Greenprinting for Open Space Preservation

Natural Resources Summary and Land Use Decision Factors

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- How to consider natural resources when considering development...
- Natural Resources: Soil, Water, Air, Plants, Animals
 How do you know which resources are protected?
 Where can you learn more about your town's resources?
- When someone builds something are they:
 - Going to be in harm's way?
 - Going to cause harm to someone else?
 - Going to cause environmental damage or damage to infrastructure (drainage, roads)?

Caution... repair.





What is Greenprinting?

- Municipal Planning Initiative
- Smart Growth Strategy
- Open Space Preservation
- Natural Resource Protection



Why Protect Open Spaces?

People like it!

The top cities in the US in Money Magazine's poll all include open space for recreation.

Considerations:

- Walkable neighborhoods
- Strong sense of place
- Reduced flood threats: STORMWATER RUNOFF!!
- Enhances community vitality
 - Re-direct growth toward existing infrastructure to reduce
- sprawl

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Protect water quality

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Key resources to keep in mind when considering development:

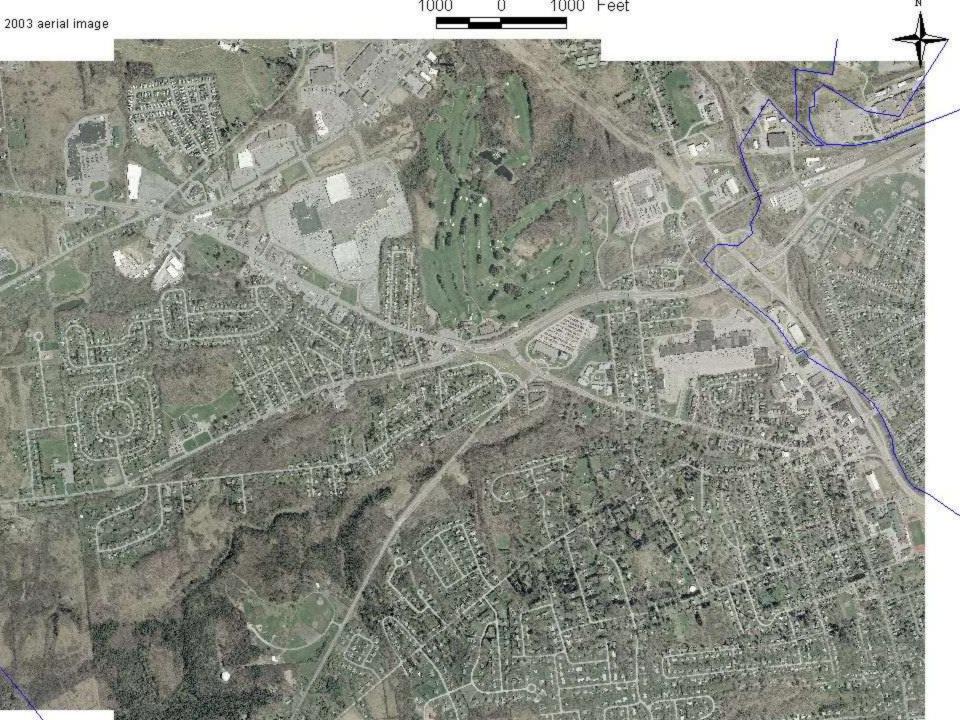
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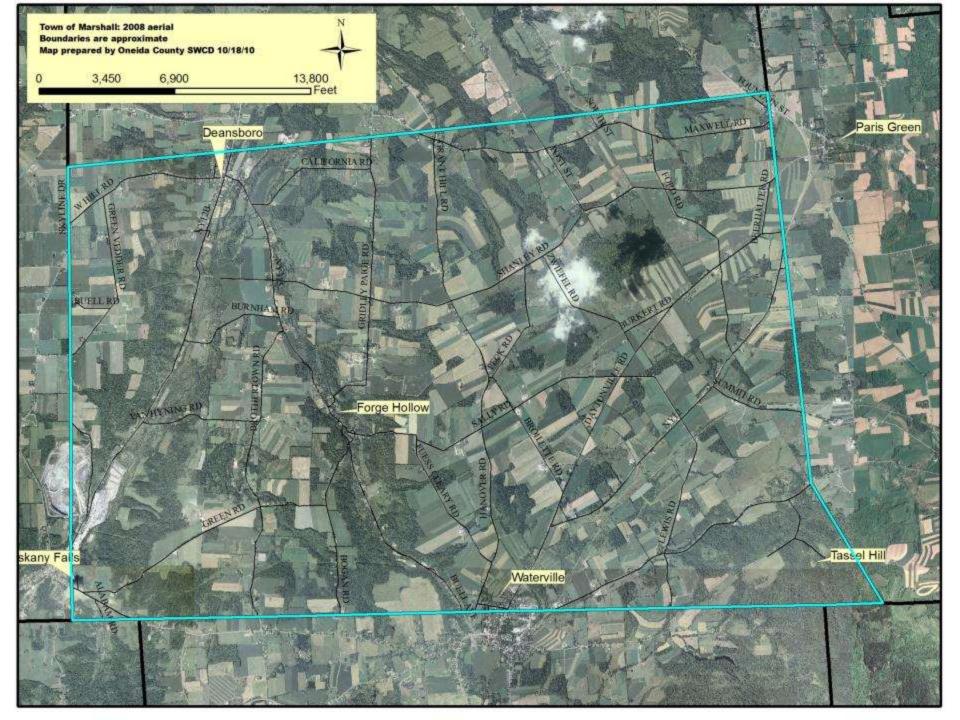
- •Floodplains •Erosion
- •Wetlands
- •Steep slopes
- Archeological sites
- •Potential Stormwater Runoff

