

# VILLAGE OF SARANAC LAKE LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PROGRAM UPDATE

WATERFRONT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (WAC) MEETING #5





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# Agenda

Welcome & Schedule Update

LWRP Proposed Projects Update

Public Engagement Update

Next Steps



# WELCOME / SCHEDULE UPDATE

PROJECT TASK	DEC 2021	JAN 2022	FEB 2022	MAR 2022	APR 2022	MAY 2022	JUN 2022	JUL 2022	AUG 2022	SEP 2022	0CT 2022	NOV 2022	DEC 2022	JAN 2023	FEB 2023	MAR 2023
COMMITTEE MEETINGS	Δ		<b>A</b>			<b>A</b>		Δ			Δ					
TASK 6: PROJECT MEETING																
TASK 7: COMMUNITY OUTREACH PLAN				<b>\rightarrow</b>									<b>\rightarrow</b>			
TASK 8: SECTION I - WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION AREA BOUNDARY																
TASK 9: SECTION II - INVENTORY & ANALYSIS																
TASK 10: FIRST PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING					0											
TASK 11: SECTION III - LWRP PROGRAM POLICIES																
TASK 12: SECTION IV - PROPOSED LAND/WATER USES & PROJECTS																
TASK 13: SECOND PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING													0			
TASK 14: SECTION V - TECHNIQUES FOR LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION																
TASK15: SECTION VI - FEDERAL/STATE ACTIONS AFFECTING IMPLEMENTATION																
TASK 16: SECTION VII - LOCAL COMMITMENT & CONSULTATION												j				
TASK 17: SEQRA COMPLIANCE																
TASK 18: DRAFT LWRP (INCLUDES DOS LEGAL REVIEW & 60-DAY REVIEW)																

\*Schedule is subject to change.

SYMBOL	ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY
	Public Meeting (In-Person)
<b>A</b>	Waterfront Committee Meeting (Web-Based)
Δ	Waterfront Committee Meeting (In-Person)

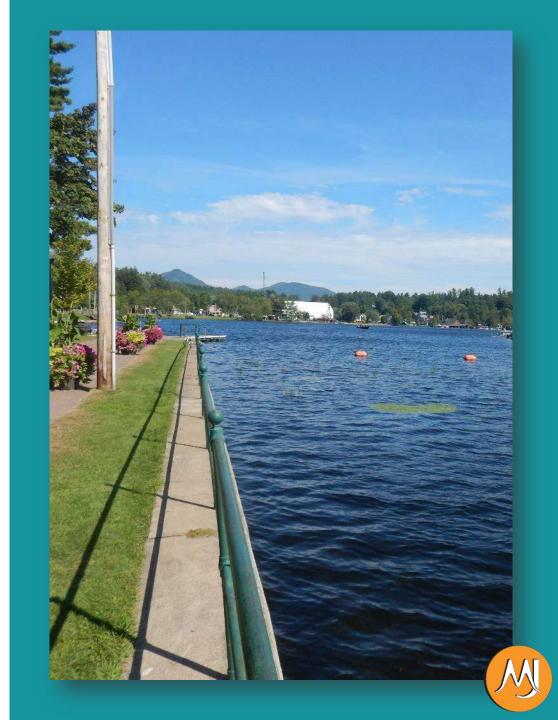
SYMBOL	ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY						
	Stakeholder Group Meeting(Web-Based)						
<b>*</b>	Village Board Update (Web-Based)						
	Site Visit						

# PROPOSED LWRP PROJECT UPDATE

### **Project Categories**

(From WAC, Stakeholder and Public Input)

- Water Quality & Resiliency
- Connections
- Waterfront Access, Amenities & Improvements
- Education, Art & Interpretation
- Infrastructure
- Zoning



### **Water Quality & Resiliency**

- Green Infrastructure
   Feasibility & Assessment
- Shoreline Protection Program
- Flood Zone Mapping Update
- Partnerships with State
   Agencies on Water Quality
- Expand Urban Canopy

### **Connections**

- Lake Colby Beach
   Connection to Rail-Trail
- River Street Corridor Connections & Bike/Ped Improvements

### **Waterfront Improvements**

- Riverside Park
- Prescott Park
- Riverfront Park
- William Wallace/Lake Colby Beach
- Baldwin Park
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- Whitewater Park
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# Education, Art & Interpretation

- Lake Flower Art, Education& Interpretation
- Programming partnerships for Educating Visitors & Residents

### Infrastructure

- Dam Improvement & Modernization Study
- Water Infrastructure Improvements on NY86
- Wastewater Plant Improvements

