

# Village of Dolgeville Engineer's Monthly Update

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## Active Projects

### **Water Treatment Plant Operations**

- Continued work with the treatment plant operator on addressing turbidity issues. Preparations are underway for cleaning and backwashing a filter bed later this month. Plans include additional sand sampling to compare hydraulic loading impacts across different beds.

### **Main Street Sewer Project**

- A significant amount of time was spent reviewing bid tabulations and addressing errors from the apparent low bidder, Jablonski Excavating. After extensive discussions, Jablonski Excavating withdrew their bid.

### **Center Park Rehabilitation Project**

- Submitted a grant extension request to NYS Parks for the Center Park Rehabilitation project, proposing a new completion timeline through December 2026. This includes updated milestones for construction and rebidding, allowing the Village to utilize NY Forward grant funds to supplement this project.

### **NY Forward Small Project Fund**

- Assisted the village in preparing grant documents and required forms for submission to NYS Homes and Community Renewal.

### **Quarterly NYSDOT Meeting: Main Street Sewer / Beaver Brook Culvert / Route 29 Bridge Replacement**

- Attended a meeting with NYSDOT and the Village of Dolgeville to review ongoing projects and future collaboration opportunities. Meeting notes are available as an attachment to this report for further details.

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## General

- EPA Lead and Copper Rule Projects
- Brownfields Opportunity Area Project w/ IDA

## DPW Project List

- Repair / replacement of 4 major creek culverts throughout Village
- Vehicle acquisition / replacement planning
- Co-funding sources for Main Street Paving / ADA Compliance Project
- DPW Garage Construction Grants (CHIPS?)
- Greenway Extension Grants (Main Street to Gehring Tricot)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Drainage Improvements (*on hold*)
- Van Buren Street Erosion / Streambank Protection
- Water Transmission Main Clearing (*on hold*)

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## WTP / Water Distribution System Project List

- Siding Repairs at Rear of WTP
- Water Transmission Main Mapping (after water service data collection, before access road clearing)
- Preliminary Engineering Report for System {needed for future grant applications}

## WWTP / Collection System Project List

- Phosphorous Removal Limits Changing, 1.0 (EPG)
- Incorporate Video/Condition Assessment Into GIS / HOCCPP System
- WWTP Study / Proposed Upgrades for IDA Project

## Creeks and Flood Prevention

- East Canada Creek Sediment / Hydraulics; Dam Removal
- Van Buren Street Ice Jam / Flooding; ACOE Design and Permitting
- New FEMA Flood Maps (*in process*)
- ACOE East Canada Creek – Erosion and WWTP Protection (*on hold, waiting for NYSDEC*)

## Meeting Summary: January 14, 2025, NYSDOT Meeting

**Date and Time:** January 14, 2025, 10:00 AM

**Location:** Village of Dolgeville

**Participants:** Representatives from NYSDOT, Village of Dolgeville, and B&L Engineers

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### Discussion Topics

#### Beaver Brook Culvert Project (NYSDOT)

- **Final Design:** Completed; contract advertisement scheduled for February 26, 2025.
- **Bid Opening:** Set for March 27, 2025.
- **Temporary Easement:** Delayed due to pending acquisition from the post office; expected completion by June 1, 2025.
- **Construction Restrictions:**
  - Start date restricted to post-second weekend of June 2025 to minimize disruption during village events.
  - Main Street detour limited to 35 days.
  - Total construction duration set at 90 days, with a 2025 completion deadline.
- **Coordination:** Efforts to align with the Main Street Sewer Project to minimize public disruption.
- **Public Information Session:** Planned for late February 2025.

#### Route 29 Bridge Project (NYSDOT)

- **Design Progress:** Moving towards final design with FHWA approval pending.
- **Environmental Justice Concerns:**
  - Area demographics indicate a higher-than-average Hispanic/Latino population within 1/10 mile radius of the project.
  - NYSDOT must develop an environmental justice engagement plan as a result.
- **Public Engagement:**
  - Combining the public hearing for the bridge project with the Beaver Creek Culvert public information session.
- **Permitting:** Additional floodplain permits required due to new structures in FEMA floodplain areas.
- **Sewer Force Main Coordination:** NYSDOT plans to install the sewer force main on the bridge for future Village use.
- **Construction Schedule:**
  - Contract letting: June 2026.
  - Phase 1 Construction / Site Preparation and Earthwork: Fall 2026.
  - Bridge Superstructure Construction: Spring 2027.

#### Main Street Sewer Project

- **Award and Contracts:** Notice of award delivered to Carver Construction, Inc., who has two weeks to return signed contracts to the Village.
- **Preconstruction Meeting:**
  - Scheduled for mid-February 2025.
  - NYSDOT requested to be included.
- **Public Meeting:** Following the preconstruction meeting, a session will be held for residents and businesses to discuss project impacts.
- **Scheduling Coordination:**
  - NYSDOT will adjust the Beaver Brook Culvert Project schedule to accommodate the Violet Festival's relocation.
  - Collaboration between projects to minimize disruptions.