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# ORISKANY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

Rome, New York

Ecosystem Restoration Study

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## FACT SHEET

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**DESCRIPTION:** The Oriskany Wildlife Management Area is a 750-acre tract of land located within the Mohawk River floodplain. Approximately 75 years ago, wetland areas were drained and converted into agricultural land through the installation of a system of drainage ditches. Today, the six main drainage ditches are used to convey runoff from urbanized areas south of the study area into the Mohawk River. The primary goal of the restoration project is to reestablish the wetland complex and provide a resting and forage area for migratory waterfowl. This will be achieved, in part, by the direct restoration of 260 acres of shallow marsh.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Section 206 of WRDA 1996 [22 US Code 2330].

**STATUS:** Despite federal funding limitations in FY2004, surveys and geotechnical sampling were completed in June 2004. Preliminary Hydrology & Hydraulics, cultural resource inventories, and some additional surveys are currently underway. An Environmental Restoration Report Completion schedule is contingent upon federal funding. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation is the non-federal sponsor for this project.

### FEASIBILITY STUDY COST:

Estimated Federal Cost	\$900,000
Estimated Non-Federal Cost	<u>0</u>
Total	\$900,000

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