

# Tioga Communities

Community Reconstruction Conceptual Plan Presentation  
Regional Resiliency Summit



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# The Tioga Communities

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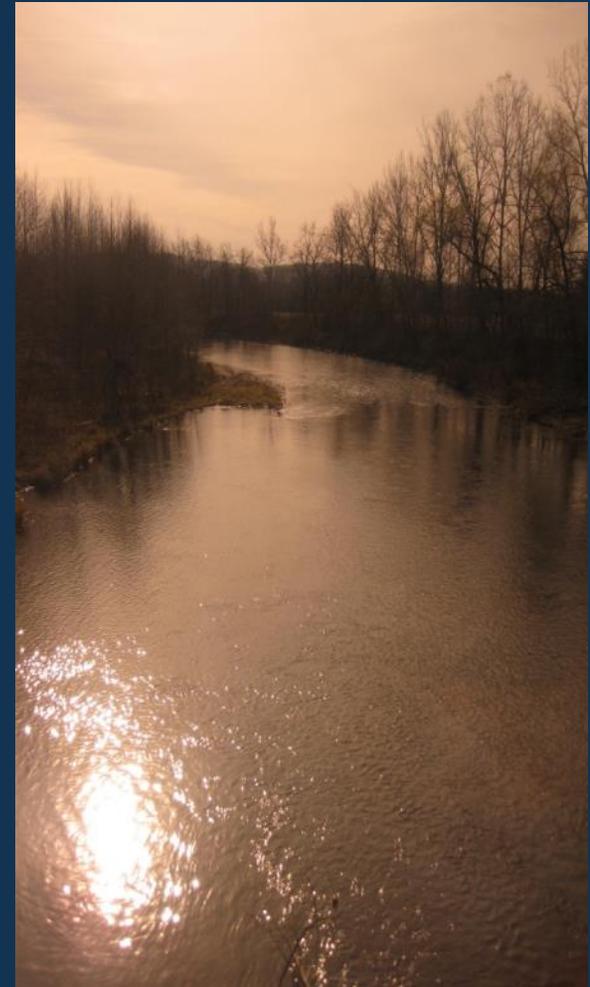
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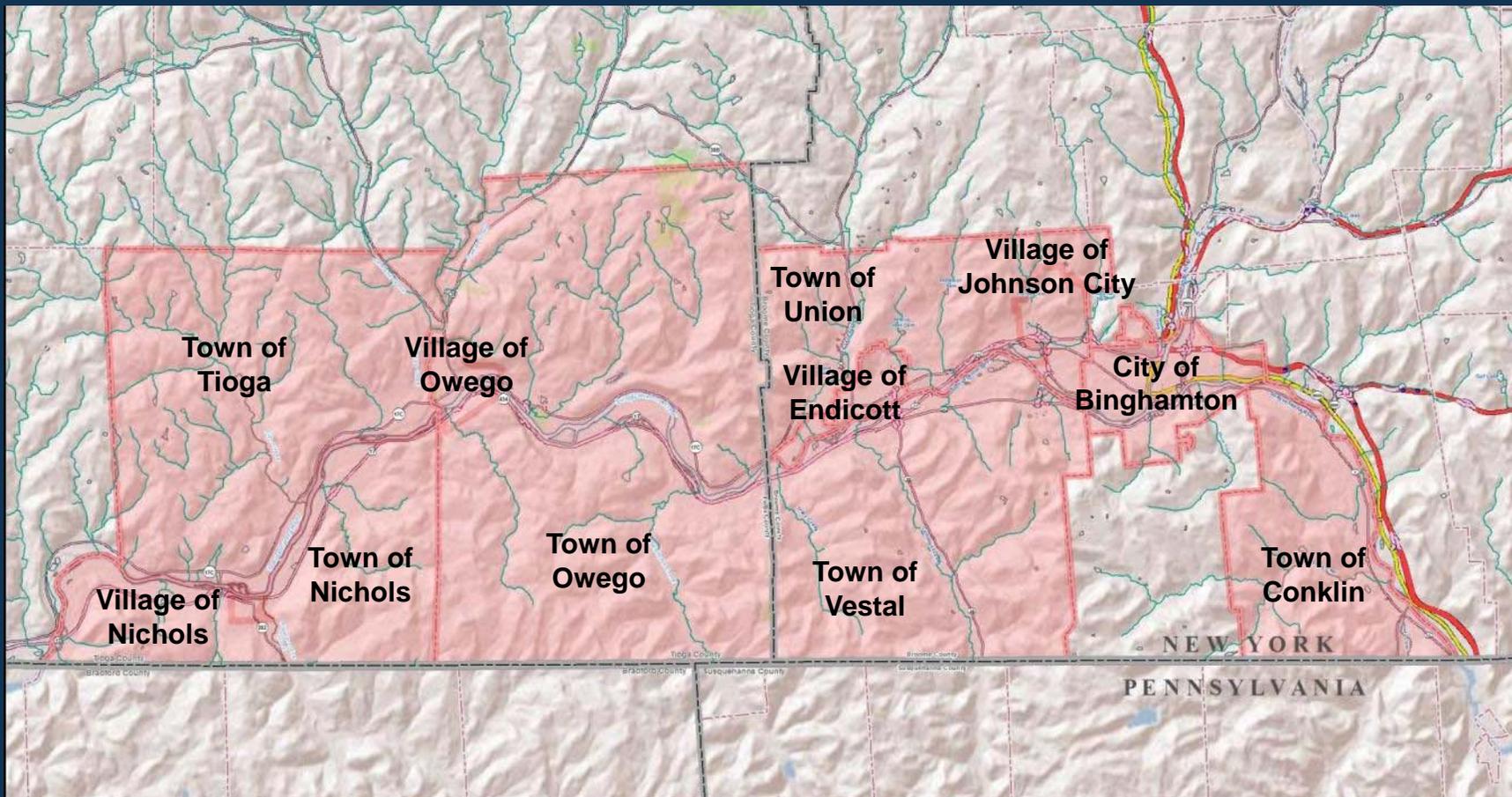
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# The Regional 'CR': Broome and Tioga Communities



