

PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers New York District, CENAN-OP-RU Upstate Regulatory Field Office 1 Buffington Street, Bldg. 10, 3rd Fl. North Watervliet, New York 12189-4000

In replying refer to:

Public Notice Number: NAN-2024-00723 Issue Date: March 27, 2025 Expiration Date: April 27, 2025

To Whom It May Concern:

The New York District, Corps of Engineers has received an application for a Department of the Army permit pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S. C. 1344).

APPLICANT: Village of St. Johnsville

c/o Mayor Dawn White 16 Washington Street

St. Johnsville, New York 13452

ACTIVITY: Place structures in navigable waters of the United States to expand an existing

marina with a new docking system.

WATERWAY: Mohawk River (Mohawk River Watershed)

LOCATION: Village of St. Johnsville, Montgomery County, New York

A detailed description and plans of the applicant's activity are enclosed to assist in your review.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

ALL COMMENTS REGARDING THE PERMIT APPLICATION MUST BE SENT VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL TO john.p.short@usace.army.mil, OR PREPARED IN WRITING AND MAILED TO THE

ATTENTION OF John Short AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS, TO REACH THIS OFFICE BY THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THIS NOTICE, otherwise, it will be presumed that there are no objections to the activity.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be fully considered during the public interest review for this permit application. Comments provided will become part of the public record for this permit application. All written comments, including contact information, will be made a part of the administrative record, available to the public under the Freedom of Information Act. The Administrative Record, or portions thereof, may also be posted on a Corps of Engineers internet web site. Due to resource limitations, this office will normally not acknowledge the receipt of comments or respond to individual letters of comment.

Any person may request, in writing, before this public notice expires, that a public hearing be held to collect information necessary to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons why a public hearing should be held. It should be noted that information submitted by mail is considered just as carefully in the permit decision process and bears the same weight as that furnished at a public hearing.

According to the list of Federally-listed species on the Information for Planning and Conservation website for the New York Field Office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service the Northern Long-Eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), an endangered species may occur in the vicinity of the project site. However, because this undertaking will not involve the clearing of any trees, our preliminary determination is that the activity for which authorization is sought herein will not affect Federally endangered or threatened species or their critical habitat. However, pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531), if new information warrants, the District Engineer will consult with the appropriate Federal agency to determine the presence of and any potential impacts to listed species or their critical habitat in the project area.

By letter dated December 12, 2024, N.Y.S. Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (SHPO) indicated that it was the SHPO's opinion that no historic properties would be affected by the proposed undertaking.

The applicant has obtained or requested the following governmental authorization for the activity under consideration:

• Canal Occupancy Permit and Work Permit from the New York State Canal Corporation

In order for us to better serve you, please complete our Customer Service Survey located at:

http://www.nan.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/CustomerSurvey.aspx

It is requested that you communicate the foregoing information concerning the activity to any persons known by you to be interested and who did not receive a copy of this notice. If you have any questions concerning this application, you may contact John Short of this office at (518) 266-6354.

http://www.nan.usace.army.mil

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF
Stephan A. Ryba
Chief, Regulatory Branch

Enclosures

WORK DESCRIPTION

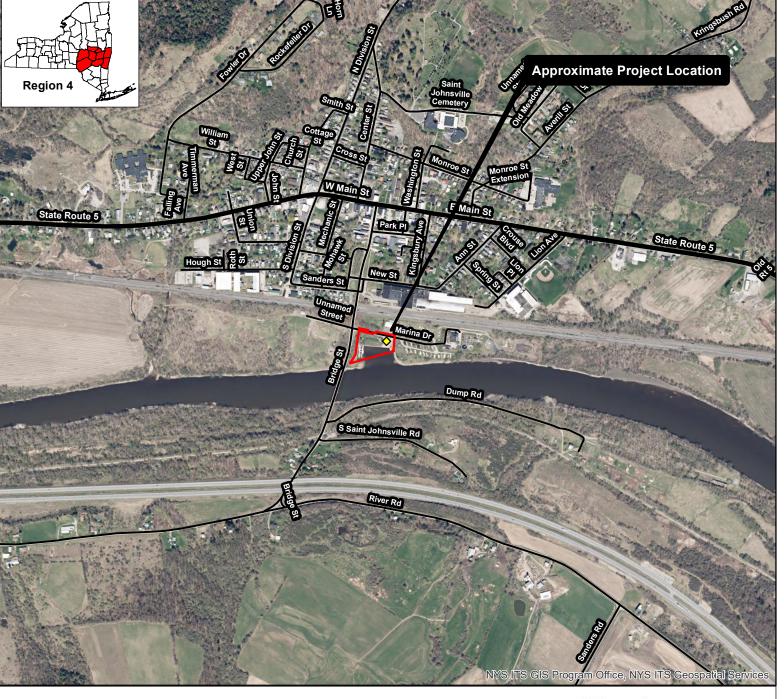
The applicant, the Village of St. Johnsville, has requested Department of the Army permit for work, including the placement of structures, in the Mohawk River, in the Village of St. Johnsville, Montgomery County, New York.

The work would involve the expansion of seasonal docking facilities at an existing marina named St. Johnsville Marina by installing a new floating pier system. The new pier system would consist of a total of sixty (60) 5' wide by 10' long dock segments, one (1) 5' wide by 5' long corner dock segment, and two (2) triangular dock segments with two 5' long sides and a 7' 1" long hypotenuse.

