

Jurisdictional Annex XVI

Town of New Baltimore

Town Profile

The Town of New Baltimore is located in the northeast corner of Greene County along the Hudson River. It is bordered by Albany and Columbia Counties. I-87 and US 9W pass through the Town. See Table XVI-1.

History: The Town of New Baltimore dates back to 1713. The Town of New Baltimore was incorporated on March 15, 1811, from parts of the Town of Coxsackie. Prior to its incorporation, the Town had thriving mills and farms. Farming grew and continued through the years and still continues on a smaller scale today.

Form of Government: The Town of New Baltimore consists of an elected Board composed of four council members and as well as the Town Supervisor. The Town Board sets policy, approves the budget, adopts local laws, implements policies, and administrates local affairs.

Growth and Development Trends: The Town's 2007 *Comprehensive Plan* encourages the majority of the Town of New Baltimore to be low-density residential and agricultural uses with higher residential densities in Planned Unit Development and within the Hamlet of New Baltimore. Conservation subdivisions are required for major subdivisions in the Rural Residential/Agricultural District. The Town encourages commercial and mixed use growth along Route 9W with a development area encouraged near the I-87 and Route 9W corridor where existing development has taken place.

U.S. Census statistics show the Town shrank from 3,417 to 3,370 people between 2000 and 2010 (see Table XVI-1), while the number of housing units increased from 1,406 to 1,508.

Recent Hazard Events

The estimated dollar damage over the past 5 years from Hurricane Irene and Superstorm Sandy is about \$125,000.

Summary of Vulnerabilities

The Town of New Baltimore is one of Greene County's Towns. Areas in the Town that are subject to flooding are Mill Street, in the area of the waste water pump station, and other low lying areas in the Hamlet of New

Baltimore, which lies on the banks of the Hudson River. Table XVI-2 details the number of parcels that are located in or touch the floodway, 100-year floodplain, or 500-year floodplain.

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**Table XVI-1:
Town of New Baltimore Statistics**

2010 Population	Total Land Area	Land/Water Area
3,370	43.03 sq. mi.	41.43/1.60 sq. mi.

**Table XV-2: Number of Parcels
in Flood Hazard Areas, Town of New Baltimore**

Floodway	100-Year Floodplain	500-Year Floodplain
2	310	310

Source: 2015 FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map

As seen in Figure XVI-1, the Town’s wastewater treatment plant is located in the floodplain. There are no repetitive loss properties in the Town.

Capability Assessment

Each municipality analyzed four capability assessment areas that are relevant for reducing long-term vulnerabilities through mitigation planning. These four areas include: Planning (legal) and Regulatory, Administrative and Technical, Financial, and Education and Outreach. Changes that have occurred since the 2009 *Greene County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazard Mitigation Plan*¹ (HMP) are described below.

Planning (legal) and Regulatory: The Town is currently updating its *Comprehensive Plan*. Its *Emergency Response Plan* is reevaluated on an annual basis. The Town has a number of relevant documents and ordinances, as listed in the “Relevant Documents and Ordinances” text box.

Administrative and Technical: The Town has an Emergency Management Officer, a Town Clerk, two Deputy Clerks, an Assessor and Assessor’s Office, a Highway Department, and a Building Department. Highway personnel have undergone disaster preparedness training and are familiar with floodprone areas. The Emergency Management Officer has training in benefit-cost analysis.

Financial: There have not been any identifiable or confirmable changes in locally-based financial capabilities for reducing long-term vulnerability since the 2009 HMP.

Education and Outreach: There have not been any identifiable or confirmable changes for reducing long-term vulnerability since the 2009 HMP.

Relevant Documents and Ordinances

- ✓ *Comprehensive Plan* (2007)
- ✓ Building Code
- ✓ Zoning Ordinance (2009)
- ✓ Site Plan Review
- ✓ Subdivision Ordinance (2008)
- ✓ Emergency Response Plan
- ✓ NFIP Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance

¹ <http://greenegovernment.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/HMP.pdf>