### **Zoning**

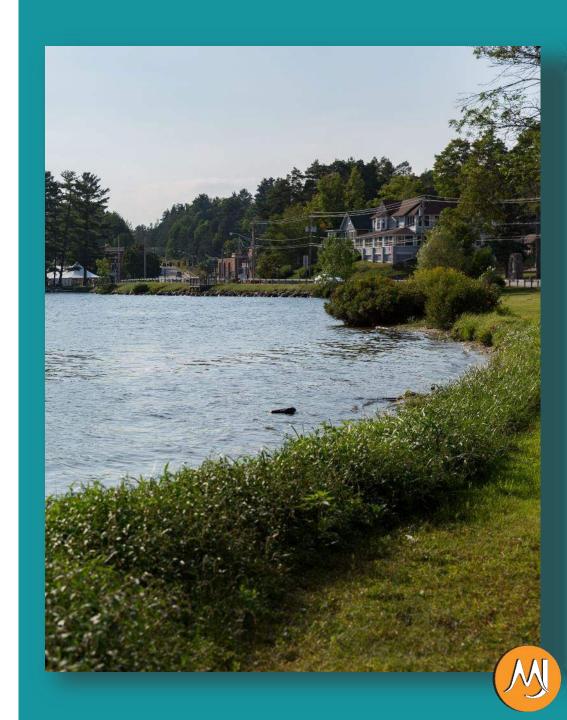
 Zoning Update to incorporate sustainability elements



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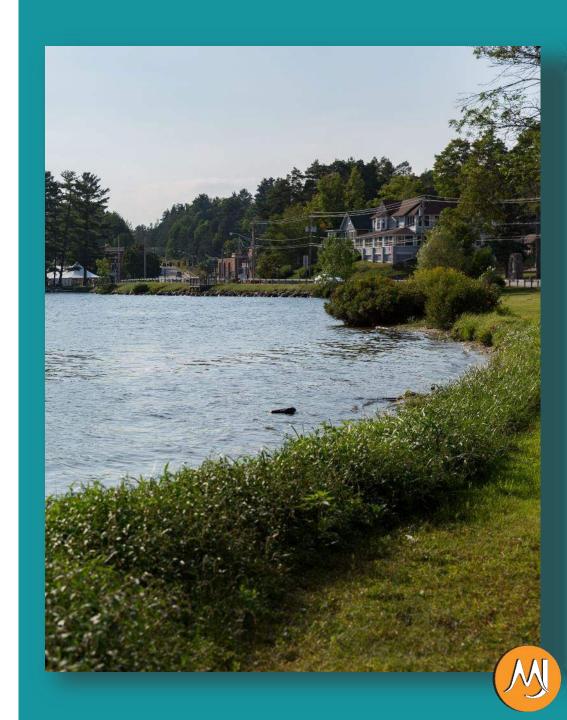
- Implement condition assessment and invasive species inventories
- Stream Visual Assessment Protocol
  - Riparian buffer assessment
  - Bank stabilization
- Invasive species inventory through Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program (APIPP)



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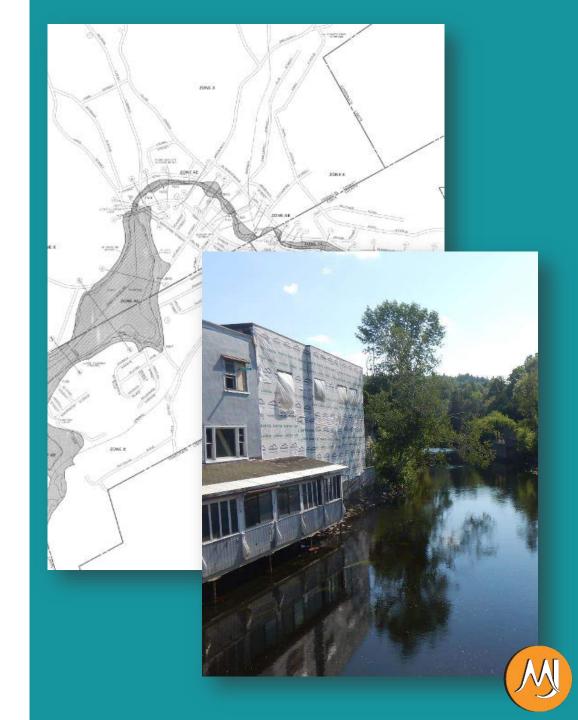
- Partnerships to plant native/salt tolerant plants and monitor invasive species
  - NYSDEC
  - Trees for Tribs
  - Other local non-profits
- Bring in an education aspect on importance of riparian buffers, native plants and pollinators, and reducing road salt