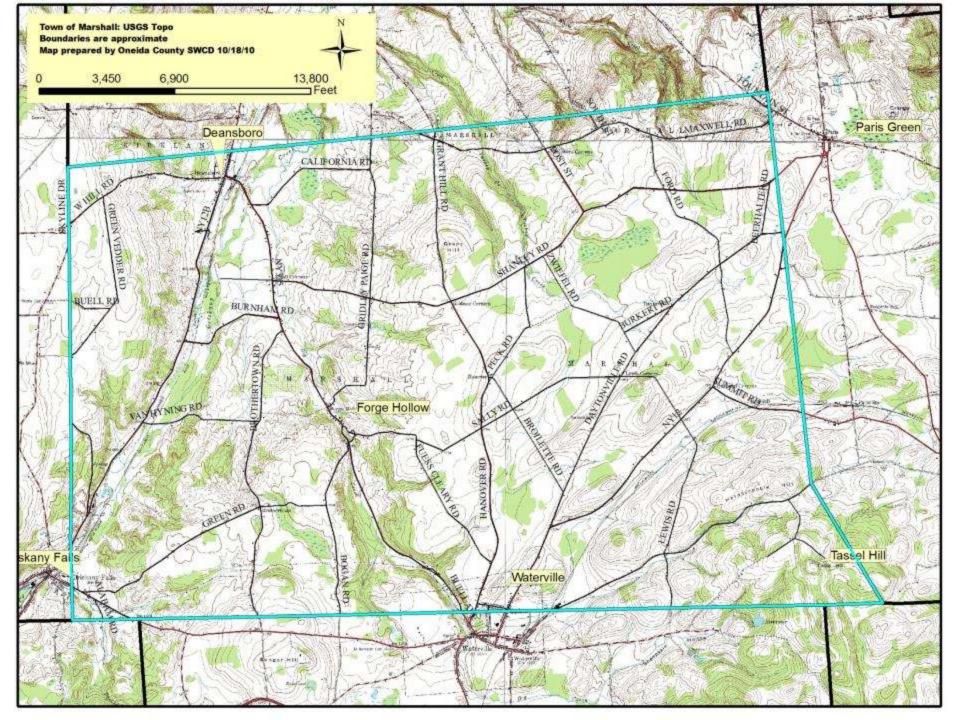


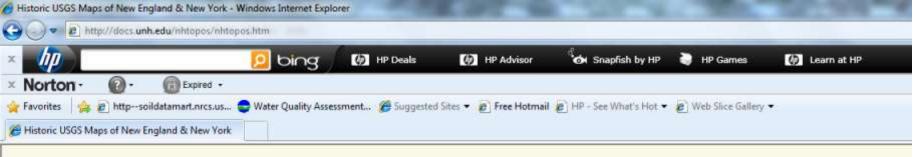












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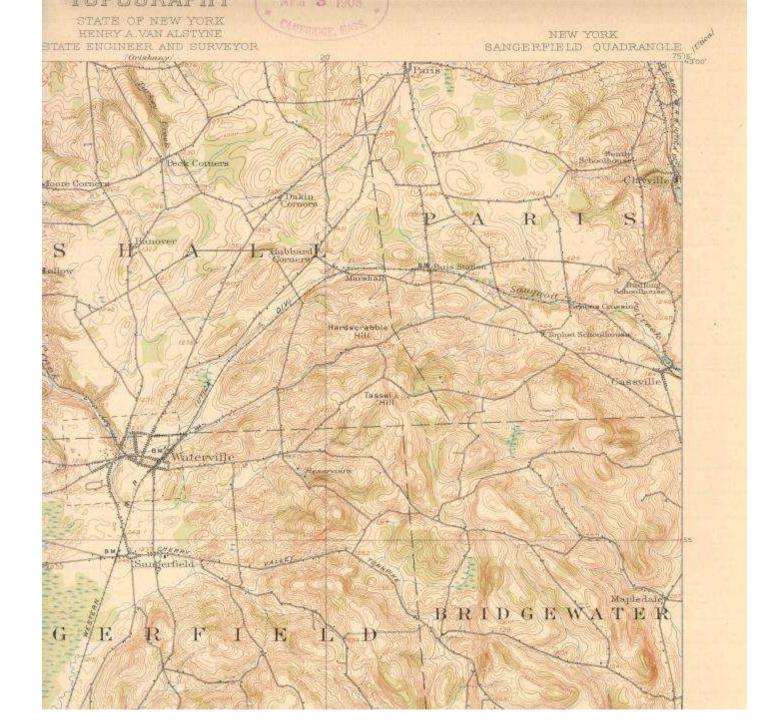
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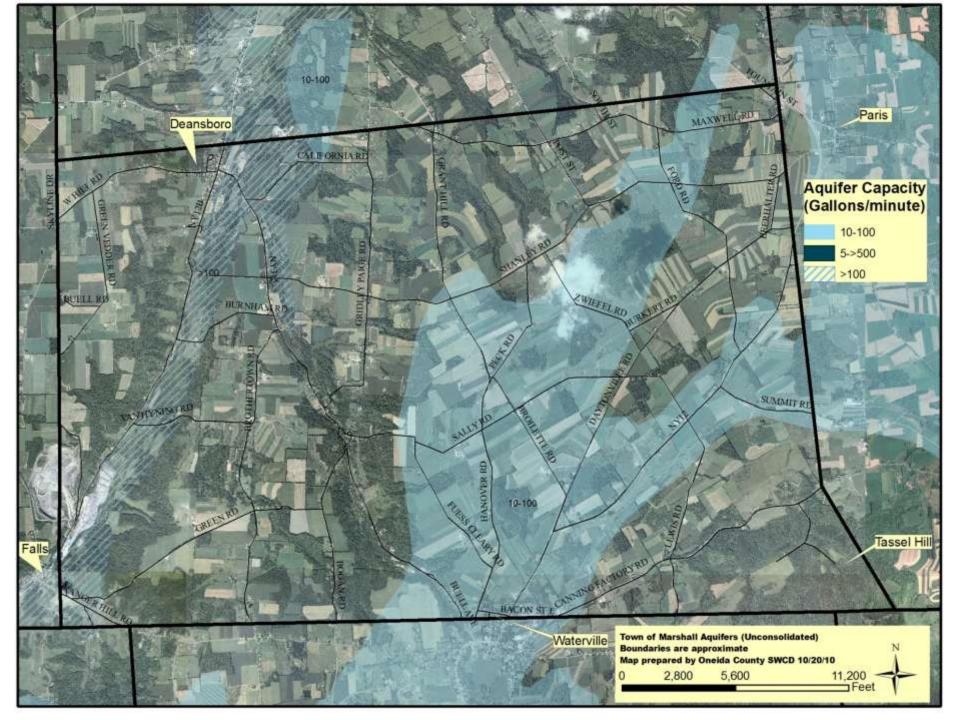
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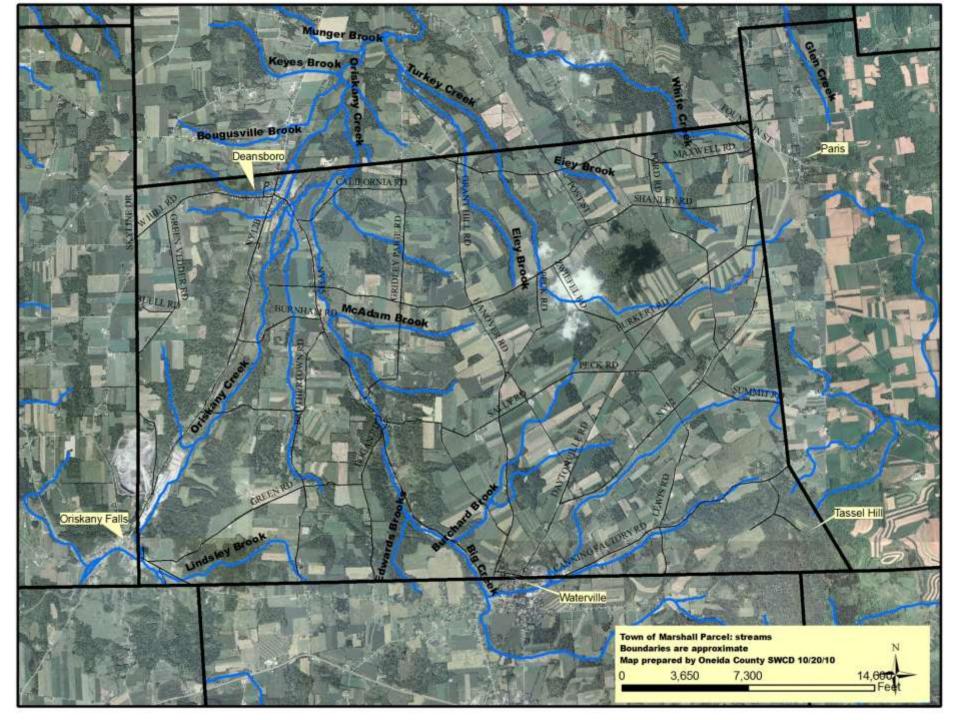
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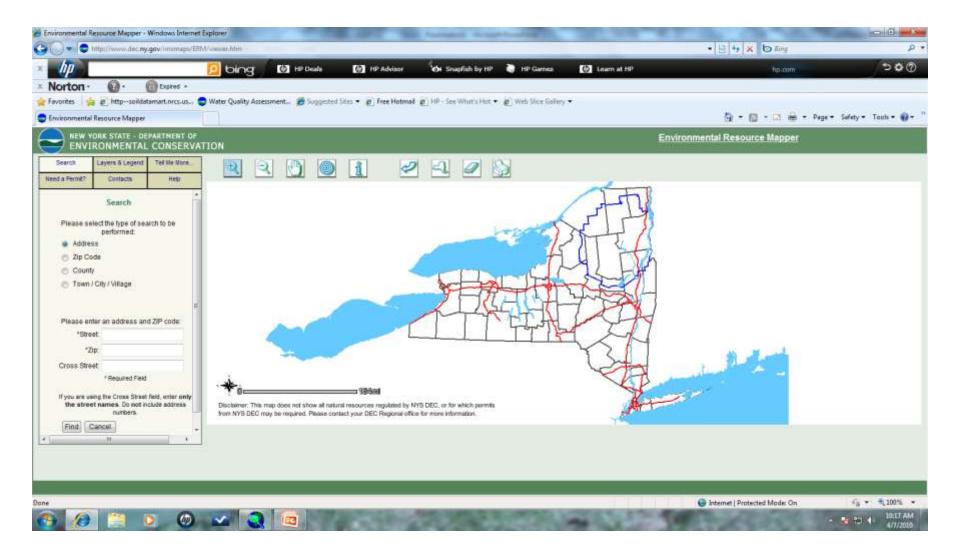
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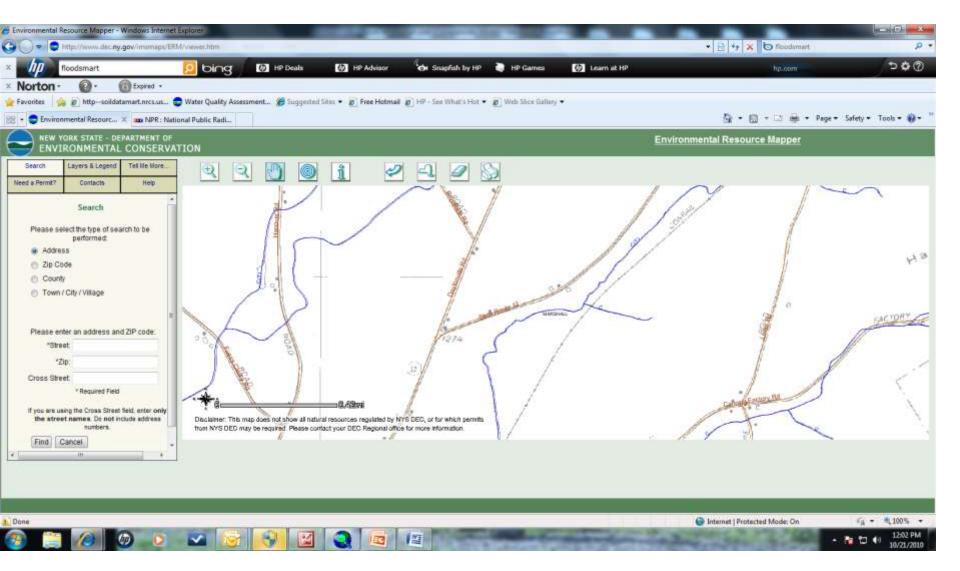








