

Tompkins County Conservation Funds Support the Town of Dryden in their Acquisition of Fall Creek Parcel

At their December 1 meeting, the Tompkins County Legislature approved the use of two different County conservation funds to help the Town of Dryden purchase a 15-acre parcel on Fall Creek along Pinckney Road. The acquisition secures critical open space lands within identified Natural Resource Focus Areas and over 1,100 feet of Fall Creek streambank while providing expanded opportunities for outdoor recreation, education, and research. \$15,000 in County funds will support the Town's acquisition of the 15-acre parcel for \$62,700. This parcel sits just across Fall Creek from the Town's Campbell Meadows parcel on which the Finger Lakes Land Trust holds a deed restriction. Together these parcels will protect several thousand feet of streambank. The parcel is also adjacent to Cornell Natural Area lands and its southern boundary is an abandoned railway grade which has been identified by the Town of Dryden as a future trail corridor. The project will utilize \$6,500 from the *Tompkins County Capital Reserve Fund for Natural, Scenic, and Recreation Resource Protection* whose purpose is to support participation by Tompkins County in partnerships with other level of government and private organizations to protect important local resources. An added \$8,500 in program funds from the *Tompkins County Stream Restoration & Flood Hazard Mitigation Program* will also be utilized to meet the Town's \$15,000 request and further ensure stream and floodplain buffer protections are secured.

See next page for a map of the property.

Property of Jean Hoag and Stephen Harvey
 Parcel # 44.-1-2.323, 14.97 acres
 Pinckney Rd, Town of Dryden, Tompkins County, NY
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