

Dated: February 22nd, 2022 BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD MEETING- Meeting of the Beekman Town Board was called to order at 7:00PM with Supervisor Mary Covucci presiding, all in favor AYE. The Meeting was held at the Beekman Recreation Community Center. THOSE PRESENT: SUPERVISOR MARY COVUCCI, COUNCILWOMAN SHARON WOHRMAN, COUNCILMAN WERNER STIEGLER, COUNCILMAN EZIO BATTAGLINI. Supervisor Mary Covucci began the Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence in Honor of our troops who have served and those currently serving. Supervisor Covucci pointed out the Emergency Exits.

Supervisor Comments: SUPERVISOR COVUCCI, went over the AGENDA items for this evening.

Written Comments: None

Public Comments on Agenda Items: Leonard Jerram, 112 Beyer Drive, regarding Resolution #10, Labor Relations Attorney, questioned why the Town needs to hire an additional Attorney but mainly why the cost is not on the Resolution. Supervisor Covucci, the hourly rate is \$240.00 for the Attorney and \$135.00 for the Paralegal.

Public Comments: Bill Crain, 254 Gardner Hollow Road, presented data (see attached) on the Study of Road Salt Contamination.

General Board Comments: Supervisor Covucci, regarding mask mandates. I have decided to continue to wear masks during these meetings until toddlers, 2 year olds who are in Child Care can also enjoy the freedoms of interacting with friends and teachers just as those adults have been allowed to do. They have been living with this Pandemic from 2020-2022 they went through most of the pandemic without a mask up until recently. I support the parents making choices for their children and not Government Agencies or the CDC. I strongly feel that NYS and the CDC should re-evaluate their decision and have parents make the choice as to whether or not they want their children to wear a mask going forward.

SUPERVISOR COVUCCI MADE A MOTION to close the Town Board meeting AT 7:25PM, Seconded by COUNCILMAN STIEGLER All in Favor, AYE. **RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED by Town Clerk Laureen Abbatantuono March 4th, 2022.**

*Laureen Abbatantuono*  
march 4, 2022

**BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD  
TOWN BOARD MEETING AGENDA  
FEBRUARY 22, 2022**

**7:00 PM**

- Meeting called to order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Administrative Announcement--Fire Exits

**TOWN BOARD MEETING**

- Supervisor Comments
- Public comment on Agenda Items and Resolutions

**RESOLUTIONS**

1. Approval of February 8, 2022 Minutes
  2. Approve Town of Beekman Budget Revision 2021 #12
  3. Approve Training for Town Bookkeeper
  4. Approve Entertainment for the Senior St. Patrick's Day Celebration
  5. Approving Agreement for the Expenditure of Highway Monies
  6. Approve Lifeguard Training
  7. Approve Senior Bus Trip to Silver Birches
  8. Authorizing Settlement of Tax Certiorari
  9. Appointment to fill Town Board Vacancy
  10. Employ Labor Relations Counsel
  11. Payment of Claims
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- Other Town Board Business
  - General Board Comments
  - **Next Regular Town Board Meeting: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 7:00 PM**

**\*AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

**RESOLUTIONS MAY NOT  
HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE AT TIME OF  
PUBLICATION**

**RESOLUTION 02:22:22 - 1**  
**RE: APPROVAL OF PAST TOWN BOARD MINUTES**

**WHEREAS**, Town Clerk Lauren Abbatantuono has provided copies of the minutes of the February 8, 2022 Town Board Meeting to all members of the Beekman Town Board; and

**WHEREAS**, Town Board members have had the opportunity to review said minutes;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby adopts the minutes of the February 8, 2022 Town Board Meeting.

**Introduced: COUNCILMAN STIEGLER**

**Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Wohrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

**Dated: February 22, 2022**

**RESOLUTION 02:22:22 -2**

**RE: APPROVE TOWN OF BEEKMAN BUDGET REVISIONS #2021-12**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Beekman's Accounting Office recommends certain budget revisions based on department requests and/or the Accounting Office review and analysis of expenditures or revenues

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the following itemized revisions are approved by the Town of Beekman Town Board identified as Budget Revision Number 2021-12

**Budget Revisions for Year End 2021 # 2021-12**

<u>Revision #</u>	<u>Account #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
<b>General Fund</b>				
2021-12-01	A-1110-0107	Court STAFF Other Comp	3,700	
	A-1220-0101	Supervisor STAFF Comp. -Transfer for Labor Payouts		3,700
2021-12-02	A-1315-0101	Finance Bookkeeper Comp.	4,465	
	A-1315-0107	Finance STAFF Other Comp.	1,300	
	A-1315-0112	Finance Part Time STAFF Comp.	1,535	
	A-1220-0101	Supervisor STAFF Comp. -Transfer for Finance Dept. Labor		7,300
2021-12-03	A-1420-0400	Town Legal Counsel	13,000	
	A-1420-0440	Legal Expense Highway	2,000	
	A- 1220-0101	Supervisor STAFF Comp.		10,000
	A-1990-0400	Contingent Account -Transfer for Legal Dept. Expense		5,000
2021-12-04	A-1680-0200	EDP Equipment	2,000	
	A-1680-0400	EDP Expense -Transfer for EDP Equipment		2,000
2021-12-05	A-3620-0107	Safety Other Labor Comp.	700	
	A-3620-0112	Safety P.T. STAFF Comp.	300	
	A-3620-0400	Codes Expense -Transfer for STAFF Comp		1,000