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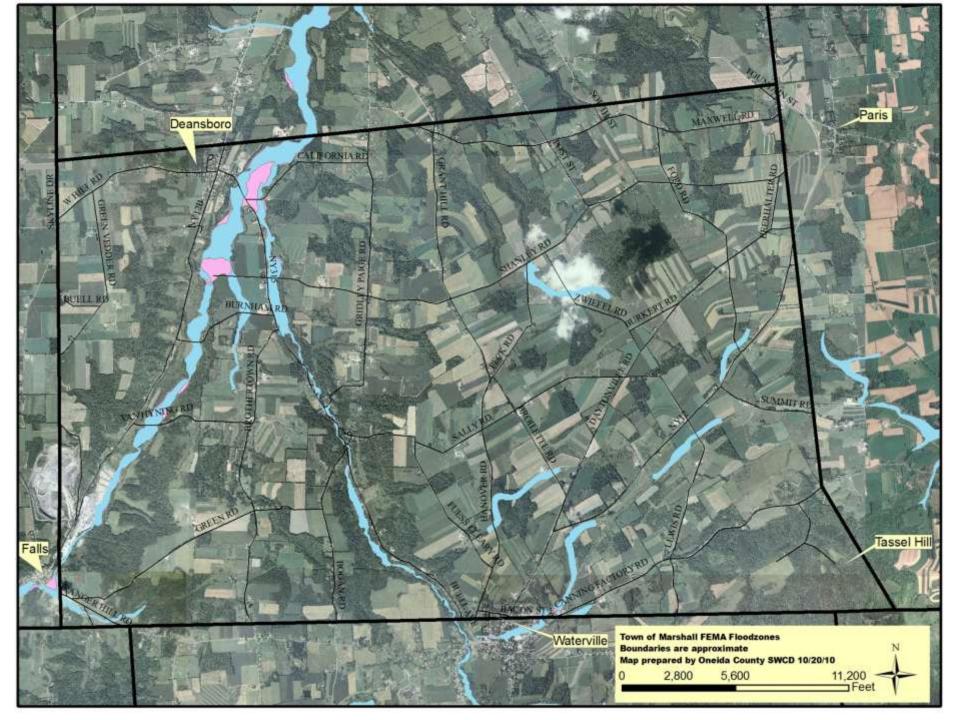


Stream Classifications and State Wetlands from DEC's Environmental Resource Mapper

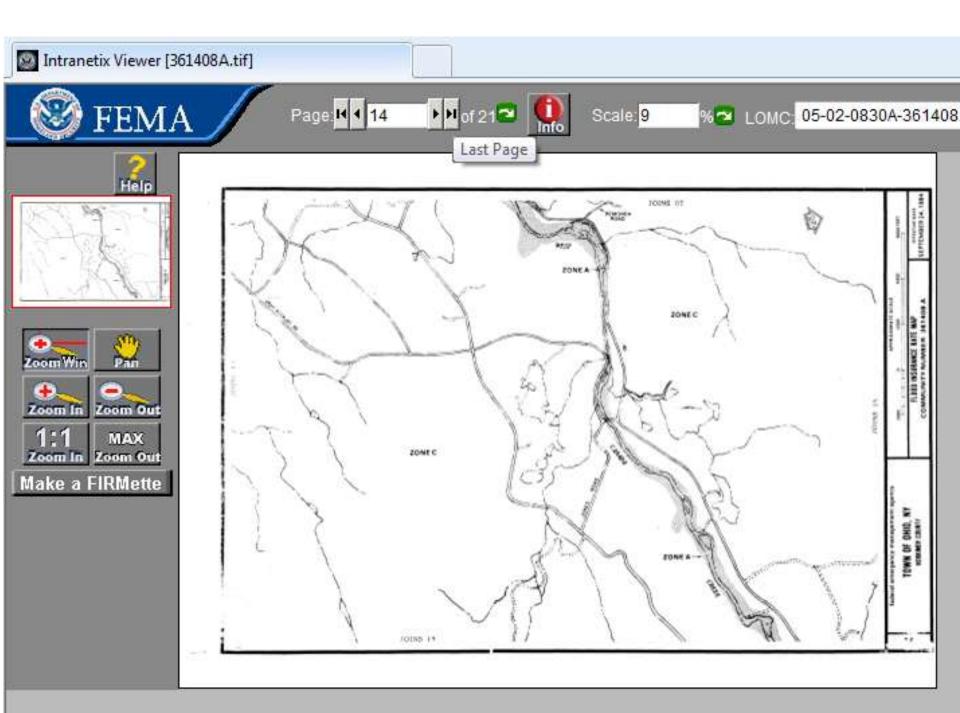
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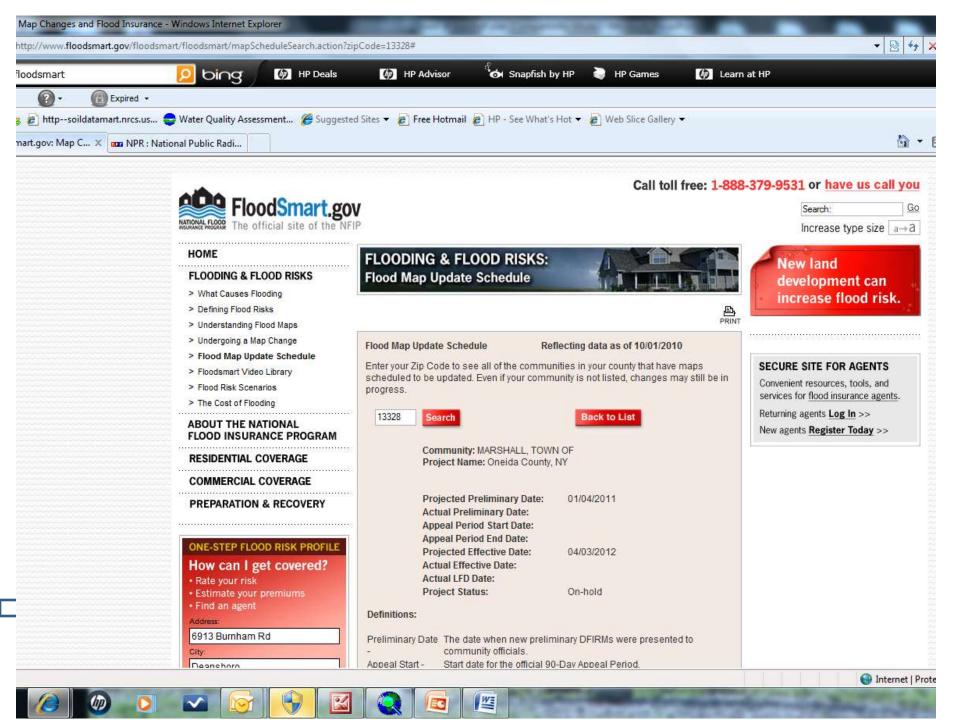
•The classifications A, AA, A-S and AA-S indicate a best usage for a source of drinking water, swimming and other recreation, and fishing.

- •Classification B indicates a best usage for swimming and other recreation, and fishing.
- •Classification C indicates a best usage for fishing.
- •Classification D indicates a best usage of fishing, but these waters will not support fish propagation.
- •Waters with classifications AA, A, B and C may be designated as trout waters (T) or suitable for trout spawning (TS).



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What is a floodplain?

Floodplains are low-lying lands next to rivers and streams. When left in a natural state, floodplain systems <u>store and dissipate floods</u> <u>without adverse impacts on humans</u>, buildings, roads and other infrastructure. Natural floodplains add to our quality of life by providing open space, habitat for wildlife, fertile land for agriculture, and opportunities for fishing, hiking and biking.

Floodplains can be viewed as a type of natural infrastructure that can provide a safety zone between people and the damaging waters of a flood.

But more and more buildings, roads, and parking lots are being built where forests and meadows used to be, which decreases the land's natural ability to store and absorb water. Coupled with changing weather patterns, this construction can make floods more severe and increase everyone's chance of being flooded. (NYSDEC)

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Flood Hazard Mapping User Groups Risk MAP		 What does a property owner need to do for FEMA to remove the flood insurance requirement? What elevation is used when rating a structure for a flood insurance policy? How do I determine if a community is participating in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)? What can be done when a lender and insurer have differing flood zone determinations? What is a "100-year flood" and how is it different from a "1-percent-annual-chance flood" or a "base flood"? What is the Coastel Partice Program System and how does it affect flood insurance? 							