### **Water Quality & Resiliency**

### Flood Zone Mapping Update

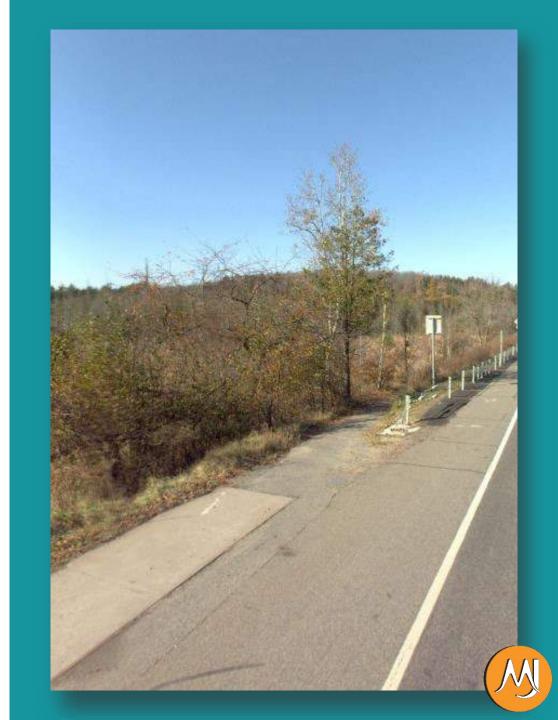
- Current Flood Zone Data from FEMA dates back to 1992
- Inaccurate floodplain boundaries, particularly for 500-year
- Project to involve the assessment and updated of floodplain mapping
- Assessment then submitted to the Village, FEMA to begin map revision process

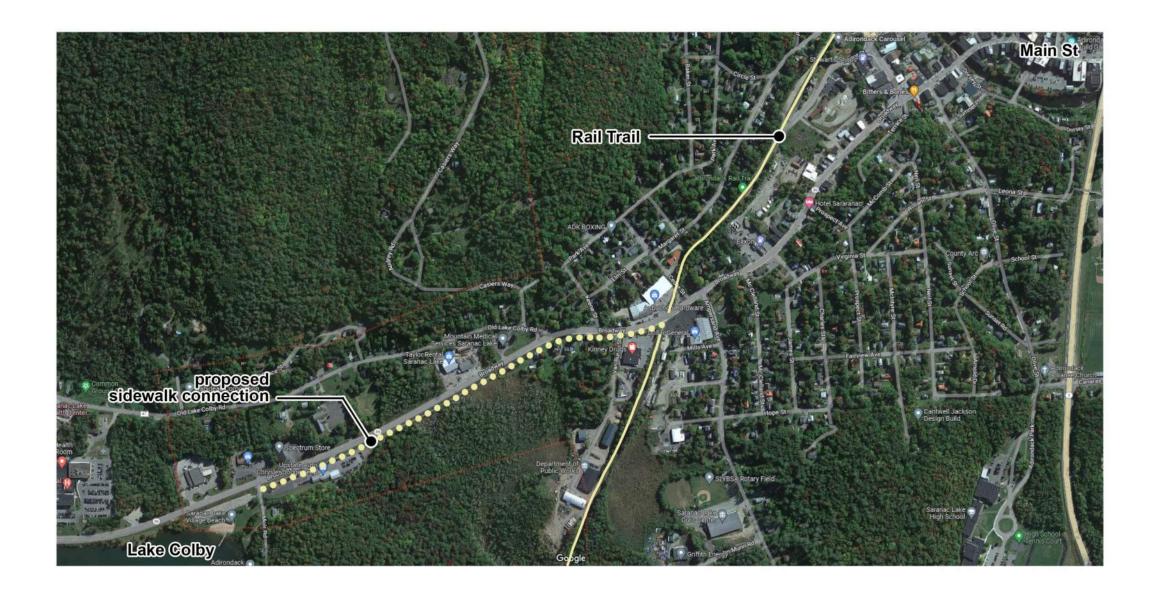


### **Connections**

Lake Colby Beach to Rail Trail, Downtown

- Existing asphalt trail not ADA accessible, dips below grade
- Improve connection with new sidewalk, providing connection to the rail trail and downtown Saranac Lake.













### **Connections**

### **River Street Corridor**

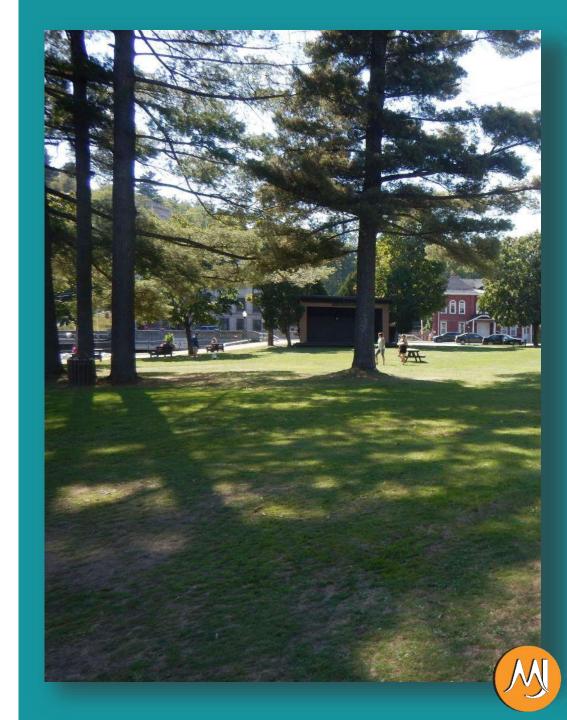
- Desire for dedicated bike lanes
- Improvements to River St/86, safe access from rail trail to waterfront parks
- Potential Options:
  - Two-way dedicated bike lane on Lake Flower side of River Street
  - Dedicated, one-way bike lane on either side of River Street.
- Initiating dialogue with NYSDOT





