

**RESOLUTION 22-**

**RESOLUTION MAKING SEQRA DECLARATION OF LEAD AGENCY AND  
AUTHORIZING SUBAPPLICATION TO NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF  
HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES HAZARD MITIGATION  
GRANT PROGRAM (HMGP) DR-4480 FOR SALMON CREEK STREAMBANK  
STABILIZATION PROJECT**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, The Town of Lansing, in cooperation with Tompkins County Soil & Water Conservation District, proposes a long-term stabilization strategy including realignment of approximately 1,650 feet of Salmon Creek, a major tributary of Cayuga Lake, extending 110 feet upstream and 550 feet downstream of the current impacted roadbed area; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Lansing has aggressively pursued grant funding for the Salmon Creek Streambank Stabilization Project to support both water quality improvement and hazard mitigation, with cooperation from the Tompkins County Soil & Water Conservation District; and

WHEREAS, Tompkins County Soil & Water Conservation District, retained Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. in 2021 to prepare a Feasibility Study Stabilization of Salmon Creek; and

WHEREAS, this project incorporates that Feasibility Study as well as the recent FEMA Seneca HUC8 Risk MAP Watershed Study engineering data models for Salmon Creek (including Gage Analysis and Tributary Regression Analysis) for the purpose of determining the technical and financial feasibility of designing a long-term stabilization strategy; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Lansing on December 15, 2021, did adopt in its entirety, the 2021 Tompkins County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update as the jurisdiction's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan and resolved to execute the actions identified in the Plan that pertain to this jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, this Salmon Creek Streambank Stabilization Project is the priority Town project (Project Number T LANSING-001) as identified in the Tompkins County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update jurisdictional Annex and includes several water quality and flood mitigation components; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) DR-4480 Funding Opportunity is a competitive grant program open to local governments for action taken to reduce the long-term risk to people or property from natural hazards and their effect; and

WHEREAS, 6 NYCRR Part 617 of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) requires that a Lead Agency be established for conducting environmental review of projects in accordance with local and state environmental law; and

WHEREAS, this is an Unlisted Action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and is subject to environmental review; and

WHEREAS, State Law specifies that for actions governed by local environmental review, the Lead Agency shall be that local agency which has primary responsibility for approving and carrying out the action; and

WHEREAS, the Action is subject to review and approvals from other involved agencies that include the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is the local agency with primary responsibility for approving the action; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Lansing does hereby declare its intent to be Lead Agency for the environmental review for the Salmon Creek Streambank Stabilization Project and Improvement Project and directs staff to submit a Project Subapplication for funding from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services.