8. What are the different flood hazard zone designations shown on a Flood Insurance Rate Map (FRIM), and what do they mean?

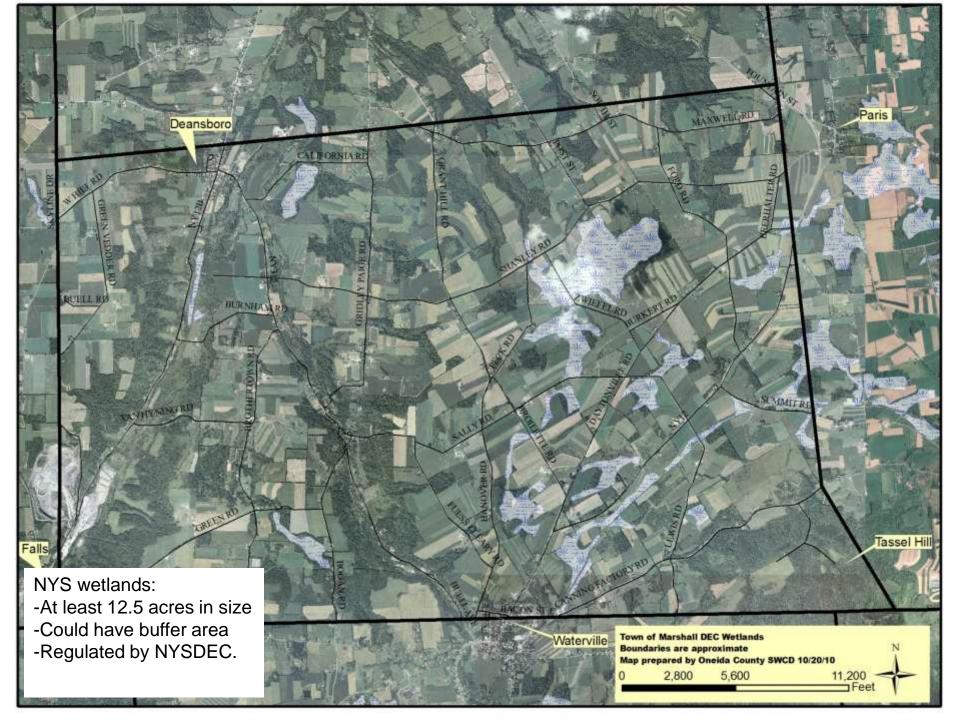
The zone designations shown on the FIRMs are defined below.

Zone A

Zone A is the flood insurance rate zone used for 1-percent-annual-chance (base flood) floodplains that are determined for the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) by approximate methods of analysis. Because detailed hydraulic analyses are not performed for such areas, no Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) or depths are shown in this zone. Mandatory flood insurance purchase requirements apply.

6. What is a "100-year flood" and how is it different from a "1-percent-annual-chance flood" or a "base flood?"

The term "100-year flood" is misleading. It is not the flood that will occur once every 100 years. Rather, it is the flood that has a 1-percent chance of being equaled or exceeded each year. Thus, the 100-year flood could occur more than once in a relatively short period of time or even within the same month. Because this term is misleading, FEMA has also defined it as the "1-percent-annual-chance flood." The "1-percent-annual-chance flood" is the term that is now used by most Federal and State agencies and by the National Flood Insurance Program.



What's a Wetland?

Wetlands (swamps, marshes, bogs, and similar areas) are areas saturated by surface or ground water sufficient to support distinctive vegetation adapted for life in saturated soil conditions.

Wetlands serve as natural habitat for many species of plants and animals and absorb the forces of flood and tidal erosion to prevent loss of upland soil. (NYSDEC)



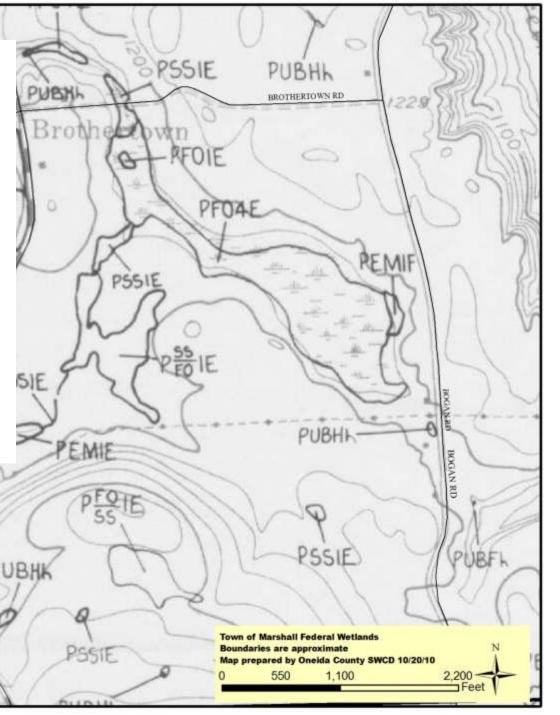
NYS DEC Env. Res. Mapper also shows DEC's wetlands buffers

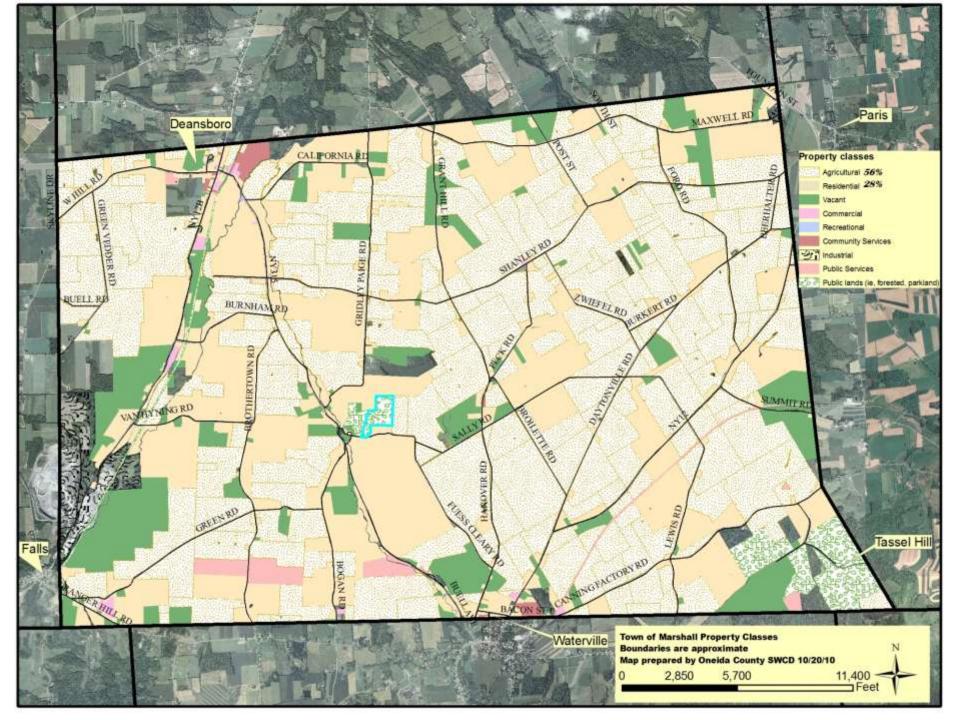
Federal Wetlands: -No minimum size -Regulated by Corps of Engineers -Maps are a **GUIDE** only! -Can include manmade ponds