2021-12-06	A-5010-0107	Hwy Supt Vehicle Stipend	27	
	A-5010-0414	Hwy Supt Phone	73	
	A-5010-0400	Hwy Supt Expense		100
		-Transfer Cell Phone + Stipend		
2021-12-07	A-5132-0409	Hwy Garage Heat	3,000	
	A-5132-0411	Hwy Garage Telephone	20	
	A-5132-0417	Hwy Garage Supplies	480	
	A-5132-0418	Hwy Garage Repairs	1,500	
	A-5132-0430	Hwy Garage Refuse	1,000	
	A-6772-0112	Aging Program STAFF Comp.		6,000
		-Transfer for Garage Expenses		
2021-12-08	A-5182-0400	Street Lighting Expense	500	
	A-6772-0401	Aging Program Supplies		500
		-Transfer for Street Lighting		
2021-12-09	A-7020-0107	Rec Office Other Labor Com.	236	
	A-7020-0401	Rec Office Supplies		236
		-Transfer for Other Labor Payouts		
2021-12-10	A-7110-0107	Parks Other Labor Comp.	11,000	
	A-6772-0414	Aging Program Trips.		11,000
		-Transfer for Labor Payouts		
2021-12-11	A-7110-0401	Parks Supplies	300	
	A-7110-0430	Parks Gasoline	3,700	
	A-7111-0200	Rec Center Improvements		4,000
		-Transfer for General Parks Exp.		
2021-12-12	A-7111-0400	Rec Center Park Expense	1,500	
	A-7111-0420	Rec Center Park Utilities	4,600	
	A-7111-0430	Rec Center Park Refuse Removal	50	
	A-7111-0460	Rec Center Park Rentals	40	
	A-7112-0460	Town Center Rentals	450	
	A-7113-0460	Doherty Park Rentals	220	
	A-7114-0400	Beyer Park Expense	140	
	A-7140-0116	Playground Seasonal Staff		7,000
		-Transfer for Parks Expenses		
2021-12-13	A-7116-0400	Other Parks Expense	21,000	
	A-7180-0116	Lake Seasonal Labor		21,000
		*-Funds for Memorial Park Project		

2021-12-14	A-7180-0420	Lake Utilities	500	
	A-8010-0450	Zoning Meeting Expense	500	
	A-8160-0400	Refuse Expense		1,000
		-Transfer for Various Expenses		

2021-12-15	A-9950-0900	Transfer to Capital Fund	100,000	
	A-9901-0900	Transfer to Funds		100,000
		-Reclass transfer for Park Project		

**Highway Fund**

2021-12-16	DA-5110-0118	General Staff GHI Buyout	114	
	DA-5110-0400	General Repairs Expense	700	
	DA-5110-0402	General Signs Expense	1,934	
	DA-5110-0415	General Grates Expense	6,252	
	DA-5110-0401	General Gasoline Expense		9,000
		-Transfer for General Repair Expenses		

2021-12-17	DA-5130-0100	Machinery Labor Comp.	2,629	
	DA-5130-0200	Machinery Equipment	1,371	
	DA-5110-0107	General Other Labor		4,000
		-Transfer for Machinery Expenses		

2021-12-18	DA-5142-0400	Snow Misc. Expense	100	
	DA-5142-0402	Snow Removal Food		100
		-Transfer for Misc. Expense		

2021-12-19	DA-9950-0900	Transfer to Capital Fund	26,000	
	DA-9060-0800	Health Insurance Premiums		26,000
		-Transfer for Equipment Project		

2021-12-20	DA-9950-0900	Transfer to Capital Fund	50,000	
	DA-9901-0900	Transfer to Funds		50,000
		-Reclass Transfer to Capital Fund		

**Special Districts**

2021-12-21	SS-8189-0400	Sewer Repairs	12,402	
	SS-8189-0450	Contract O+M	801	
	SS-0000-9910	Fund Balance	13,000	
	SS-8189-0440	Engineering Expense		203
		-Funding for Repairs, etc.		

2021-12-22	SW-8340-0450	Contract O+M	213	
	SW-8340-0480	Other Expense		213
		-Transfer for Contract Expense		

**Capital Fund**

2021-12-23	H-5120-0401	Gardner Hollow Expense	3,417	
	H-5120-0444	Gardner Hollow Engineering -Transfer for Expenses		3,417
2021-12-24	H-5130-0200	Highway Equipment	26,000	
	H-0000-5031	Transfer In Highway Fund -More Funding for Machinery Purchases	26,000	
2021-12-25	H-5130-0480	Other Expense	723	
	H-5130-0200	Highway Equipment -Transfer for other Expenses		723
2021-12-26	H-8340-0480	DRWD Other Expense	8,722	
	H-8340-0440	DRWD Engineering -Transfer for Other Expense		8,722

**Introduced: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI**

**Seconded: COUNCILMAN STIEGLER**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Stiegler       **AYE**  
Councilman Battaglini      **AYE**  
Councilwoman Wohrman   **AYE**  
Supervisor Covucci       **AYE**

**Dated: February 22, 2022**

**RESOLUTION NO. 02:22:22 – 3**  
**RE: APPROVE TRAINING FOR TOWN BOOKKEEPER**

**WHEREAS**, the New York Government Finance Officers' Association (NYGFOA) is holding it's 2022 Professional Development Sessions in Albany New York; and

**WHEREAS**, the Accounting and Financial Reporting Training scheduled for April 4-6, 2022 would be beneficial for our Town Bookkeeper in the Finance Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds are available for this course;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that Linda Bloomer is hereby authorized to attend said session with a cost not to exceed \$250.00, including mileage and tolls.

**Introduced: SUPERVISOR COVUCCI**

**Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Wohrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

**Dated: February 22, 2022**

**RESOLUTION NO. 02:22:22 - 4**

**RE: APPROVE ENTERTAINMENT FOR SENIOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Senior Center has a St. Patrick's Day Celebration scheduled for Thursday, March 17, 2022 from the hours of 11 am to 2 pm, at the Beekman Community Center; and

**WHEREAS**, the costs of the food will be covered by the per person fee collected for the party,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the following expenditure for entertainment be authorized, John Harrah's Mobile Music Services for an amount not to exceed \$395.00.

