

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
COUNTY OF ORANGE**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that, pursuant to Resolution No. 165 of 2018, the Orange County Legislature will meet on Thursday September 6, 2018 at 6:45 p.m., at the Orange County Government Center, Legislative Chambers, 3rd floor, at 255 Main Street, Goshen, New York 10924 to hold a public hearing to receive public comment on the expenditures of county taxation funds for the 2018 flood control maintenance project (the "Project) of portions of the Quaker Creek located in the Towns of Goshen, Wawayanda and Warwick by reducing the appropriated amount of \$100,000 for such purposes and re-allocating the remaining funding for the Walkkill River Flood Control Bench Project; and

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the Orange County Legislature has previously appropriated \$100,000 from its 2018 contingency to pay for the costs of a flood control maintenance program of Quaker Creek, located in the Towns of Goshen, Wawayanda, and Warwick; and

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the Orange County Soil and Water Conservation District has been able to successfully negotiate a price for the work associated therewith down to a lesser amount but wishes to re-allocate the remaining amount from the previously appropriated \$100,000 to fulfill costs in relation to the Walkkill River Flood Control Bench project (in the Towns of Wawayanda, Minisink, and Warwick), which was otherwise largely financed through State grant funding;

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that pursuant County Law Section 223, this Legislature finds that the work contemplated herein will relieve water flows, soil erosion, and flood damage to farmlands, private property, and public lands. The projects contemplated herein are of sufficient importance and serve a general public benefit to warrant the expenditure of county funds; and

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that all prior findings of Legislative Resolution 50 of 2018, adopted on March 1, 2018, except the project \$100,000 project cost for the Quaker Creek project remain in effect; and

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that pursuant to County Law Section 223, the County determines a new public hearing is required to re-allocate the remaining dollars (remaining after the Quaker Creek project is paid) to pay costs associated with the Walkkill River Flood Control Bench Project. Such public hearing will also serve as authorization for the future allocation of county funds for flood control purposes for the Orange County Soil and Water Conservation District (subject to future appropriations) pursuant to Section 223(2) (second paragraph) of the County Law; and

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that related documents to both the Quaker Creek and Walkkill River Flood Bench project are on file at the office of the Soil and Water Conservation District's Executive Director at 225 Dolson Avenue, Suite 103, Middletown, New York 10940.

BY ORDER OF THE ORANGE COUNTY LEGISLATURE


Jean M. Ramppen, Clerk

**DATED: August 3, 2018
Goshen, New York**