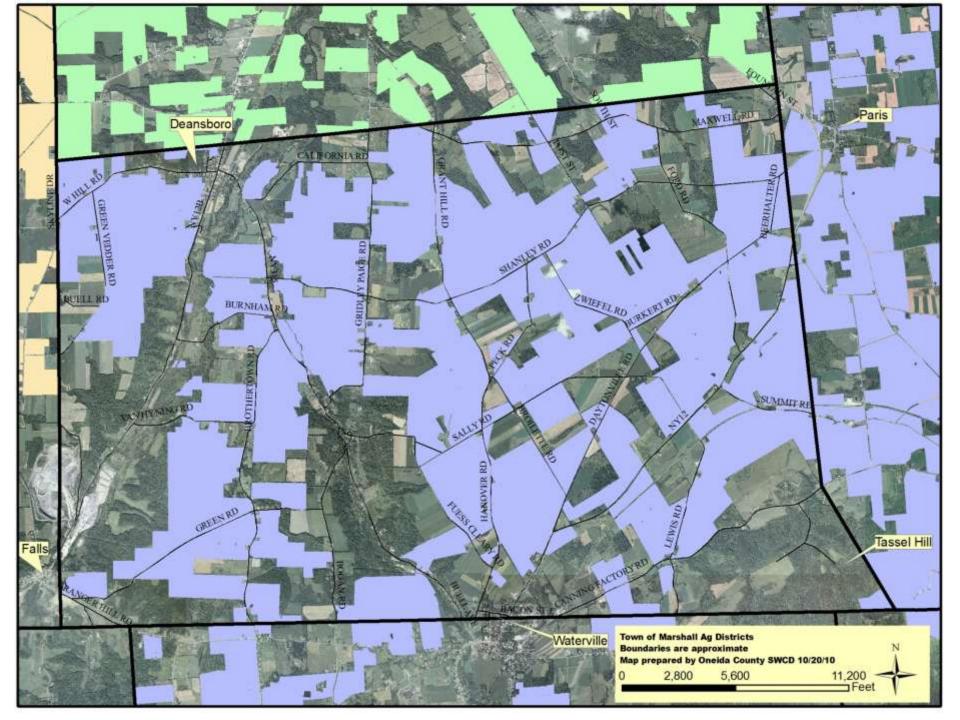
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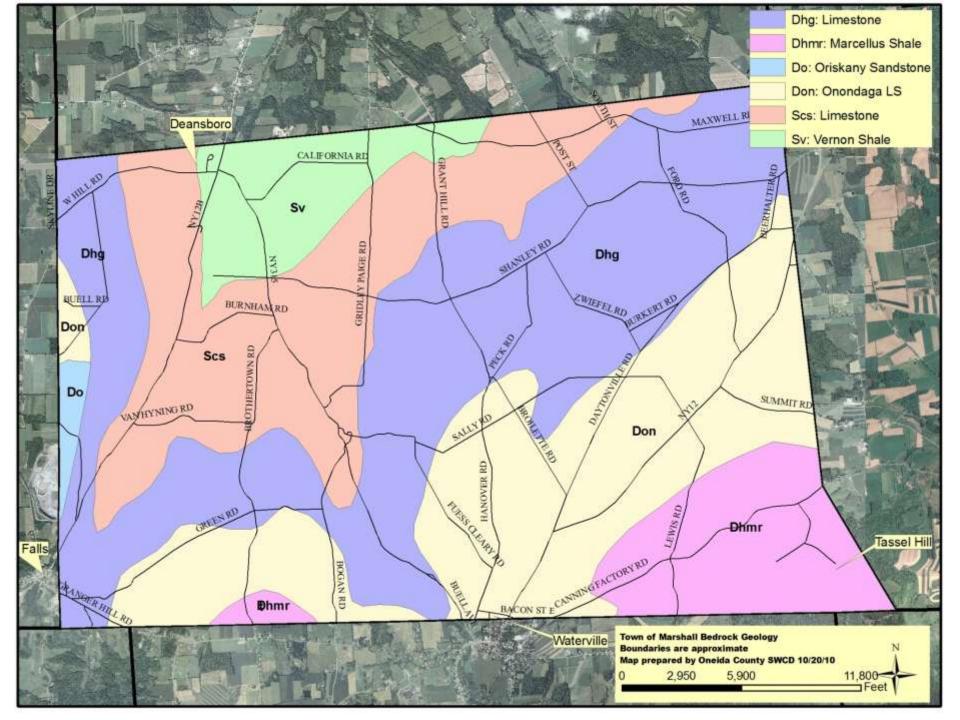
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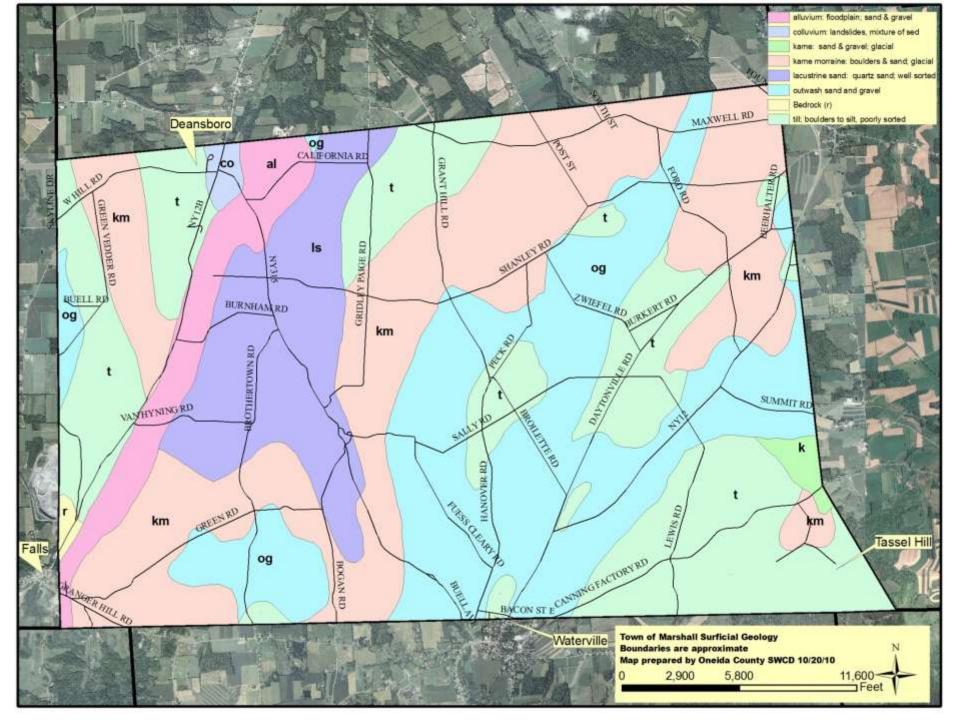
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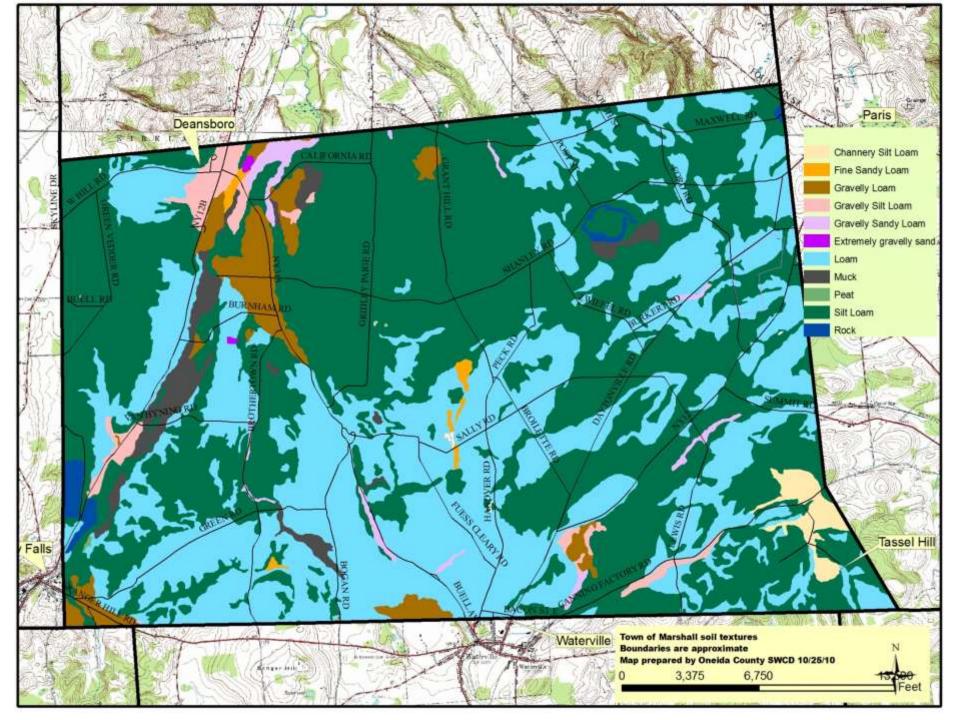