**Introduced: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN**

**Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Wohrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

**Dated: February 22, 2022**

**RESOLUTION NO. 02:22:22 - 5**

**RE: APPROVING AGREEMENT FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF HIGHWAY MONIES**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Agreement between the Town Superintendent of Highway of the Town of Beekman, Dutchess County, New York and the undersigned members of the Town Board. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 284 of the Highway Law, we agree that the moneys levied and collected in the Town for the repair and improvement of highways, and received from the State for State Aid for the repair and improvement of highways, shall be expended as follows:

1. **GENERAL REPAIRS.** The sum of **\$381,571.00** shall be set aside to be expended for primary work and general repairs upon **1.92 miles "3.84 Lane Miles"** out of **135.92** lane miles of town highways, including sluices, culverts and bridges having a span of less than five feet and boardwalks or the renewals thereof.
2. **PERMANENT IMPORVEMENTS:** The following sums shall be set aside to be expended for the "permanent improvement" of Town Highways:
  - (a) On the road commencing at Wagontrail Road and leading into **Lookout Pass** finishing into both cul-de-sac's a distance of **.42 miles, ".84 lane miles" "2218 feet"** there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$101,540.00** for **950 Tons of Blacktop, Width of traveled surface 24 Feet with a Thickness of 2"**
  - (b) On the road commencing at Depot Hill Road traveling southeast on **Grape Hollow Rd 5170 feet** ending at the "East entrance of Stage Coach Pass", a distance of **.98 miles, "1.96 lane miles"** there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$158,540.00** for **1551 Tons of Blacktop Width of traveled surface 24 Feet with a Thickness of 2"**
  - (c) On the road commencing at the intersection of **Gardner Hollow Road** traveling northwest on **Sterling Drive** for a distance of **.39 Miles ".78 lane miles then entering Sterling Court driving north for a total of 0.13 miles, "0.26 lane miles"**, for a total of **"2746 feet"** there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$121,491.00** for **1160 Tons of Blacktop Width of traveled surface 25 Feet with a Thickness of 2"**

Explanation of monies totaling \$381,571 for year 2022

Rollover chips	\$64,212
Chips	\$117,359
DA 5112-0401	<u>\$200,000</u>

**TOTAL**                    **\$381,571**

**Introduced: COUNCILMAN STIEGLER**

**Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**Councilman Stiegler            AYE**

**Councilman Battaglini        AYE**

**Councilwoman Wohrman      AYE**

**Supervisor Covucci            AYE**

**Dated: February 22, 2022**

**RESOLUTION NO. 02:22:22 - 6**  
**RE: RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT FOR LIFEGUARD TRAINING**

**WHEREAS**, Alexandra Hall, an Aquatic Director at the YMCA, has agreed to provide lifeguard training classes at the Beekman Rec for the lifeguards needed for the Summer Season; and

**WHEREAS**, the Recreation Director has recommended approval and adoption of an agreement for 2022 with Alexandra Hall, pursuant to which the cost will be \$375 per participant, the classes are scheduled as follows;

June 17: 1-5pm  
June 18: 10-5pm  
June 19: 10-5pm

**Introduced: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI**

**Seconded: COUNCILMAN STIEGLER**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Wohrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

**Dated: February 22, 2022**

**RESOLUTION NO. 02:22:22-7**  
**RE: AUTHORIZE SENIOR BUS TRIP**

**WHEREAS**, the 2022 Budget includes funding for the cost of a variety of bus trips for the Senior Citizen Program; and

**WHEREAS**, deposits are required for tours, shows and meals to guarantee the reservations, which deposits are reimbursed to the town through ticket sales;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that payment of \$1,200 for JTR to charter a bus for the May 5<sup>th</sup> trip to Silver Birches is hereby authorized:

To cover the cost of Admission and fees:

\$48 Resident  
\$58 Non-resident Grandfathered  
\$63 Non-resident not grandfathered  
\$68 Non Senior.

**Introduced: SUPERVISOR COVUCCI**

**Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Wohrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

Dated: February 22, 2022

**RESOLUTION NO. 02:22:22- 8**  
**RE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF TAX CERTIORARI**  
**PROCEEDING REGARDING BRE RC BEEKMAN SS NY LLC C/O EXCEL TRUST**

**WHEREAS**, there is now pending in the Dutchess County Supreme Court a tax certiorari proceeding commenced in 2021 by BRE RC Beekman SS NY LLC c/o Excel Trust, regarding a vacant parcel of real property located at Route 55 in the Town of Beekman, Tax Grid # 6759-00-438354, seeking a reduction in the 2021 tax assessment for respective tax roll; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Assessor and Town Attorney have recommended a settlement of the 2021 tax review proceeding; and

**WHEREAS**, the petitioner has agreed to waive any refund of Town taxes, including Special District and ad valorem taxes, for the aforementioned year as part of a negotiated settlement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby approves a settlement on behalf of the Town of Beekman of the tax review proceeding for tax year 2021, as it pertains to: **Route 55, Tax Grid # 6759-00-438354**

<b>ASSESSMENT ROLL</b>	<b>ASSESSMENT</b>	<b>REDUCED ASSESSMENT</b>	<b>AMOUNT OF REDUCTION</b>
2021	\$390,600	\$200,000	\$190,600

; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Supervisor, Town Assessor and Town Attorney to the Town of Beekman, are hereby authorized to take all action necessary and appropriate to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

**Introduced: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN**

**Seconded: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Stiegler       **AYE**  
Councilman Battaglini     **AYE**  
Councilwoman Wohrman   **AYE**  
Supervisor Covucci       **AYE**

