

Background information for agenda topic #8C:

Surface Water County Lake Grant

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Brief project summary:

This project will protect and enhance wetlands and surface water quality and increase our community's level of natural resource knowledge (Goals 1 & 2 in the 2020-2029 Oneida Cty Land & Water Resource Mgmt Plan). LWCD will develop a lake classification system integrating land and recreational use stressors and begin implementing the Healthy Watersheds & High Quality Waters Action Plan. By using these two strategies, LWCD will protect healthy watersheds and the high quality waters within them.

In addition, the project will also provide an opportunity for our Department to revise Oneida County's LWRM 5-year Work Plan. The revision will reference the newly created lake classification system and develop objectives and activities related to land and recreational use stressors, healthy watersheds, and high priority lakes. All of these topics were notably missing from the 2020-2024 Work Plan.