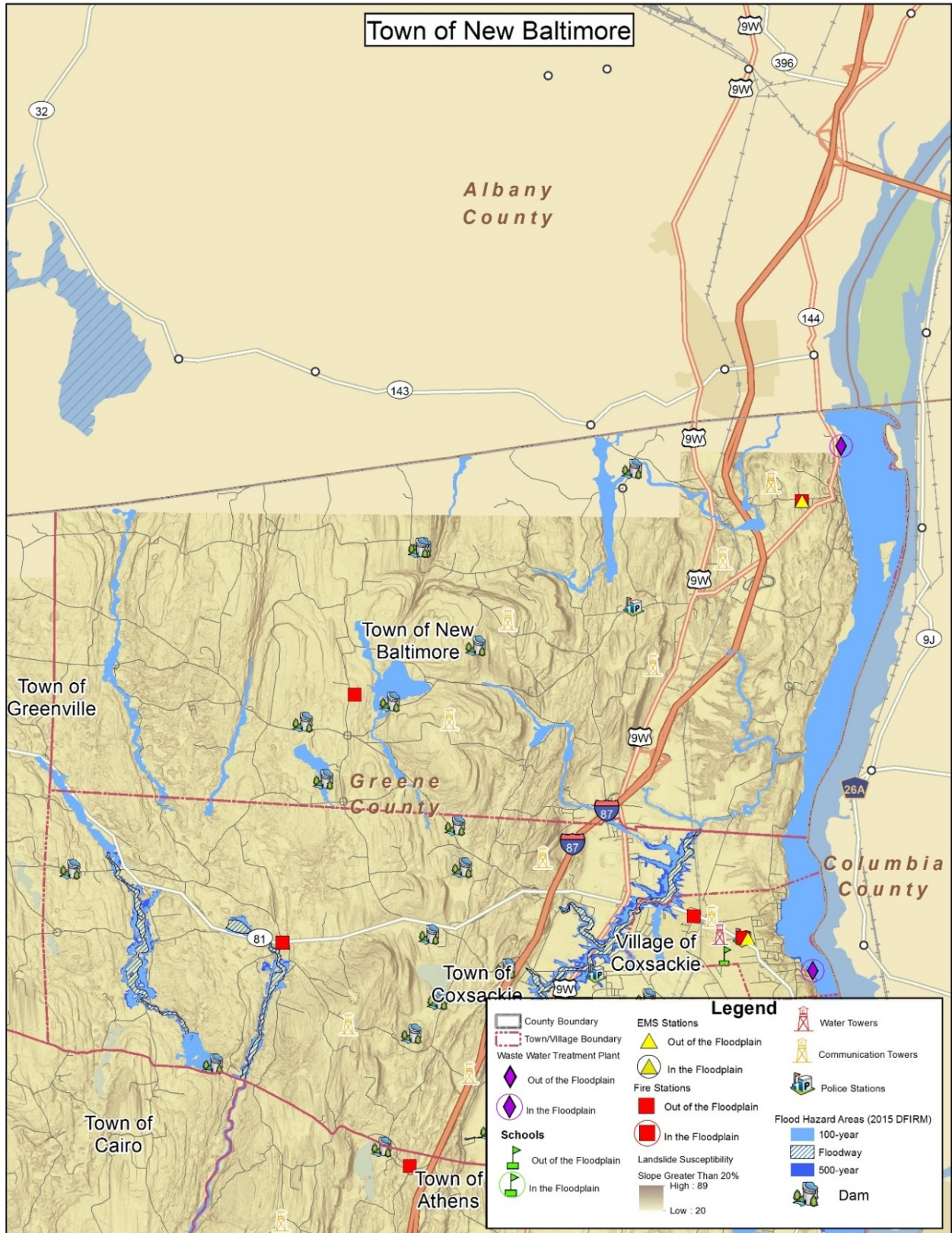


Figure XVI-1: Town of New Baltimore Hazard Area Map

Mitigation Strategies

Hazard Mitigation Actions Completed or in Progress: The Town of New Baltimore has completed its previous mitigation projects and is currently working on updating its Comprehensive Plan

Table XVI-3: Summary of Mitigation Actions, Town of New Baltimore

Mitigation Action	Project Status
Mitigation in Floodprone Areas	Complete and Ongoing
Comprehensive Plan Update	In Progress

Proposed Hazard Mitigation Actions: In addition to the Greene County actions discussed in this Plan, the Town of New Baltimore has considered its individual needs related to risk and vulnerability and is pursuing or proposing the following hazard mitigation actions:

- (T)NWB-1: Staff Training – Train all staff including code enforcement and building department regarding hazard mitigation.
- (T)NWB-2: Madison Avenue East Drainage System – Replace faulty drainage system on Madison Avenue East with a larger, more effective system.
- (T)NWB-3: Concrete Flood Wall at Waste Water Pump Station – Install a concrete flood wall at the waste water pump station to reduce the chances of it being flooded.
- (T)NWB-4: Medway Grapeville Fire Station Backup Power – Replace emergency standby generator as the current one is unrepairable due to its age.
- (T)NWB-5: Replacement of Wastewater Treatment Plant – Replace the current wastewater treatment plant.

The Town will also participate in the action identified for all municipalities to integrate this plan's actions with existing planning, consider hazards in future development decisions, focus on mitigation of repetitive loss properties, and attempt 500-year level protection for critical facilities.

Details about each proposed hazard mitigation actions can be found in the individual Action Worksheets.