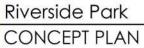
# Waterfront Access & Improvements Riverside Park (Teddy Bear Park)

- From Parks Vision Plan
- Refinements/Additions from Vision:
  - Additional landscape enhancements
  - Enhance lake-edge vegetation
  - Two options for temporary restroom location















# Waterfront Access & Improvements Prescott Park (Ice Palace)

- From Parks Vision Plan
- Refinements/Additions from Vision:
  - Fishing Access
  - Addition of trail
  - Explore feasibility of trail materials due to flood plain (ex. Boardwalk)







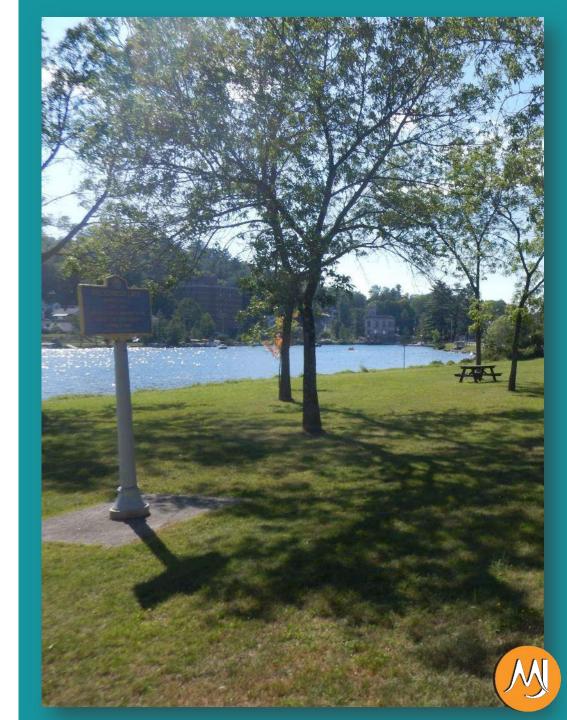






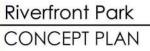
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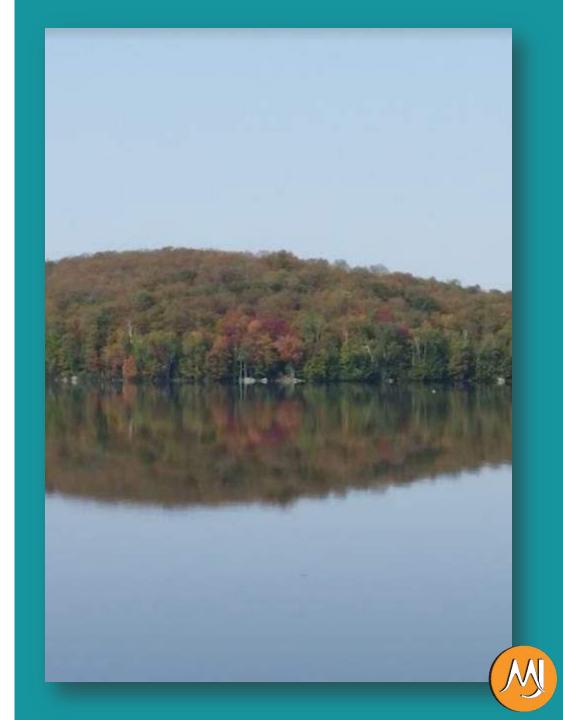




Waterfront Access & Improvements

Lake Colby Beach (William Wallace Park)

- From Parks Vision Plan
- Addition of kayak rental racks
- Addition of beach fence to allow yearround access to pavilion.

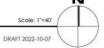






**CONCEPT PLAN** 











## Public Engagement

### **Public Meeting #2**

- Week of December 12, 2022
- Present LWRP Projects
- Proposed Format:
  - In-person
  - Open House Style sharing Proposed Projects Information
  - Slideshow with LWRP program overview
  - Online Projects Questionnaire







# Next Steps

- Public Workshop #2 TBD Dec 2022
- WAC #6 TBD Winter 2023
- MJ to Further Refine Projects
  - Including NYSDOT communication
- Continue Development of LWRP Sections