# From Long Term Community Recovery Strategy to CR

- **November 2011:** LTCRS Program Announced
- **June 2012:** Work begins
- **May 2013:** NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program Announced
  - Village and Town of Owego, Village and Town of Nichols as one zone
  - Town of Owego doesn't have a LTCRS
  - Town of Tioga was not included in NYRCR Program
- **Summer 2013:** Municipal Officials meet and vote to move forward as one zone still, including Tioga





# Tioga Communities Assets



# Reconstruction Strategies

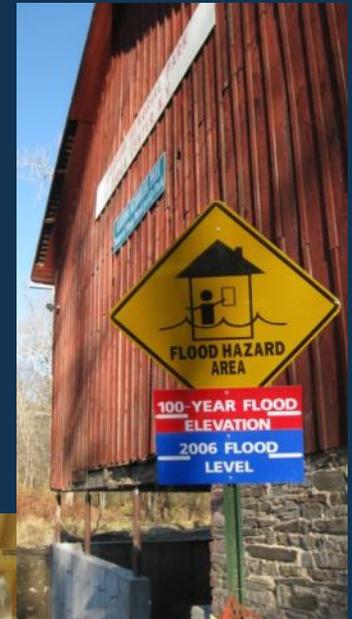
Strategy 1: Strengthen or create new plans or local laws to minimize damage from future flooding

Strategy 2: Ensure new development and redevelopment are resistant to flood damage

Strategy 3: Comprehensively prepare the Tioga Communities for disasters

Strategy 4: Increase awareness among residents regarding home preparedness and emergency notifications

Strategy 5: Protect key areas and critical facilities in the Tioga Community



# Reconstruction Strategies

Strategy 6: Preserve and restore natural areas, including floodplains, streams and wetlands

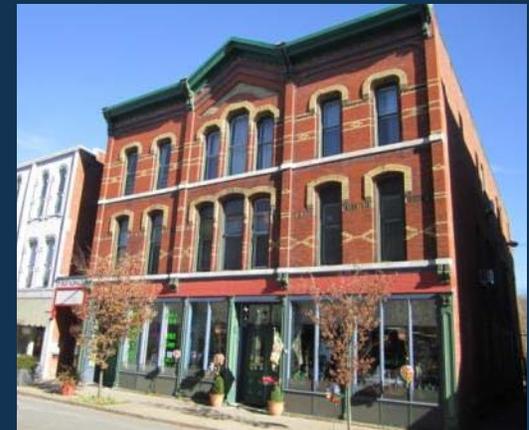
Strategy 7: Improve the quality of life for residents after flood recovery

Strategy 8: Create a diversified economy in the Tioga Community, supported by tourism, light industry, and small business

Strategy 9: Ensure a diversity of safe, affordable market-rate housing options

Strategy 10: Ensure long-term sustainability of the flood recovery program

Strategy 11: Ensure flood-affected communities have the necessary capacity to apply for and administer flood mitigation and community revitalization funds



# Potential Priority Projects

- **Economic**

- Tioga: Business Pre-Incubator/Research Triangle – Partnership with STREDC

- **Infrastructure**

- Expanded stormwater storage areas
- Expand sewer and water to support development outside of floodplains

- **Emergency Needs**

- Multi-Tiered Emergency Alert System
- Backup generators
- Regional shelter



# Potential Priority Projects

- **Critical Government Facilities**

- Tioga County
  1. Town and Village of Owego: Establish shared Town/Village DPW Campus out of floodplain
  2. Town and Village of Nichols: Purchase elementary school and create shared offices
  3. Town of Tioga: Re-establish Post Office



- **Community Services and Vulnerable Populations**

- ‘Flood proofing’ senior and at-risk housing



# Regional Project Showcase

- **Regional River System Initiative to Build Resilience**
  - Susquehanna River and Watershed Analysis and Modeling
  - Demonstration Projects
  - Regional Stream Management Program
  - Regional Retention Systems
  - Regional Partnerships



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