Dated: February 22, 2022

**RESOLUTION NO. 02:22:22 - 9**  
**RE: APPOINTMENT OF NEW TOWN BOARD MEMBER**

**WHEREAS**, a position on the Town Board became available on December 31, 2021 by the resignation of Councilman Robert Swartz and

**WHEREAS**, The Town Board has authority to appoint to fill the vacancy; and

**WHEREAS**, the unexpired portion of the term will be filled by the election on November 8, 2022;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that Philip Capalbo be appointed to fill the vacant Town Board position as of March 8, 2022, and be it further

**RESOLVED** that this term will expire December 31, 2022.

**Introduced: COUNCILMAN STIEGLER**

**Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Wohrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

**Dated: February 22, 2022**

**RESOLUTION NO. 02:22:22-10**  
**RE: RESOLUTION EMPLOYING LABOR RELATIONS ATTORNEY**

**WHEREAS**, Wallace & Wallace, LLP, the Attorneys to the Town of Beekman cannot represent the Town in negotiations with the Teamsters Union; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has received an engagement letter from Catania, Mahon & Rider, PLLC to represent the Town of Beekman with the labor negotiations with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters – Local 456.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that Catania, Mahon & Rider, PLLC with offices at 641 Broadway, Newburgh, New York 12550 be, and hereby is employed and retained to represent the Town of Beekman with the labor negotiations with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters – Local 456; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to execute the engagement letter dated February 22, 2022, submitted to the Supervisor, a copy of which is annexed hereto; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, Catania, Mahon & Rider, PLLC shall be paid in accordance with the engagement letter submitted to the Supervisor dated February 22, 2022.

**Introduced: COUNCILMAN BATTAGLINI**

**Seconded: COUNCILMAN STIEGLER**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Wohrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

**Dated: February 22, 2022**

**RESOLUTION NO. 02:22:22 - 11**  
**RE: PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

**WHEREAS**, the Bookkeeper has audited and approved claims pursuant to Sect. 119 of Town Law as set forth in the attached abstracts; be it

**RESOLVED**, that the payment, therefore, is hereby authorized as follows:

Claims to be paid from the A-General Fund	\$ 3,862,413.48
Claims to be paid from the DA-Highway Fund	\$ 46,854.79
Claims to be paid from the SS – Dover Ridge Sewer	\$ 10,081.77
Claims to be paid from the SW – Dover Ridge Water	\$ 839.91
Claims to be paid from the T-Trust & Agency Fund	<u>\$ 1,328.27</u>
	<u>\$ 3,921,518.22</u>

**02/17/2022 Payroll #04**

General Fund	\$ 32,572.89
Highway Fund	<u>\$ 27,552.61</u>
	<u>\$ 60,125.50</u>

**Introduced: SUPERVISOR COVUCCI**

**Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN**

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Councilman Stiegler	<b>AYE</b>
Councilman Battaglini	<b>AYE</b>
Councilwoman Wohrman	<b>AYE</b>
Supervisor Covucci	<b>AYE</b>

**Dated: February 22, 2022**



# CATANIA, MAHON & RIDER, PLLC

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February 22, 2022

Via "Electronic Mail" Only: [supervisor@townofbeekmanny.us](mailto:supervisor@townofbeekmanny.us)

Mary Covucci, Supervisor  
Town of Beekman  
Beekman Town Hall  
4 Main Street  
Poughquag, NY 12570

RE: Town of Beekman – International Brotherhood of Teamsters – Local 456  
Our File No.: 15513-66916

Dear Supervisor Covucci:

Catania, Mahon & Rider, PLLC ("CM&R") is pleased to have the opportunity to work with you. This Engagement Letter and the General Terms and Conditions attached to this Engagement Letter set forth and confirm the terms and fee agreement under which you have engaged CM&R. We ask that you review these documents and sign this Engagement Letter before we begin any work on your matter.

### SCOPE OF ENGAGEMENT

You have asked CM&R to represent you in connection with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters – Local 456. The scope of our legal services will include representation of the town in collective bargaining negotiations with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters – Local 456. The scope of our services on this matter specifically does not include any litigation or appeals unless we otherwise agree in writing, nor services you may request of us in connection with any other matter, action or proceeding.

The attorney principally responsible for this matter and for coordinating other attorneys and paralegals working on this matter will be JOSEPH G. MCKAY, ESQ. Other CM&R partners as well as associates will be staffed on this matter as we determine to be necessary or appropriate under the

CATANIA, MAHON & RIDER, PLLC

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circumstances and in light of the timing and demand for services associated with this and other CM&R matters. Unless otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, billed time includes, among other things, all time spent on your case, including conferences with you and others, analysis of the factual and legal issues that may arise, telephone calls, drafting of documents, and correspondence. Our hourly rates may change from time to time. Our hourly rates to represent the town in these matters are \$240.00 for attorneys and \$135.00 for paralegals. Services performed after the effective date of an increase in the hourly rates will be subject to such increased rates. It may be necessary to have various professionals in our firm perform services in your case. We will use our best judgment, in our discretion, to assign attorneys and staff personnel to your case. Please call me if you ever have any questions or comments.

**AMENDMENT; ARBITRATION**

This Engagement Letter may be modified only by a written document signed by both you and us and is governed by the laws of the State of New York.

In the event that a dispute arises between us relating to our fees, you may have the right to arbitration of the dispute pursuant to Part 137 of the rules of the Chief Administrator of the courts, a copy of which will be provided to you upon request.

Please signify your acceptance of the terms of this Engagement Letter and the General Terms and Conditions of Engagement by signing below and returning this Engagement Letter to me, together with your retainer check or you may call with or write on this letter your credit card information, as applicable.

We are pleased that you have asked Catania, Mahon & Rider, PLLC to represent you. If you have any questions about our fees at any time, please feel free to discuss them with us. There is no charge for these calls. We look forward to a fruitful relationship.

