



June 19, 2018 - RACOG Report

Railroad Bed Update – Ronald Trottier will be speaking at the board meeting on June 19th, 2018.

Black River Mapping – Seth, Kelsey, and I did some river mapping to test out the process of using a Bluetooth depth finder with a Bluetooth GPS receiver. We mapped out from Lowville to Castorland, which is a 11.9 mile stretch. There were 13 hazards mapped out and over 10,000 depth finder points taken. The next stretch will be from Castorland to Carthage. A meeting will be put together for interested parties relating to the river in the next couple of weeks.

Community Resource Map – Kelsey Hurley from Monroe Community College presented at the last board meeting. Moving forward, we will want to look at how new resources are added. This could be done by each municipality individually. The community resource map can be found at www.racog.org and it is also incorporated into the Tug Hill Commission's map portal at www.tughill.giscloud.com

NY Alerts Update – The new system went live last week and they are working through some going live issues, but they will be contacting the RACOG communities soon to start working on getting them into the alert system.

Website – Wilna-Champion Transportation Association now has a page on the RACOG website. Brian Phelps is working on some programming to make things easier for those communities going through RACOG for their websites, to be able to update calendars and staff directories. He is also working on a script that could be used to mine old agendas and minutes from previous sites, to convert them automatically to PDF format.

Internships – Seth Lapp has worked with the town of Wilna in mapping out their culverts, worked with the village of Deferiet mapping out water infrastructure, did some community resource mapping, mapped out hazards on a section of the Black River, and provided some training to the Carthage DPW. He will be mapping out the water transmission line for the villages of West Carthage and Carthage that runs out to the reservoir. The Tug Hill Commission will have another intern starting on July 2nd to assist with comprehensive planning.

LED Lighting – Looking to have Troy & Banks present at the September 2018 RACOG board meeting.

CCA (Community Choice Aggregation) – NYSERDA information on what is a CCA can be found on their website: <https://www.nyserda.ny.gov/All-Programs/Programs/Clean-Energy-Communities/Clean-Energy-Communities-Program-High-Impact-Action-Toolkits/Community-Choice-Aggregation> . There are a couple of

Summer Initiatives – As summer approaches, the board may want to look at what projects or initiatives you would like me to be working on. We won't be meeting during July and August.