

Essex County, NY
Town of Jay
Long Term Community Recovery Strategy
Request for Proposals
4/29/15

ADDENDUM
(May 22, 2015)

The scope-of-work for the **Town of Jay Long Term Community Recovery Strategy** Request for Proposals, distributed on 4/29/15, has been modified to include the Town of Keene. The project is now the **Towns of Jay and Keene Long Term Community Recovery Strategy**.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Essex County Towns of Jay and Keene, in partnership with Essex County, wish to retain the services of a professional planning consultant to develop a Long-Term Community Recovery (LTCR) Strategy for both communities that focuses on projects and actions to rebuild and revitalize downtown businesses, homes, and infrastructure in order to ensure long-term economic vitality and quality of life while reducing risks to life and property from future flood events. The strategy will be developed through a public process designed to help local officials and citizens better understand pre-disaster conditions, post-disaster needs, and flood mitigation opportunities. The strategy will include prioritized projects and actions that reduce future flood risks and ensure long term growth and sustainability.

Specific areas of focus may include:

- Assessment of impacted businesses;
- Evaluation of flood hazards and flood vulnerability;
- Recommendations for compatible uses in high risk areas;
- Assessment of potential projects to mitigate and reduce the risk of future flood damage;
- Promoting recovery of downtown commercial and residential districts in the hamlets of Ausable Forks, Keene and Keene Valley;
- An assessment of reuse alternatives for downtown anchor buildings, including structural rehabilitation, business plan development and market analysis;
- Recommendations for infrastructure repair, redevelopment and/or relocation in the hamlets of Ausable Forks, Keene and Keene Valley;
- Development of evacuation and communication plans

The strategy will also form the basis for identifying federal, state, local, nonprofit and private sector resources for recovery and redevelopment.

The development of the strategy will be coordinated with long term community recovery efforts underway in the Towns of Jay and Keene, as well as the ongoing efforts to develop a *Comprehensive Intermunicipal Watershed Management Plan for the Ausable River* which is being coordinated by the Ausable River Association.

The deadline for receipt of proposals has been extended to **June 12, 2015**.

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