Very truly yours,

CATANIA, MAHON & RIDER, PLLC

By: Joseph G. McKay / sdcj  
JOSEPH G. MCKAY

JGM/sdg/2053211

**APPROVED AND ACCEPTED; RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGED:**

Town of Beekman

Mary B. Covucci  
Mary Covucci, Supervisor

Dated: 2/23, 2022

*Pursuant to IRS Regulations, any tax advice contained in this communication or attachments is not intended to be used and cannot be used for purposes of avoiding penalties imposed by the Internal Revenue Code or promoting, marketing or recommending to another person any tax related matter.*

## AGREEMENT FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF HIGHWAY MONEYS

AGREEMENT between the Town Superintendent of the Town of Beekman, Dutchess County, New York and the undersigned members of the Town Board. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 284 of the Highway Law, we agree that the moneys levied and collected in the Town for the repair and improvement of highways, and received from the State for State Aid for the repair and improvement of highways, shall be expended as follows:

1. GENERAL REPAIRS. The sum of **\$381,571.00** shall be set aside to be expended for primary work and general repairs upon **1.92 miles "3.84 Lane Miles"** out of **135.92** lane miles of town highways, including sluices, culverts and bridges having a span of less than five feet and boardwalks or the renewals thereof.

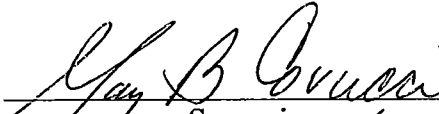
2. PERMANENT IMPORVEMENTS: The following sums shall be set aside to be expended for the "permanent improvements" of Town Highways:

(a) On the road commencing at Wagontrail Road and leading into **Lookout Pass** finishing into both cul-de-sac's a distance of **.42 miles, ".84 lane miles" "2218 feet"** there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$101,540.00** for **950 Tons of Blacktop** Width of traveled surface **24 Feet with a Thickness of 2"**

(b) On the road commencing at Depot Hill Road traveling southeast on **Grape Hollow Rd 5170 feet** ending at the "East entrance of Stage Coach Pass", a distance of **.98 miles, "1.96 lane miles"** there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$158,540.00** for **1551 Tons of Blacktop** Width of traveled surface **24 Feet with a Thickness of 2"**

(c) On the road commencing at the intersection of **Gardner Hollow Road** traveling northwest on **Sterling Drive** for a distance of **.39 miles ".78 lane miles then entering Sterling Court driving north for a total of 0.13 miles, "0.26 lane miles"** for a total of **"2746 feet"** there shall be expended not over the sum of **\$121,491.00** for **1160 Tons of Blacktop** Width of traveled surface **25 Feet with a Thickness of 2"**

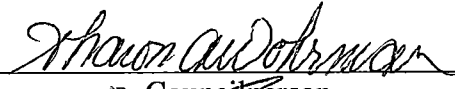
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Supervisor

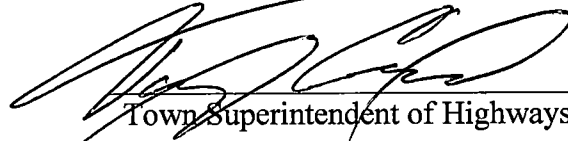
  
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NOTE: This Agreement should be signed in duplicate by a majority of the members of the Town Board and by the Town Superintendent of Highways. Both copies must be approved by the County Superintendent of Highways. One copy must be filed in the Town Clerk's office and one in the County Superintendent of Highway's Office. **COPIES DO NOT TO HAVE TO BE FILED IN ALBANY.**



☆☆☆ *Mobile Music Services* ☆☆☆

djdomino@comcast.net office: 845-278-8452 cell: 945-519-7702

**This document is a contract and invoice for the Disc Jockey services described below:**

Client: The Town of Beekman Recreation and Parks-Seniors

Function host: Jeanne Scigliano

Client telephone number: 845 277 5783

Occasion: St Patrick's Day Celbration

Event location: Event center at Rec Park

Contact at location/telephone: 845 223 1000

Date and start time: Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 11:00 AM

End time: 2:00 PM

Total time: 3 hours

*Should the function host wish to extend the playing time past the listed "end time", a rate of \$150 per hour will be charged. The function host agrees to provide a location with a nearby electrical outlet. The function host also agrees to provide mobile music services personnel with appropriate meals.*

**\*\*\*Mobile Music Services personnel cannot be held responsible or liable for delays or absence due to sudden illness, inclement weather, mechanical breakdown or law enforcement necessity.\*\*\***

NOTE: PAYMENT IS EXPECTED UPON COMPLETION OF THE EVENT,  
IN CASH OR CHECK MADE OUT TO "JOHN HANNAH"

