 2	Within 2 years	Highway Department, FPA	US EPA; NYS DEC; HMGP	Reduction in streambank erosion and potential collapses which could result in landslide and flooding concerns	Med.	Med.	NSP	NR
2022-Town of Ossian-004	Backup Power for Town Hall	Problem: Town Hall lacks backup power. Government may not be	Yes	No	Severe Storm, Severe Winter	1	Within 1 year	Supervisor, Engineer	Town budget; HMGP	Continued government operations during and	\$50K	High	SIP	PP





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		able to function during a power outage. Solution: Provide a backup power generator for Town Hall.			Storm, Utility Failure					after an emergency				
2022-Town of Ossian-005	Tree Maintenance	Problem: Falling tree branches can result in property damage and utility failure. Solution: The Town will establish a tree maintenance program to reduce the likelihood of falling tree branches.	No	Yes	Severe Storm, Severe Winter Storm, Utility Failure	1, 2	Within 1 year	Highway Department	Staff Time	Reductions in tree damage, power outages	Low	High	NSP	NR
2022-Town of Ossian-006	Public Outreach Campaign	Problem: Residents may be unaware of the steps they can take to protect their homes and property. Solution: Develop and implement an enhanced all-hazards, public outreach/ education/mitigation information program on natural hazard risks and what they can do in the way of mitigation and preparedness, including flood insurance.	No	No	All Hazards	3	Within 1 year	Supervisor	Staff Time	Less reliance on emergency response organizations	Low	High	EAP	PI
2022-Town of Ossian-007	Bury Power Lines	Problem: Overhead power lines can be damaged by falling debris and ice accumulation, causing power outages.	No	No	Severe Storm, Severe Winter Storm, Utility Failure	1	Within 1 year	Engineer	Staff Time; HMGP; BRIC	Power service is maintained during emergencies	High	Med.	SIP	PP



Project Number	Mitigation Initiative Name	Description of Problem and Solution	Critical Facility (Yes/No)	EHP Issues	Hazard(s) to be Mitigated	Goals Met	Estimated Timeline	Lead and Support Agencies	Potential Funding Sources	Estimated Benefits	Estimated Costs	Priority	Mitigation Category	CRS Category
		Solution: Work with utility companies and developers to bury utility lines underground, wherever possible.												

Notes:

Not all acronyms and abbreviations defined below are included in the table.

Acronyms and Abbreviations:

- CAV Community Assistance Visit
- CRS Community Rating System
- DPW Department of Public Works
- EHP Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation
- FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency
- FPA Floodplain Administrator
- HMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance
- N/A Not applicable
- NFIP National Flood Insurance Program
- OEM Office of Emergency Management

Potential FEMA HMA Funding Sources:

- FMA Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Program
- HMGP Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
- BRIC Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Program

Timeline:

The time required for completion of the project upon implementation

Cost:

The estimated cost for implementation.

Benefits:

A description of the estimated benefits, either quantitative and/or qualitative.

Critical Facility:

Yes Critical Facility located in 1% floodplain

Mitigation Category:

- Local Plans and Regulations (LPR) – These actions include government authorities, policies or codes that influence the way land and buildings are being developed and built.
- Structure and Infrastructure Project (SIP) - These actions involve modifying existing structures and infrastructure to protect them from a hazard or remove them from a hazard area. This could apply to public or private structures as well as critical facilities and infrastructure. This type of action also involves projects to construct manmade structures to reduce the impact of hazards.
- Natural Systems Protection (NSP) – These are actions that minimize damage and losses, and also preserve or restore the functions of natural systems.
- Education and Awareness Programs (EAP) – These are actions to inform and educate citizens, elected officials, and property owners about hazards and potential ways to mitigate them. These actions may also include participation in national programs, such as StormReady and Firewise Communities

CRS Category:

- Preventative Measures (PR) - Government, administrative or regulatory actions, or processes that influence the way land and buildings are developed and built. Examples include planning and zoning, floodplain local laws, capital improvement programs, open space preservation, and storm water management regulations.