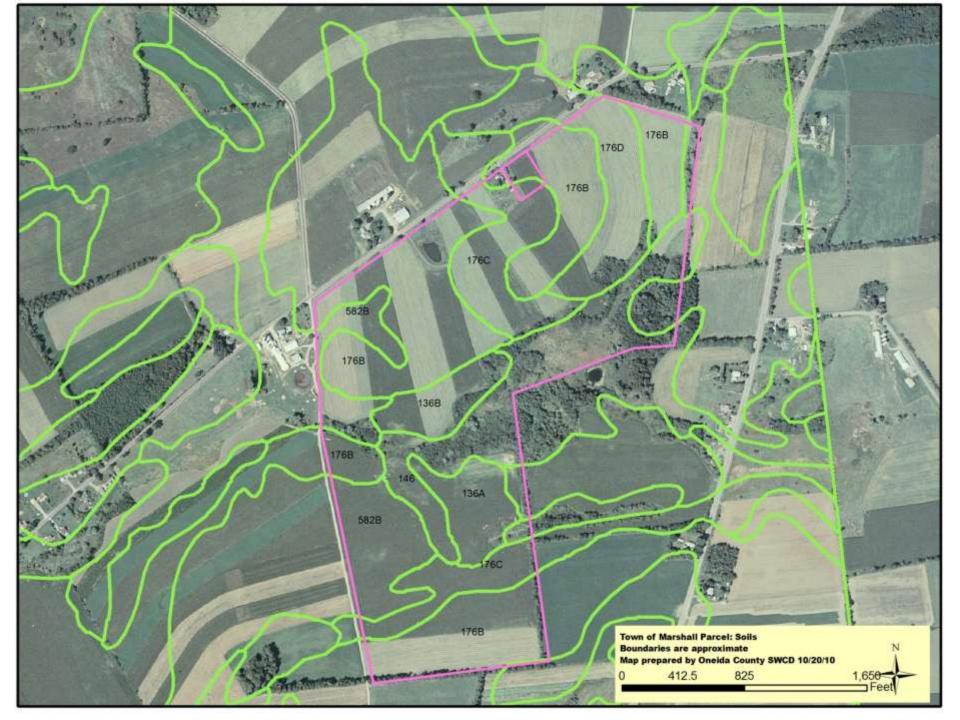














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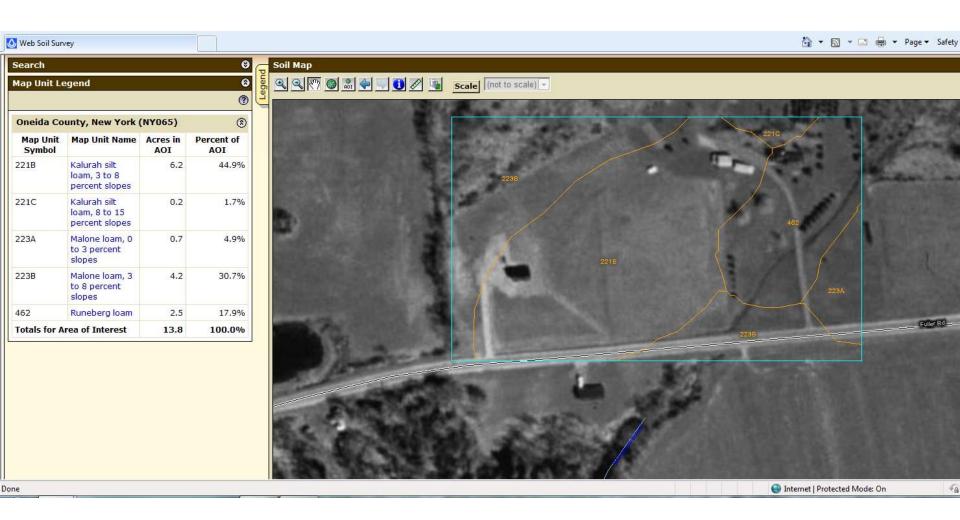
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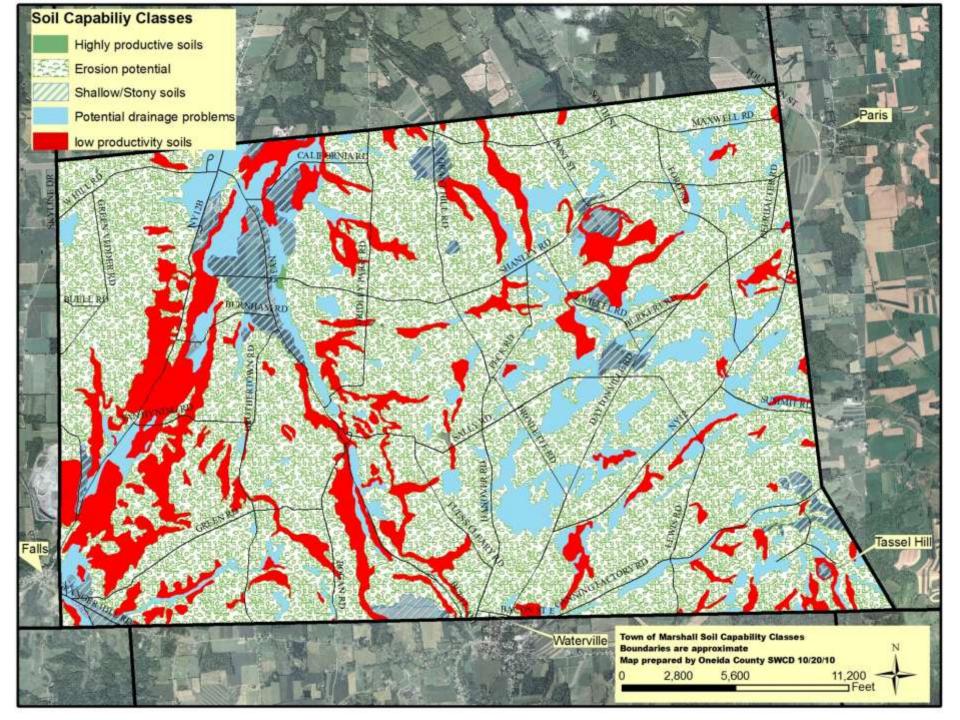
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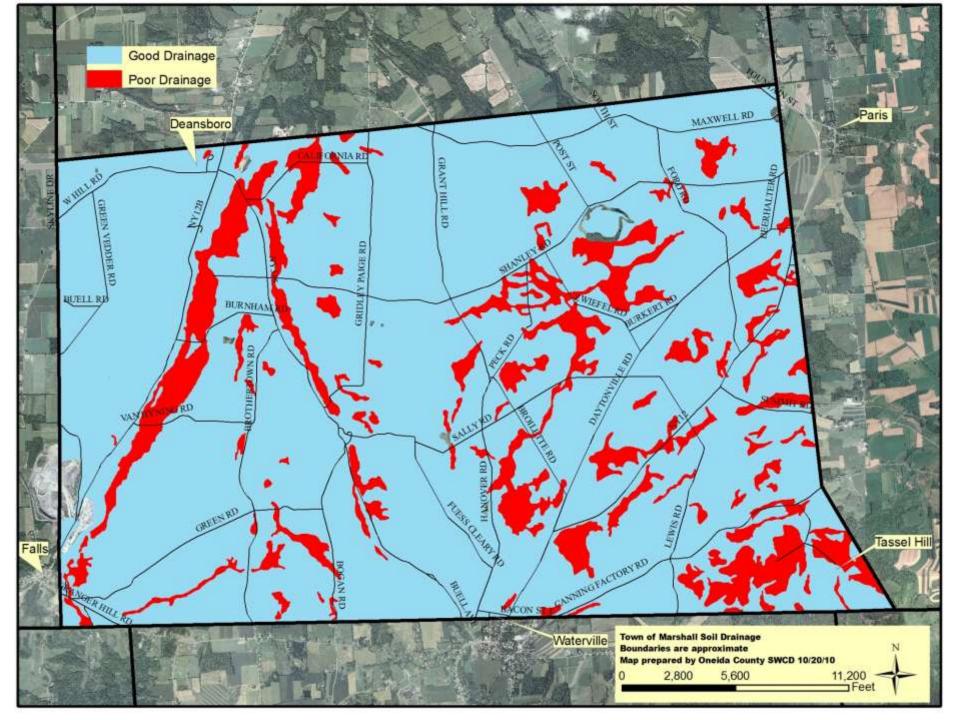
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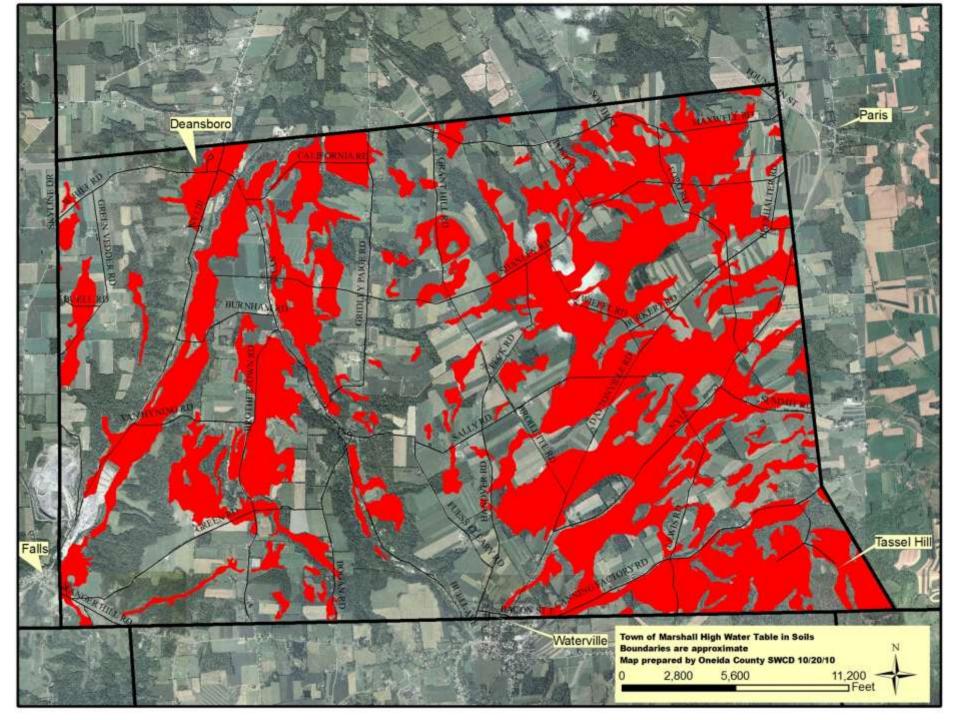
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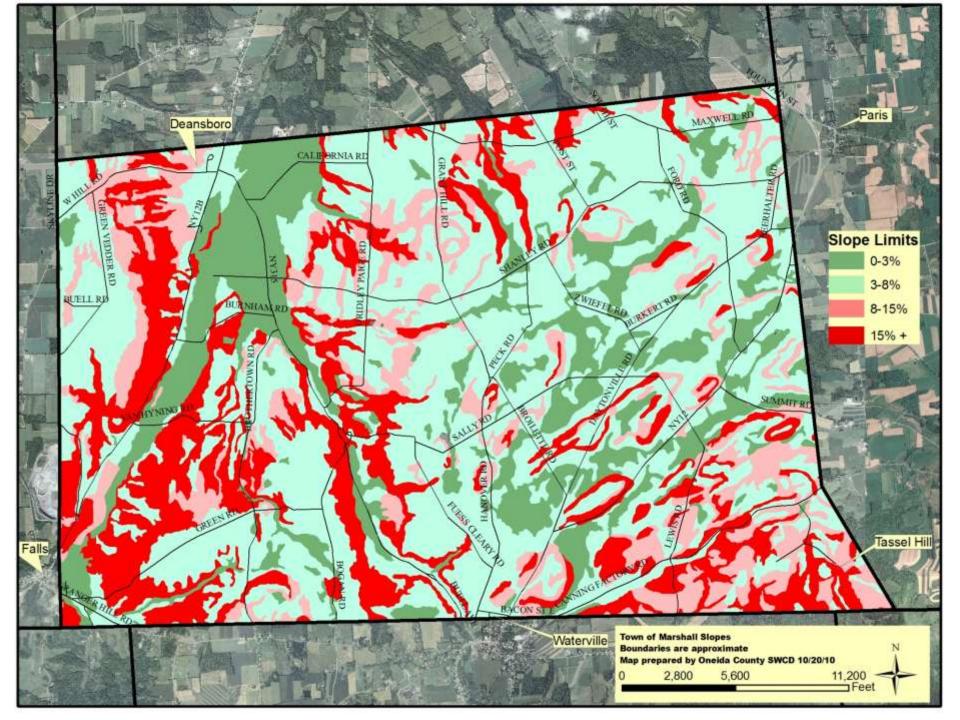