Entertainer/D.J.: John Hannah

Total Amount Due: \$ 395

Deposit: \$ 000

Function Host: Sign Here

Balance Due: \$ 395

Explanation of monies totaling \$381,571 for year 2022

Rollover chips - \$64,212

Chips 2022 - \$117,359

DA.5112.0401 - \$200,000

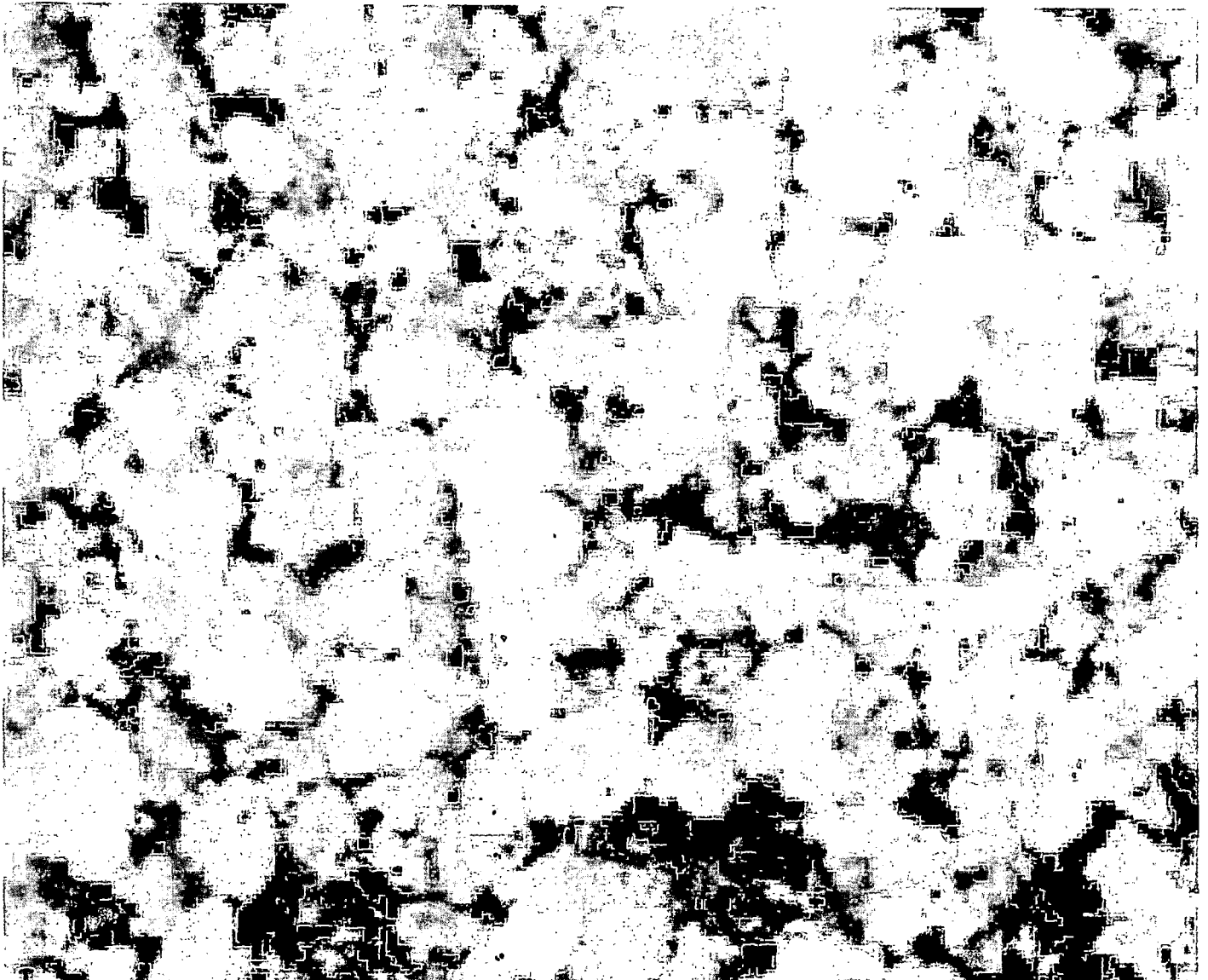
Total - \$381,571

# Study Shows Road Salt Contamination In Drinking Water Wells

WAMC Northeast Public Radio | By Allison Dunne

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As the sight of trucks and plows on icy roads becomes a winter memory, a study from the Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies reveals the impact of road salt on private drinking water wells. The report focused on a town in Dutchess County.

Each year, millions of metric tons of road salt are applied to roads in the U.S. Some of this salt seeps into the soil, where it accumulates and contaminates groundwater, polluting drinking wells. Victoria Kelly, environmental monitoring program manager at



“We don’t have a really good handle on what happens to it when it gets into groundwater, where it resides, if it’s evenly distributed or if it’s not,” says Kelly. “So this study was an attempt to get at that question.”

So researchers focused their study on East Fishkill. Kelly, the report’s lead author, says the town was chosen simply because public data on well testing results when houses are sold was available, and few townships make such data so readily available. She says environmental scientists have been worried about road salt in groundwater for years.

“Groundwater is important for a few reasons,” Kelly says. “One, it’s often a source of drinking water for humans but it also, in the summertime, it’s the main source of water for a lot of our streams.”

Kelly and her colleagues analyzed publicly available data on water samples taken from 956 private drinking water wells in East Fishkill between 2007 and 2013. The study looked at sodium chloride, which she says is the most common road salt. Kelly says more than half of the wells sampled exceeded the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency guidance level for sodium in drinking water at 20 milligrams per liter.

“There’s a lot of salt in the water,” Kelly says. “There’s a lot of wells that are contaminated to an extent that people should be aware of, I won’t say they should be necessarily alarmed by but, they should be aware of.”

And here are some other findings.

“So we essentially found, not surprisingly, that it’s distributed in higher concentrations

payment,” Kelly says.

Proximity to a road increased a well’s chloride concentration, yet road type – major or minor – did not have an impact.

“There was no relationship with well depth, and that was kind of a surprise,” Kelly says. “There’s a lot of assumption out there that the deeper the well, the cleaner the water, and we didn’t find that.”

The analysis also identified several hotspots, where salinization was especially high. Kelly suggests that contributing factors included sharp turns and steep grades that required heavier road salt application, and narrow streets that only accommodate older, less efficient salt trucks. Kelly says she would expect similar results in areas with the same type of geology and use of road salt. The study is published in the Journal of Environmental Quality.

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# Road salt pollutes drinking water wells in suburban New York State

Study reveals hotspots and landscape features linked to elevated salt in wells.

