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# Saranac River Trail Greenway

## ANTICIPATED PERMITS/CERTIFICATIONS/COORDINATION

**City of Plattsburgh  
Clinton County, NY**

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# INTRODUCTION

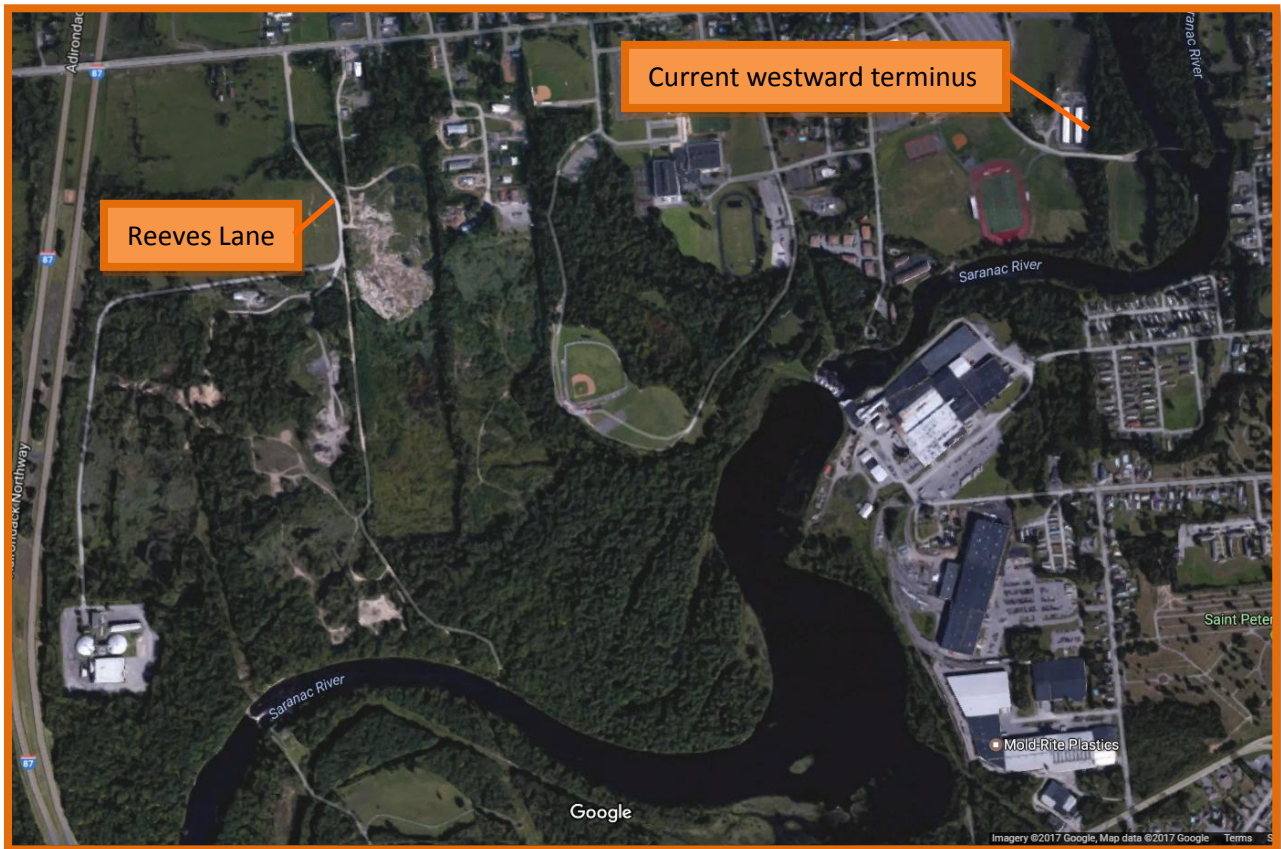
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Clinton County (County) has received Regional Waterfront Program Key Project funds to design the next segment of the Saranac River Trail Greenway in the City and Town of Plattsburgh.

The trail will extend from the current westward terminus at George Angell Drive in the City of Plattsburgh to a point approximately 2.15 miles to the west at Reeves Lane in the Town of Plattsburgh. This section of the trail is ready for advancement since it will be constructed on public sector property, extending through the Plattsburgh City School District High School property, the SUNY Plattsburgh Field House and Sports Complex and westward across City of Plattsburgh property to Reeves Lane. Considering the views of the Saranac River and especially the Imperial Dam, there is a desire to keep the trail near river.

This project is supported by federal funding from the Environmental Protection Fund through the New York State Department of State (DOS) Local Waterfront Revitalization Program.

An aerial project location map is presented as Figure 1.1 below.



**FIGURE 1.1 – Project Location Map**

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MJ Engineering & Land Surveying, PC (MJ) analyzed federal, state and local requirements for each schematic design alternative, including necessary permits and approvals, and a description of how these requirements will be satisfied by the design. Requirements include the following:

### **New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC)**

- A SPDES Permit for Construction Activity (GP-0-15-002) will be required if construction results in greater than one (1) acre of disturbance. A Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) will be prepared in accordance with Appendix B Table 1 of GP-0-15-002. Table 1 requires erosion and sediment controls for this type of project, only. Post-construction water quality and quantity controls will not be required.
- An Article 24 Freshwater Wetland Permit will be required to permit work within a state-regulated wetland or within its 100 ft regulated buffer area.
- Section 401 Water Quality Certification: Blanket Water Quality Certification for NWP #42 – Recreational Facilities

### **New York Natural Heritage Program (NYNHP), New York State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO)**

- Potential impacts to historic and cultural resources shall be assessed. The proposed trail alignment shall take into consideration the location of identified historic or cultural resources and avoid to the extent feasible.

### **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)**

- Section 404 Nationwide Permit #14 - Linear Transportation Projects (if the trail crosses a waterbody)
- Section 10 River and Harbors Act (if work within waters of the US or established harbor lines)

### **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)**

- Potential impacts to federal-jurisdictional wetlands shall be assessed. The need for mitigation shall be reviewed.
- The project area shall be screened for presence or absence of federal protected, threatened and endangered species in accordance with the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

### **Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)**

- FHWA will provide the final concurrence on the project's National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) classification and each environmental determination, approval, or concurrence upon which the NEPA classification was based.

### **Clinton County Planning Department**

- Obtain planning board approval for project.

### **City, Town of Plattsburgh**

- Obtain City and Town approval for project.

Note: Permits and certifications issued by NYSDEC and USACE will be applied for via a Joint Application Form.