Schuylerville NY Forward Revitalization Goals



Reconnect the Old Champlain Canal under Ferry Street

Rendering Pending



Improve infrastructure for pedestirans and bicyclists



Expand public amenities for outdoor recreation and gathering along the trail and river



Embrace infill development and renovations focused on local businesses and workforce housing



Craft a welcoming identity through promotion of the arts and placemaking



Route 29

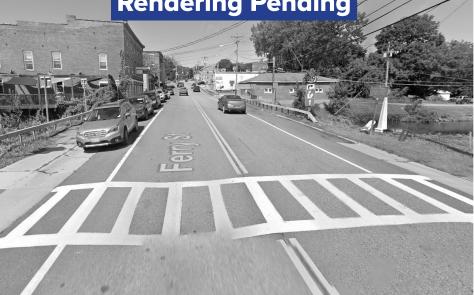
Project Type: Public Improvement

Project Sponsor: Village of Schuylerville

Property Ownership: NYS DOT. NYS Canal Corporation

Funding Estimate:

\$1.650.000 Total Project Cost \$1.050.000 Total NYF Funds Requested 36% Sponsor Match %



Project Location:

Project Overview:

This project proposes the construction of a clear span bridge (or potentially a box culvert) over the Champlain Canal to carry two lanes of traffic (Route 29) and a pedestrian and bike path. There is an additional short-span bridge option, with mass-timber structure proposed for study.

This bridge would create a new water trail in the Village by allowing small watercraft to travel between the Olde Champlain Canal and Turning Basin as well as a much greater flow of fresh water, helping to reduce algae.

The bridge would include enhanced facilities for pedestrians and bicyclists, greatly improving safety in this location while also improving connectivity to Fort Hardy Park and the Canal Visitors Center.

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Above: Aerial diagram showing area of work, highlighting pedestrian and water connections to be improved

Existing Site Conditions:

In the Spring of 2022, one of the three culverts that allows the water to flow from the Turning Basin into the Champlain Canal under Route 29 at the Eastern end of the village, collapsed. This culvert runs under Route 29, a very busy highway heavily travelled by trucks. The north side of this highway where it passes over the Champlain Canal culvert is extremely dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists. Traffic is heavy and there is almost no shoulder. In its current state, the canal is impassible, unattractive, and unwelcoming due to contamination, obstruction from vegetation, sediments, and foul-smelling anaerobic decay

Capacity and Partners:

NYS DOT would plan and install the clear span bridge and the Village of Schuylerville would administer the grant.

Alignment with Vision and Goals:

This project ties to goals of **Pedestrain Infrastructure** and **Recreation**.

Readiness and Timeframe:

The vision to open the Old Champlain Canal for recreation has been a consistent recommendation in local and regional planning initiatives for nearly 25 years. The Village is planning to complete the project before the 250th celebration.



Above: Example box culvert crossing, with diagram of proposed location over photograph of existing condition

Project Category:

Project Size:







NYF Funds Requested:

Public Improvement

Large