Fifty (50) 5' wide by 10' long pier segments, one (1) 5' wide by 5' long corner pier segment, and two (2) triangular pier segments with two 5' long sides and a 7' 1" hypotenuse would be formed in an L- shaped configuration and be attached to the existing concrete canal wall by a 3' wide by 6' long gangway. The proposed L shaped pier will have one segment that is 150' long and another segment 195' in length. The interior side of the L-shaped pier will have a total of eight (8), 20' long floating pier segments installed perpendicular to the main pier sections. The L-shaped dock configuration will have an area of 2,550 square feet. Ten (10) 5' wide by 10' long dock segments would be formed in an I-shaped configuration and will be attached to a concrete abutment with a ramp abutment hinge and a 13' long ramp. The I-shaped pier will be 113' long and have an area of 565 square feet. The piers will be secured in place by using forty-five (45) 12" long by 8" wide anchors and thirty (30) pile driven 2" diameter pylons. The anchors will be removed and installed seasonally with the piers, and the pylons will remain in place permanently. The floating piers will rise and fall with the fluctuating water levels. As proposed, at their nearest point, the pier assembly would be located approximately 120 linear feet from the limits of the State navigation channel.

The proposal would increase the mooring capacity of the St. Johnsville Marina from approximately seven (7) recreational vessels to approximately thirty-two (32) recreational vessels and increase the total pier area from 0 square feet to 3,115 square feet. The piers would be installed in the marina after April 1 and would be removed by November 1 of each year.

The stated purpose of this project is to expand docking space capacity for recreational vessels in the St. Johnsville Marina.



PROJECT LOCATION & NYS RESOURCES MAP

VILLAGE OF ST JOHNSVILLE St Johnsville Marina St Rte 61 & Marina Dr **Town of St Johnsville Motgomery County** DEC ID: 4-2738-00051

August 9, 2024

1 inch = 1,000 feet

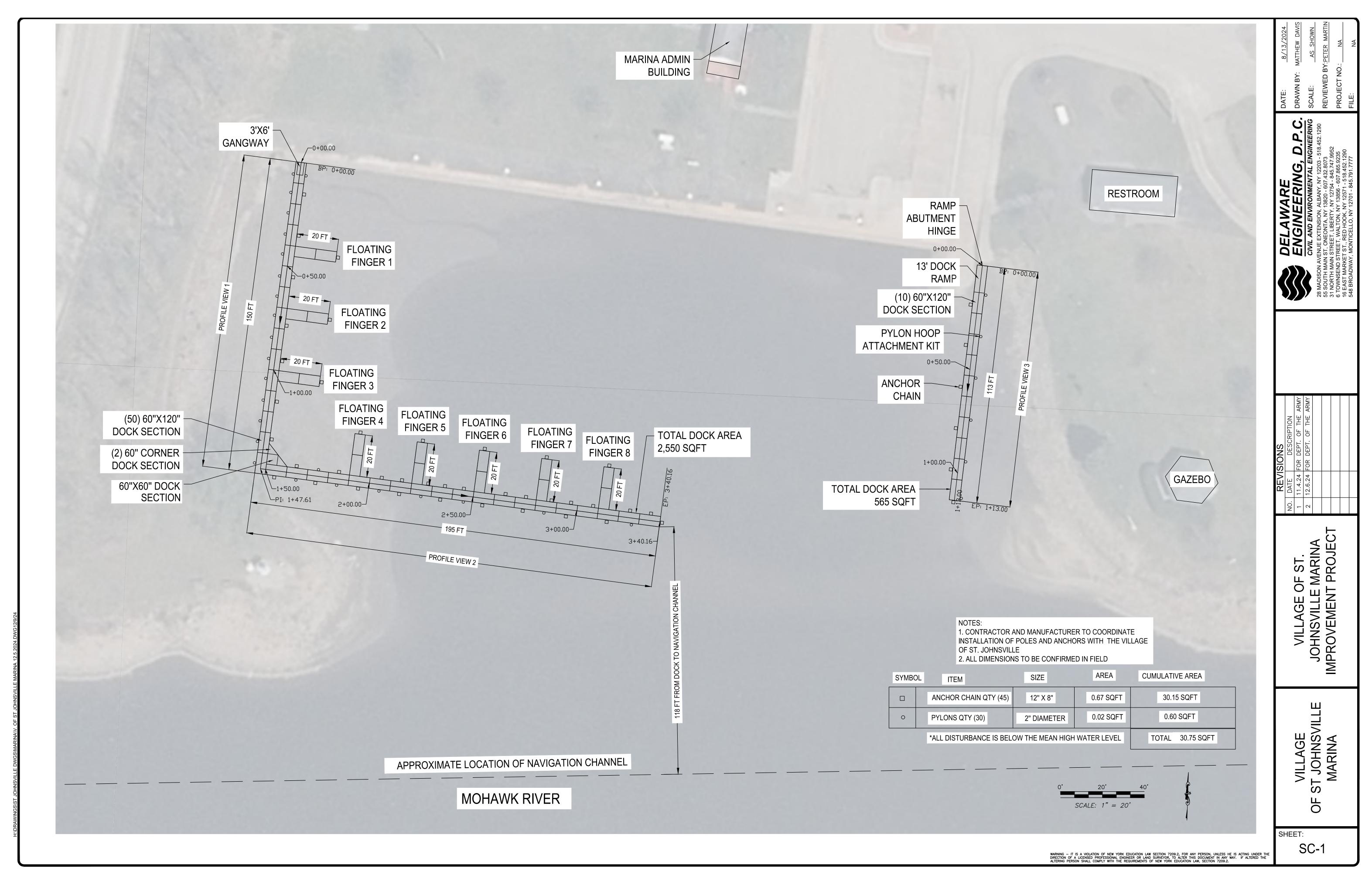


Department of **Environmental** Conservation

Disclaimer: This map was prepared by the NYSDEC Division of Environmental Permits

using the most current data available. It is deemed accurate but is not guaranteed. NYSDEC

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App. No. NAN-2024-00723-USH, Village of St. Johnsville d/b/a St. Johnsville Marina