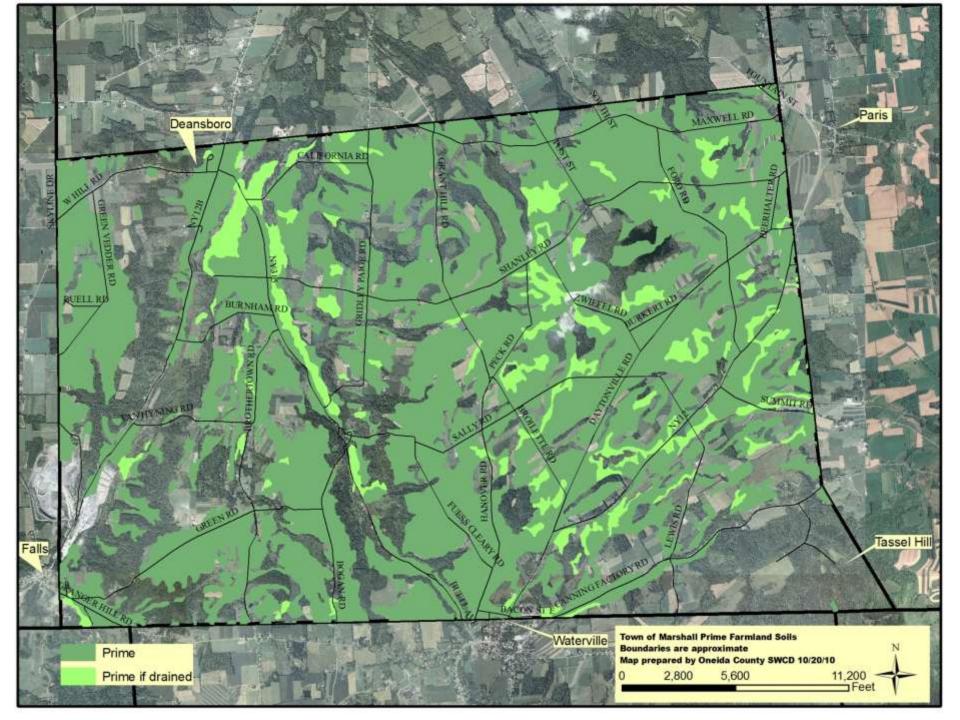
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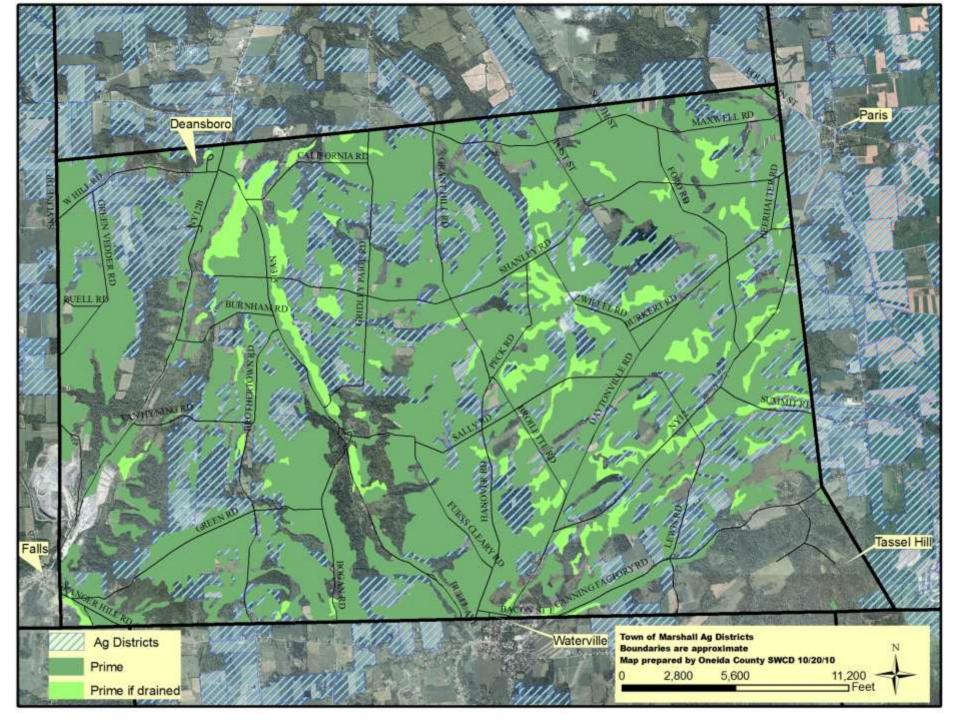