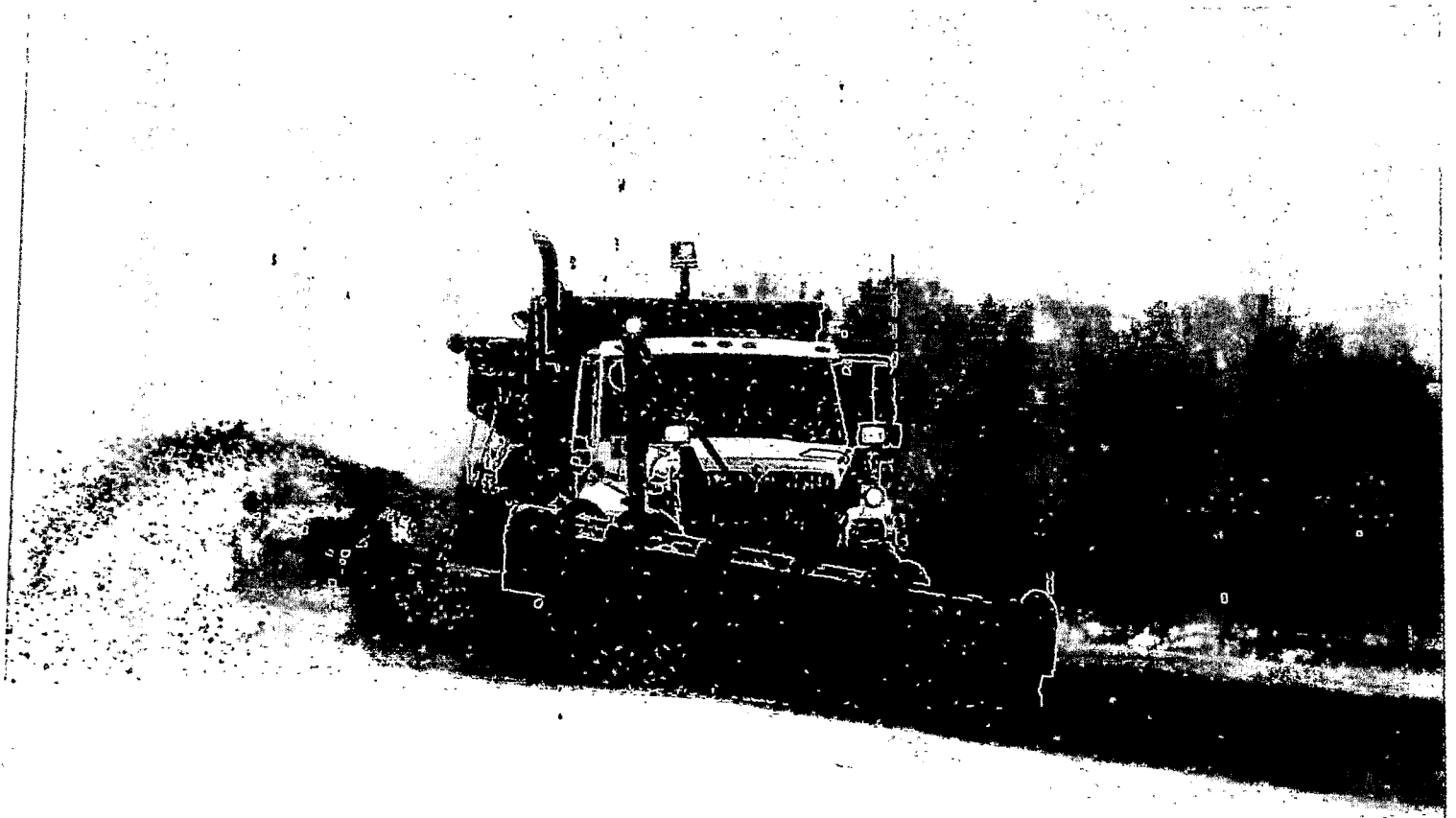
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DRINKING WATER, ROAD SALT

Road salt applied during the winter lingers in the environment, where it can pollute drinking water supplies. In a recent **study** (<http://dx.doi.org/10.2134/jeq2017.03.0124>) in the *Journal of Environmental Quality*, researchers identify landscape and geological characteristics linked to elevated well-water salinity in a suburban township in Southeastern New York.

