

MUNICIPAL ANNEX | Town of Otisco





2,541



Total Land (square miles)

31.1



Total Number of Buildings

2,567

Percent of Buildings in Regulatory Floodplain

<1%



Number of National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Policies and Percent in Regulatory Floodplain

4 (%)

Number of Repetitive Loss (RL) Properties

0



Total Agricultural Land (acres)

8,943.9



Harmful Algal Bloom Impacted Waterbody

Yes



Proposed Project Types Not participating



Not participating



9.26 TOWN OF OTISCO

NOT PARTICIPATING

9.26.1 Municipal Profile

The Town of Otisco is located in the southwestern part of the Town of Otisco in Onondaga County in western New York State. The Town of Otisco has a total area of 31.2 square miles. Amber Brook flows into Otisco Lake by the hamlet of Amber. Bear Mountain in the northeast of the Town is known for blue hole, a water hole on the mountain known for swift currents and waterfalls. New York State Route 80 is a north-south highway in the town. A short part of US Route 20 crosses the northeast corner of the Town. The Town of Otisco is bordered to the north by the Towns of Marcellus and Onondaga, to the south by the Town of Tully, to the east by the Town of Lafayette, and to the west by the Town of Sanford.

There are several communities located within the town: Amber (hamlet), Bay Shores (hamlet), Gamble Mill (hamlet), Maple Grove (hamlet), Otisco, Otisco Valley, Rice Grove, and Williams Grove. The estimated 2016 population was 2,554, which is a 0.5 percent increase in population from 2010 (2,541 persons).

Data from the 2016 U.S. Census American Community Survey estimates that 5.0 percent of the town population is five years of age or younger, and 14.6 percent is 65 years of age or older. Communities must deploy a support system that enables all populations to safely reach shelters or to quickly evacuate a hazard area.

History and Cultural Resources

The area became part of the former Military Tract of Central New York State which consisted of nearly 2 million acres of land that was set aside to compensate New York's soldiers after their participation in the Revolutionary War (American War of Independence). The Town was first settled by outsiders around 1798, and permanent settlement began around 1801. The Town of Otisco was formed in 1806 from parts of the towns of Marcellus, Pompey and Tully.

9.26.2 Hazard Area Extent and Location

Hazard area extent and location maps have been generated for the Town of Otisco that illustrate the probable areas impacted within the municipality. These maps are based on the best available data at the time of the preparation of this plan, and are considered to be adequate for planning purposes. Maps have only been generated for those hazards that can be clearly identified using mapping techniques and technologies, and for which the Town of Otisco has significant exposure. A map of the Town of Otisco hazard area extent and location is provided on the following page. This map indicates the location of the regulatory floodplain as well as identified critical facilities within the municipality.



Figure 9.26-1. Town of Otisco Hazard Area Extent and Location Map