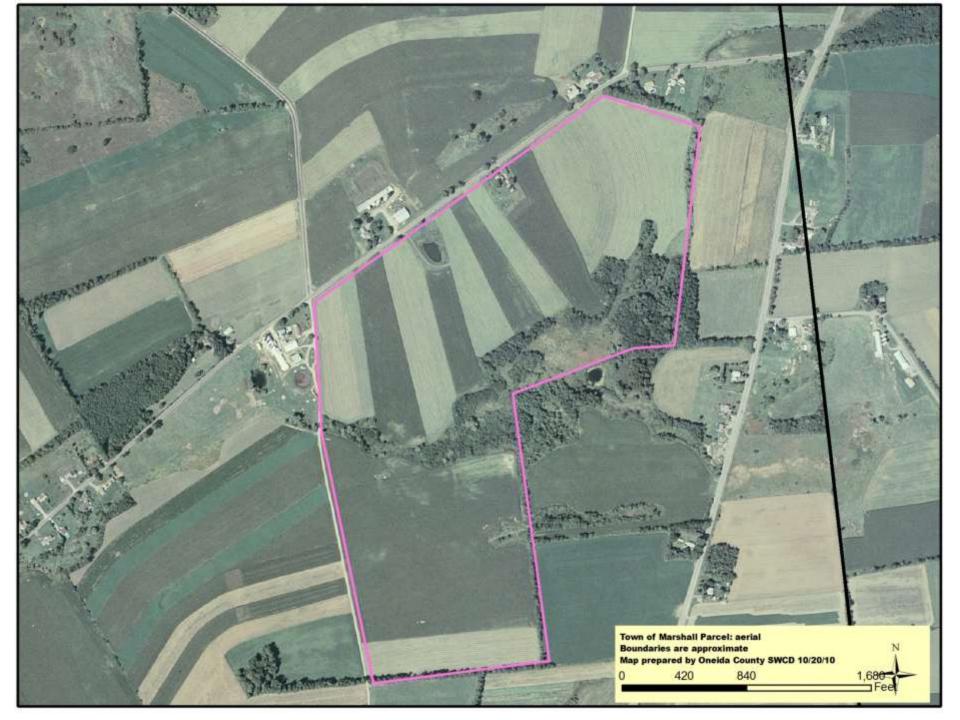




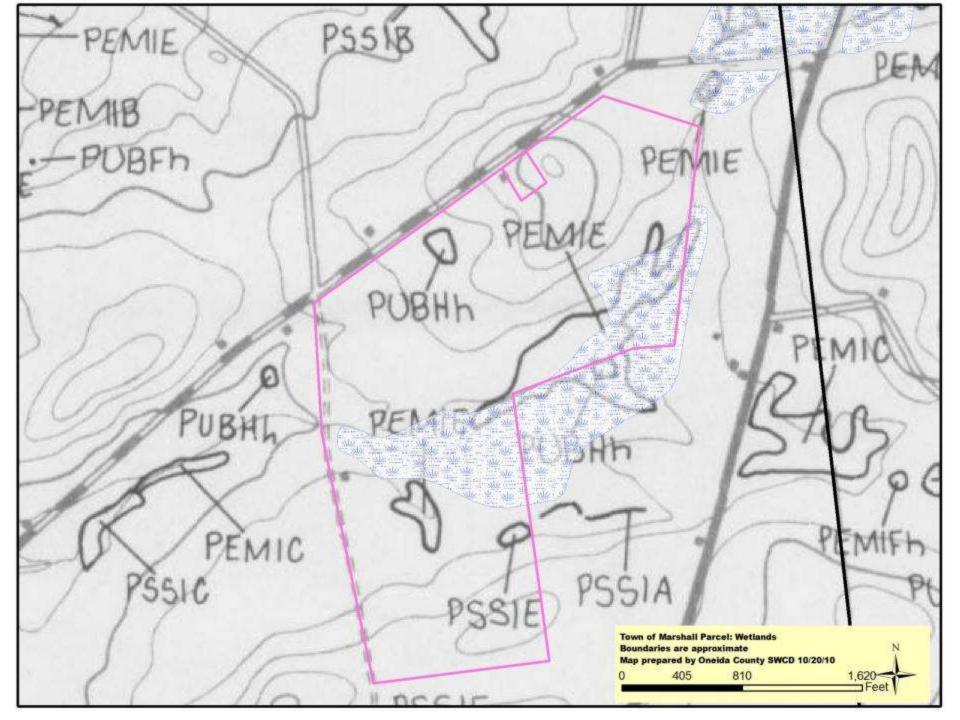


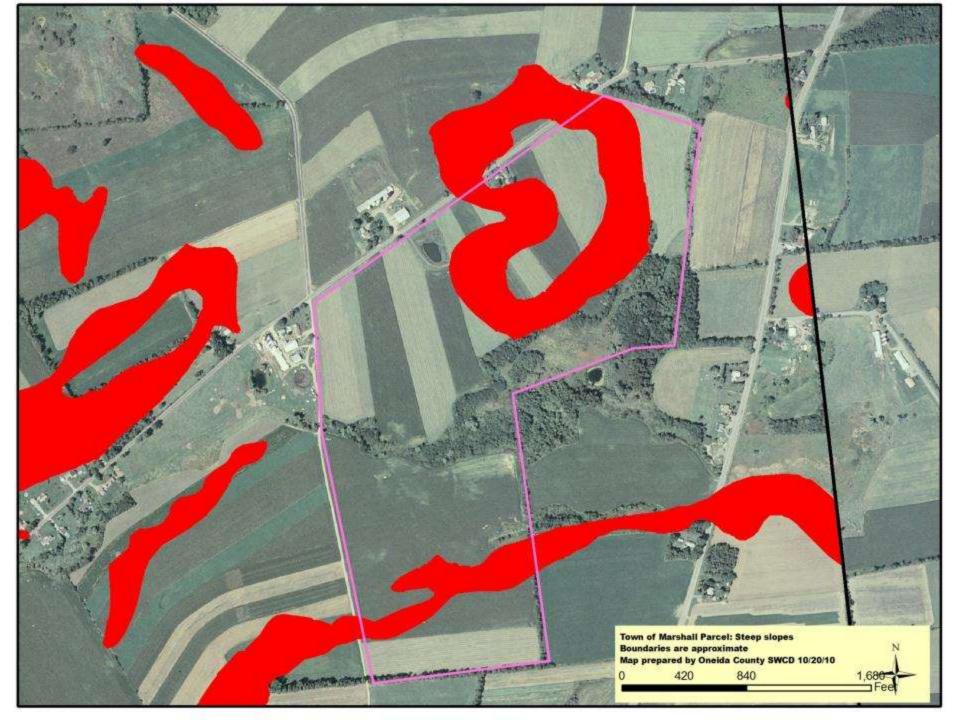


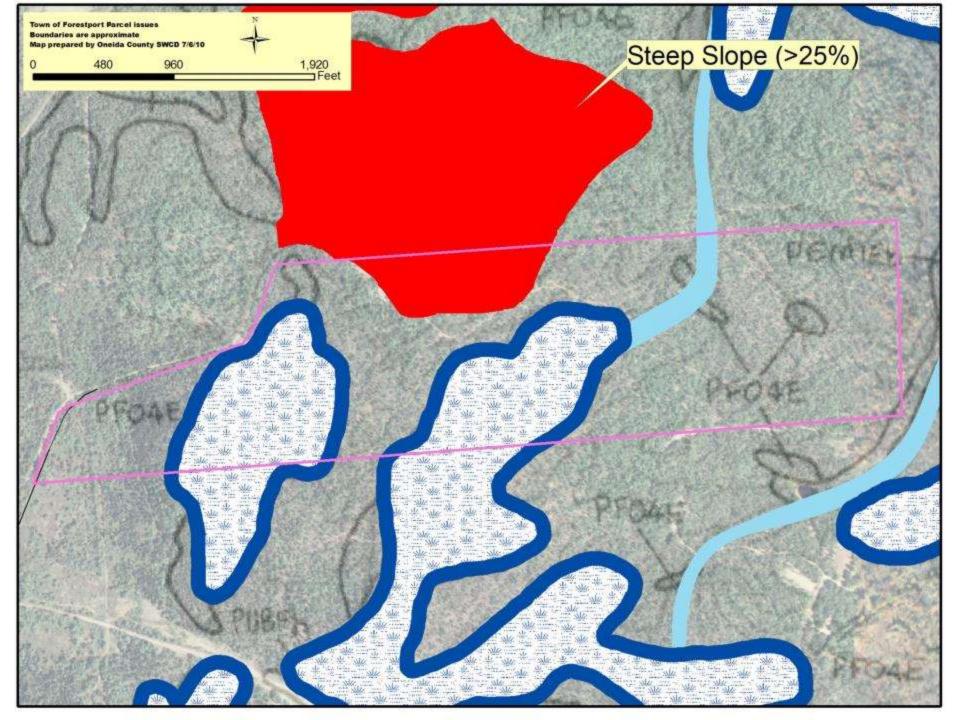




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Construction Activities Permit Requirements:

Since 2003, if a project will disturb ≥ 1 acre of soil either all at once or over a period of time.

If clearcutting in anticipation of development, it's not silviculture so it needs a permit.

Developer responsible for Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan: Erosion and Sediment Control Plan during construction. Long term stormwater management plan depending on the type of project.

Regulated by DEC.

Doesn't exempt developers from other permits: SEQR Wetlands Streams

Existing Laws and Programs (Some)

The US Army Corps of Engineers & NYSDEC may require a permit for stream and/or wetland crossings

 The NY DEC requires minimum residual stand densities (basal area) for timber harvesting in wetlands, Prohibits forest management roads within 150 feet of designated State Wild, Scenic or Recreation Rivers.

FROM: http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/lands_forests_pdf/guidetoforestry.pdf A Municipal Official's Guide to Forestry in NYS **Summary: Development Considerations** Drainage Flooding Slope **Contiguous Land Uses Permits** SEQR **Construction Activity** Assistance Oneida County SWCD 736-3334 **Oneida County Planning 798-5710** NYS DEC 793-2554 **Tug Hill Commission** NOCCOG APA **Municipal Nonpoint Assessment Charts**