- *Property Protection (PP)* - These actions include public activities to reduce hazard losses or actions that involve (1) modification of existing buildings or structures to protect them from a hazard or (2) removal of the structures from the hazard area. Examples include acquisition, elevation, relocation, structural retrofits, storm shutters, and shatter-resistant glass.
- *Public Information (PI)* - Actions to inform and educate citizens, elected officials, and property owners about hazards and potential ways to mitigate them. Such actions include outreach projects, real estate disclosure, hazard information centers, and educational programs for school-age children and adults.
- *Natural Resource Protection (NR)* - Actions that minimize hazard loss and also preserve or restore the functions of natural systems. These actions include sediment and erosion control, stream corridor restoration, watershed management, forest and vegetation management, and wetland restoration and preservation.
- *Structural Flood Control Projects (SP)* - Actions that involve the construction of structures to reduce the impact of a hazard. Such structures include dams, setback levees, floodwalls, retaining walls, and safe rooms.
- *Emergency Services (ES)* - Actions that protect people and property during and immediately following a disaster or hazard event. Services include warning systems, emergency response services, and the protection of essential facilities

Table 9.22-17. Summary of Prioritization of Actions

Project Number	Project Name	Life Safety	Property Protection	Cost-Effectiveness	Technical	Political	Legal	Fiscal	Environmental	Social	Administrative	Multi-Hazard	Timeline	Agency Champion	Other Community Objectives	Total	High / Medium / Low
2022-Town of Ossian-001	Update Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	9	High
2022-Town of Ossian-002	NFIP Administrator Training	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	9	High
2022-Town of Ossian-003	Sugar Creek Streambank Management Program	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	7	Medium
2022-Town of Ossian-004	Backup Power for Town Hall	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	10	High
2022-Town of Ossian-005	Tree Maintenance	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	10	High
2022-Town of Ossian-006	Public Outreach Campaign	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	9	High
2022-Town of Ossian-007	Bury Power Lines	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	7	Medium

Note: Refer to Section 6, which conveys guidance on prioritizing mitigation actions. Low (0-4), Medium (5-8), High (9-14).



9.22.9 Action Worksheets

The following action worksheets have been developed by the Town of Ossian to aid in the submittal of grant applications to support the funding of high priority proposed actions.

Action Worksheet			
Project Name:	Sugar Creek Streambank Management Program		
Project Number:	2022-Town of Ossian-003		
Risk / Vulnerability			
Hazard(s) of Concern:	Severe Storm, Flood, Landslide		
Description of the Problem:	Sugar Creek has erosion issues.		
Action or Project Intended for Implementation			
Description of the Solution:	Implement a streambank management program for Sugar Creek to alleviate flooding and other related issues.		
Is this project related to a Critical Facility?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Is this project related to a Critical Facility located within the Special Flood Hazard Area?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
(If yes, this project must intend to protect to the 500-year flood event or the actual worse case damage scenario, whichever is greater)			
Level of Protection:	TBD	Estimated Benefits (losses avoided):	Reduction in streambank erosion and potential collapses which could result in landslide and flooding concerns
Useful Life:	50 years	Goals Met:	1,2
Estimated Cost:	Medium	Mitigation Action Type:	Natural Systems Protection
Plan for Implementation			
Prioritization:	Medium	Desired Timeframe for Implementation:	Within 2 years
Estimated Time Required for Project Implementation:	6 months	Potential Funding Sources:	US EPA; NYS DEC; HMGP
Responsible Organization:	Highway Department	Local Planning Mechanisms to be Used in Implementation if any:	Capital Budget
Three Alternatives Considered (including No Action)			
Alternatives:	Action	Estimated Cost	Evaluation
	No Action	\$0	Problem continues.
	Property Acquisition	High	Not cost effective
	Stabilize Streambank	Med.	Best option
Progress Report (for plan maintenance)			
Date of Status Report:			
Report of Progress:			
Update Evaluation of the Problem and/or Solution:			



Evaluation and Prioritization		
Project Name:	Sugar Creek Streambank Management Program	
Project Number:	2022-Town of Ossian-003	
Criteria	Numeric Rank (-1, 0, 1)	Provide brief rationale for numeric rank when appropriate
Life Safety	0	
Property Protection	1	
Cost-Effectiveness	0	
Technical	1	
Political	1	
Legal	0	
Fiscal	0	
Environmental	1	
Social	0	
Administrative	1	
Multi-Hazard	1	
Timeline	1	
Agency Champion	0	
Other Community Objectives	0	
Total	7	
Priority (High/Med/Low)	Medium	