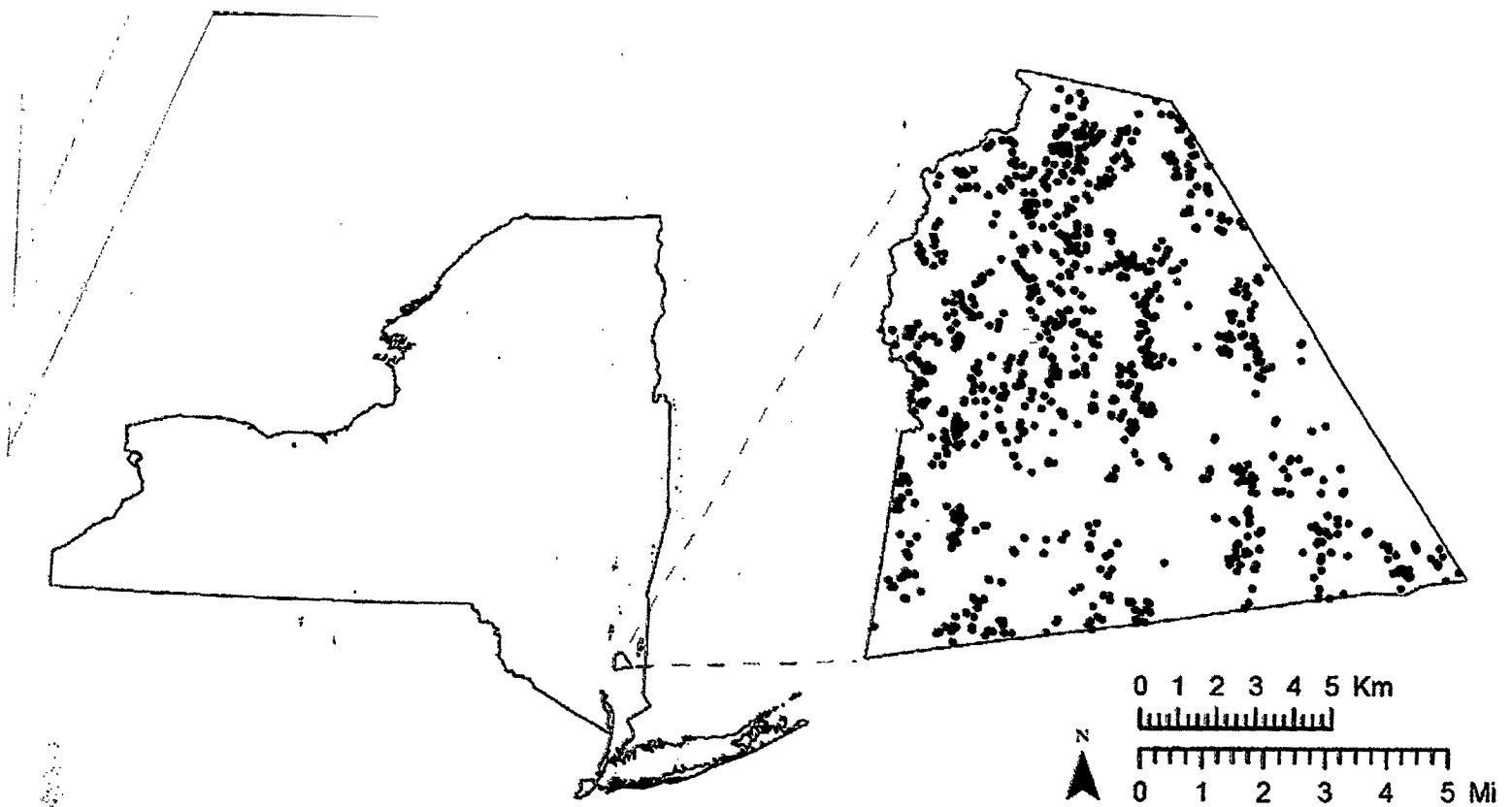
**Victoria Kelly** (</science/research-support/victoria-kelly>), lead author and **Environmental Monitoring Program** (</science/research-projects/environmental-monitoring-program>) Manager at

Institute of Ecosystem Studies, explains, "Each year, millions of metric tons of salt are applied to roads in the US. Some of this salt seeps into the soil, where it infiltrates and contaminates groundwater. We wanted to understand why some wells are more at risk than others, to inform management that protects water quality."



Larger, state-maintained roads did not have a greater impact on groundwater chloride concentrations than smaller, locally maintained roads.

Kelly and colleagues analyzed publicly available data on water samples taken from 956 private drinking water wells in East Fishkill, New York between 2007 and 2013. More than half of the wells sampled exceeded US Environmental Protection Agency health standards for sodium. Distance to the nearest road and amount of nearby pavement strongly influenced well water salinity. Surprisingly, well depth and road type – ranging from interstate highways to back roads – did not have a significant impact.



Locations of groundwater samples in the East Fishkill township, Dutchess County, New York. (Source: Kelly et al 2018.)

GIS analysis of sodium and chloride concentrations was used to describe the pattern of road salt distribution in the aquifers tapped for drinking water, and to compare surface features in the surrounding area of each well location. The team assessed neighborhood-scale variables, including well depth, proximity to roads, well elevation relative to nearby roads, impervious surface, surface geology, and soil type to discern relationships between development and well salinity.

Findings linking pavement and other impervious surface cover to well salinity support a growing body of evidence that development and urbanization cause groundwater salinization. Proximity to a road increased a well's chloride concentration, yet road type – major or minor – did not have an impact. Well depth did not significantly impact saltiness and elevation in relation to nearby roads only affected wells when the roads were more than 30 meters from the nearest well.

Several hotspots, where salinization was especially high, were identified. Suggested contributing factors included sharp turns and steep grades that required heavier road sa

on, and narrow streets that only accommodate older, less efficient salt trucks. was only one cold spot, in an area of low housing density, reinforcing the onship between urbanization, salt application, and freshwater salinization.

Knowing the location of salt pollution hotspots can help municipalities prevent drinking water from becoming unfit for consumption. This map depicts chloride concentrations in East Fishkill, NY. Areas in green had relatively low chloride concentrations, whereas orange to light pink areas had high chloride concentrations. (Source: Kelly et al 2018.)

Understanding the landscape features that lead to increased groundwater salinization from targeted salt application," explains Stuart Findlay, a freshwater ecologist at the Institute of Ecosystem Studies. "The time to act is now, as we know it can take decades or more for the salt currently in groundwater to flush out."

Kelly adds, "In planning efforts to minimize road salt impacts, our findings tell us that smaller roads should not be overlooked and areas with a lot of pavement and porous, well-drained soils are most at risk of experiencing salinization. Road salting is not one-size-fits-all undertaking. More targeted approaches will keep roads safe while reducing unintended consequences to drinking water supplies."

#### Citation

Victoria R. Kelly, Mary Ann Cunningham, Neil Curri, Stuart E. Findlay, Sean M. Carroll. **The Distribution of Road Salt in Private Drinking Water Wells in a Southeastern New York Suburban Township** (<http://dx.doi.org/10.2134/jeq2017.03.0124>). *Journal of Environment Quality*, 2018; 0 (0): 0 DOI: **10.2134/jeq2017.03.0124** (<http://dx.doi.org/10.2134/jeq2017.03.0124>)