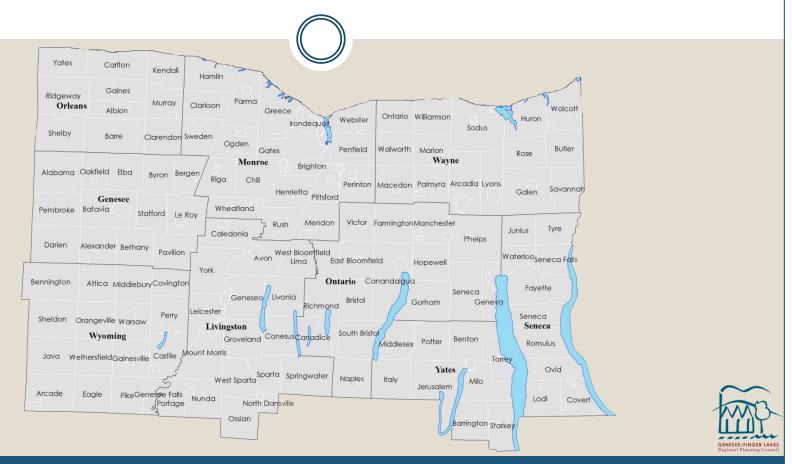
# Regional Engagement Wayne County Webinar



## Webinar



- Background of the Regional Engagement Project
- Overview of November 5<sup>th</sup> Sub-Regional Forum
  - Process
  - Feedback
- Discussion of Priority Areas of Focus
  - Goals
  - Projects
- Next Steps
  - Survey
  - County Meeting



## Project Background





- Assessment and profile of existing conditions
- Identify opportunities to advance economic development
- Prioritize future revitalization efforts within the Region
- Final strategy identifies priorities, projects, and action items



## Sub-Regional Forum

- November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014
- Seneca, Wayne, Yates Counties
- Project overview
- Individual County breakout sessions
  - Existing Plan Profiles
  - Discussion/Feedback



## **Priority Areas of Focus**

- Brownfields
- Economic Development/Economic Distress
- Downtowns
- Tourism and Recreation
- Waterfronts
- Environmental/Water Resources
- Natural Resources/Energy
- Land use
- Building/Housing
- Infrastructure
- Preservation/Cultural



## Brownfields

#### Goals/Objectives

Identify and assess brownfield sites within Wayne County

- New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Remediation Sites
  - Macedon Films Site (2012)
  - NYSEG Clyde MGP (2014)
  - NYSEG Newark MGP (2013)
  - NYSEG Palmyra MGP (2011)
  - Old Erie Canal -Village of Clyde Section Site (2013)
  - Additional NYS DEC Sites



# **Economic Development/Distress**

#### Targeted Areas of Distress

- Census Tract Distress Areas
- EDA Distress Criteria (Per Capita Income 80% or less of National Per Capita Income or Unemployment Rate 1 percentage point greater than national average)
- Economic Distress Index (Income; Employment; Poverty; Education; Occupancy; Population Change)
- Town of Butler
- Village of Clyde
- Village of Lyons



# **Economic Development/Distress**

#### Goals/Objectives

- Promote growth in targeted clusters
- Improve infrastructure within Wayne County
- Leverage human capital to advance economic development projects
- Utilize education/training programs offered by Finger Lakes Community College and BOCES

- Wayne County Industrial Sustainability Park Infrastructure improvements
- Town of Wolcott/Village of Red Creek water/sewer improvements
- Reuse/Redevelopment of the Butler Prison



### **Downtowns**



- Improve Village Main Streets
- Enhance facades and building improvements within downtowns
- Fill vacant storefronts within downtowns
- Establish year-round recreational and civic activities within the downtown

- Improve Village downtowns within Wayne County
- Continue efforts to strengthen the Village of Lyons through the Main Street Program
- Utilize G/FLRPC Upper Floors study to help strengthen Downtowns



# Tourism/Recreation

#### Goals/Objectives

- Enhance gateways and improve signage for visitors
- Increase overnight tourism stays
- Leverage grant opportunities to increase funding for tourism promotion

- Increase destination tourism
- Improve Chimney Bluffs and Beechwood state parks to attract additional visitors
- Improve tourism connections/partnerships with Finger Lakes Region to the south
- Enhance and expand Agritourism



## Waterfronts



#### Goals/Objectives

- Inventory and assessment of Local Waterfront Revitalization Program
- Protect agricultural lands along waterfronts
- Ensure development along the waterfront enhances community character, utilizes existing infrastructure; and minimizes adverse effects of development
- Address concerns related to the impacts of Plan 2014 and IJC shoreline levels

- Complete/Active/Potential LWRP
  - Town of Sodus
  - Town of Macedon
  - Town of Lyons
  - Village of Palmyra



## Environmental/Water Resources

#### Goals/Objectives

- Address issues related to erosion and sediment control
- Pursuing funding opportunities to remediate the priority impairments

- Sodus Point Resiliency Plan
- Northern Montezuma Wetlands Plan- implementation
- Review FEMA Flood Insurance Maps



# Natural Resources/Energy

#### Goals/Objectives

- Identify potential energy efficiency upgrades
- Embrace renewable energy resources
- Develop draft sustainability plan for Wayne County

- Town of Williamson Energy Conservation
- Finger Lakes Regional Sustainability Plan Implementation



## Land Use



- Preserve farms and farmland within Wayne County
- Support purchase of development rights
- Support environmentally sustainable farming practices

- Town of Macedon Agricultural Preservation
- Growing the Agriculture Industry Now! RLF Fund



# Buildings/Housing

#### Goals/Objectives

- Improve quality of housing stock
- Identify and assess blighted properties within Wayne County

#### **Potential Projects**

Wayne County Blighted Property Study



## Infrastructure



#### Goals/Objectives

- Expand infrastructure capacity throughout County
- Improve transportation infrastructure including railroad, truck, and bridge infrastructure
- Improve water and sewer infrastructure/capacity throughout the County
- Improve trail infrastructure within Wayne County
- Improve public transportation opportunities for Wayne County residents

- Lyons Industrial Park Development
- Infrastructure inventory and capacity analysis
- Improve telecommunications access throughout Wayne County



# Preservation/Cultural

#### Goals/Objectives

 Leverage historic districts and sites within Wayne County to attract visitors

#### **Potential Projects**

• Preserve the history and character of Village Main Streets



## **Additional Information**

- Finger Lakes Regional Economic Development Council Strategic Plan
  - Submitted CFA applications
- Finger Lakes Regional Sustainability Plan
  - Appendix 3- Recommended Strategies and Projects



# Next Steps

- Survey
- Development of Draft County Strategies
- Individual County Forums- Presentation of Draft Strategy and Stakeholder Feedback
  - January/February 2015
- Final Draft County Strategies
  - o February 2015

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