Action Worksheet			
Project Name:	Backup Power for Town Hall		
Project Number:	2022-Town of Ossian-004		
Risk / Vulnerability			
Hazard(s) of Concern:	Severe Storm, Severe Winter Storm, Utility Failure		
Description of the Problem:	Town Hall lacks backup power. Government may not be able to function during a power outage.		
Action or Project Intended for Implementation			
Description of the Solution:	Provide a backup power generator for Town Hall.		
Is this project related to a Critical Facility?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Is this project related to a Critical Facility located within the Special Flood Hazard Area?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
(If yes, this project must intend to protect to the 500-year flood event or the actual worse case damage scenario, whichever is greater)			
Level of Protection:	TBD	Estimated Benefits (losses avoided):	Continued government operations during and after an emergency
Useful Life:	30 years	Goals Met:	1
Estimated Cost:	\$50K	Mitigation Action Type:	Structural and Infrastructure Project
Plan for Implementation			
Prioritization:	High	Desired Timeframe for Implementation:	Within 1 year
Estimated Time Required for Project Implementation:	6 months	Potential Funding Sources:	Town budget; HMGP
Responsible Organization:	Supervisor	Local Planning Mechanisms to be Used in Implementation if any:	Capital Budget
Three Alternatives Considered (including No Action)			
Alternatives:	Action	Estimated Cost	Evaluation
	No Action	\$0	Problem continues.
	Install solar panels	High	Unstable energy source
	Generator	High	Best option
Progress Report (for plan maintenance)			
Date of Status Report:			
Report of Progress:			
Update Evaluation of the Problem and/or Solution:			



Evaluation and Prioritization		
Project Name:	Backup Power for Town Hall	
Project Number:	2022-Town of Ossian-004	
Criteria	Numeric Rank (-1, 0, 1)	Provide brief rationale for numeric rank when appropriate
Life Safety	0	
Property Protection	1	
Cost-Effectiveness	1	
Technical	1	
Political	1	
Legal	1	
Fiscal	0	
Environmental	0	
Social	0	
Administrative	1	
Multi-Hazard	1	
Timeline	1	
Agency Champion	1	
Other Community Objectives	1	
Total	10	
Priority (High/Med/Low)	High	



Action Worksheet			
Project Name:	Bury Power Lines		
Project Number:	2022-Town of Ossian-007		
Risk / Vulnerability			
Hazard(s) of Concern:	Severe Storm, Severe Winter Storm, Utility Failure		
Description of the Problem:	Overhead power lines can be damaged by falling debris and ice accumulation, causing power outages.		
Action or Project Intended for Implementation			
Description of the Solution:	Work with utility companies and developers to bury utility lines underground, wherever possible.		
Is this project related to a Critical Facility?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Is this project related to a Critical Facility located within the Special Flood Hazard Area?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
(If yes, this project must intend to protect to the 500-year flood event or the actual worse case damage scenario, whichever is greater)			
Level of Protection:	TBD	Estimated Benefits (losses avoided):	Power service is maintained during emergencies
Useful Life:	50 years	Goals Met:	1,2
Estimated Cost:	High	Mitigation Action Type:	Structural and Infrastructure Project
Plan for Implementation			
Prioritization:	Medium	Desired Timeframe for Implementation:	Within 1 year
Estimated Time Required for Project Implementation:	6 months	Potential Funding Sources:	Staff time for analysis and outreach; HMGP and BRIC for project work
Responsible Organization:	Engineer	Local Planning Mechanisms to be Used in Implementation if any:	Capital Improvement
Three Alternatives Considered (including No Action)			
Alternatives:	Action	Estimated Cost	Evaluation
	No Action	\$0	Problem continues.
	Install backup power at each facility	High	Cost prohibitive
	Bury utility lines	High	Most effective
Progress Report (for plan maintenance)			
Date of Status Report:			
Report of Progress:			
Update Evaluation of the Problem and/or Solution:			



Evaluation and Prioritization		
Project Name:	Bury Power Lines	
Project Number:	2022-Town of Ossian-007	
Criteria	Numeric Rank (-1, 0, 1)	Provide brief rationale for numeric rank when appropriate
Life Safety	0	
Property Protection	1	
Cost-Effectiveness	0	
Technical	1	
Political	1	
Legal	1	
Fiscal	0	
Environmental	0	
Social	0	
Administrative	1	
Multi-Hazard	1	
Timeline	0	
Agency Champion	0	
Other Community Objectives	1	
Total	7	
Priority (High/Med/Low)	Medium	