

Project Registration Number _____

***Niagara River Greenway Commission
Consultation and Review Form***

Type of Review Required: _____ Mandatory Consultation

_____ Voluntary Review and/or Endorsement

PROJECT SPONSOR INFORMATION

Name: _____
Town of Lewiston
1375 Ridge Road
Mailing Address: _____
NY 14092
State: _____ Zip Code: _____
16-6002298
Federal ID# _____ Charities Registration # _____

PROJECT TYPE

Check all that apply: _____ Environmental _____ Cultural/Heritage _____ Land or Water Public Access

_____ Cultural ☒ Trail _____ Educational/Interpretive

_____ Waterfront or Land Based Development _____ Signage

_____ Recreational _____ Other

Project Name: _____
Lewiston Mohawk Trail Project

Location: _____
Village of Lewiston

Site Address: _____
N 9th Street

State: _____ Zip Code: _____
NY 14092

Minor Civil Division(s): _____
Town of Lewiston

County: _____
Niagara

Project Proponent Property Interest (own, lease, easement or other): _____
Within the Village of Lewiston's ROW

AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL

Name: Steve Broderick Title: Town Supervisor
Business Address: 1375 Ridge Road, Lewiston
New York 14092
State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Telephone Number: (716) 754-8213 Cell Number: _____
(716) 754-2319
Fax Number: _____
E-Mail Address: supervisor@townoflewiston.us

PROJECT POINT OF CONTACT

Name: Steve Broderick Title: Town Supervisor
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PROJECT NARRATIVE

Please attach material which responds to the following five items in the order that they are presented.

1. In a brief paragraph, describe the project and its purpose, how and when it will be accomplished, and why it is important.

The Town of Lewiston (endorsed by the Village of Lewiston) is requesting \$13,958 in Greenway funds to complete the Mohawk Trail Project. The purpose of the Mohawk Trail Project is to complete the missing link in the Lower Niagara River/ Seaway Trail system, specifically connecting the Lewiston Pathway into the Village of Lewiston from its termination point on 9th and Seneca Streets. The trail will extend within existing Village Right of Ways on 9th Street and Mohawk Street. In its current condition, there is a large section of trail missing and fails to serve the population with the quality connective trails to amenities residents, visitors and tourist to enjoy. The proposed Mohawk Trail Project site is located within a few blocks of the Niagara River, Academy Park and Kiwanis Park (previously awarded Greenway project site), which puts this project in the heart of the Niagara River Greenway. The Town of Lewiston has already secured \$82,292 in funding from the Department of Transportation towards this project. The Mohawk Trail project has a total cost of \$96,250, which puts this project at a \$13,958 deficit.

This project will see the connection to the existing trail systems and will link the trail system to several Village/Town Parks. Kiwanis Park is located adjacent to the Niagara Scenic Parkway (Robert Moses Parkways), and is one of several Town-owned parks that the Town of Lewiston maintains. This project will add additional access to the Town's parks system, as it will also link Academy Park and Artpark (previously funded Greenway project sites). This project will also enhance connectivity to parks that recreational needs of their respective communities and the Town and Village of Lewiston as a whole when integrated with other local parks.

The Town of Lewiston declares that it is their opinion, shared by the Town of Lewiston Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, that the completion of the Mohawk Trail Project will have a positive effect on the use and usefulness of parks connected by the Niagara Greenway.

2. Referring to the Niagara River Greenway Plan, clearly document and describe how the proposed project will advance the Niagara River Greenway vision including the goals, principles, and criteria that define that vision.

The Mohawk Trail Project will promote the vision of the Niagara River Greenway by supporting the connective trail system and public parkland along the Niagara River to serve as a recreational gateway for visitors to the Greenway Corridor.

The Mohawk Trail is located within close proximity to drive, bike, hike, and/or jog to Lewiston's other parks as well as to the Niagara River, Kiwanis Park, Academy

Park and Artpark. Mohawk Trail also supports Lewiston's other parks by providing this proposed linkage to Town and Village activities that can be enjoyed by visiting the Tuscarora Hero's Monument and Freedom Crossing Monument. Other recreational activities that the mention parks include instructional tennis, basketball, and other athletics, arts and crafts, preschooler sessions, field trips, instructional chess and other games and classes in specific arts or crafts.

This project incorporates all of the principles, goals and criteria set forth by the Niagara River Greenway, and the project will support an accessible, unified, environmentally friendly, and revitalized corridor that highlights the natural beauty, cultural diversity, and historic significance of the Niagara River.

PRINCIPALS

The implementation of the Mohawk Trail Project will meet the guiding principles of the Niagara Greenway Commission as follows:

Excellence

The Town of Lewiston is committed to maintaining the excellence of all its recreational facilities. The proposed Mohawk Trail is in close proximity to other Town and State parks and bike trails. Pedestrians will capitalize on the trail's connection to the surrounding area's recreation amenities (playground equipment, recreation programs for youths, and basketball courts), pristine natural beauty, and scenic vistas, thus contributing to the Greenway Commission's first-class standards.

Sustainability

The Mohawk Trail Project will promote the *ecological, economical* and *physical* sustainability for long-term viability and effectiveness. The Town's Parks and Recreation Department will conscientiously maintain the project.

Accessibility

The Mohawk Trail is located along the Niagara Corridor in the Towns of Lewiston and Niagara, thus facilitating improved public access to the Town's additional parks and the Niagara River Vistas. The proposed project is designed to provide and increase accessibility to all of the Town and Village of Lewiston's Parks and amenities.

Ecological Integrity

The Mohawk Trail Project will support parkland that is used, and will improve the health, vitality, and integrity of the connecting park's natural resources. Adjacent wildlife habitats from the Niagara River and Lewiston Plateau will continue to support the ecological significance in these areas and natural landscapes.

Public Well-Being

Within the proposed project area of the Niagara River and Greenway Corridor, the Mohawk Trail Project will provide much-needed recreational opportunity to a wide range of users, including the community's youth and their parents who utilize the

trail system and the connected parks for recreation, after-school programs, and sports. This trail project will advance public wellbeing and promote physical and emotional wellness through the experience that it offers to by providing access to both active and passive recreational opportunities, and amenities for those with special needs. The project will provide improved access for various recreational activities and will support a relaxing atmosphere for all visitors.

Connectivity

The Mohawk Trail Project will facilitate increased access to Town Parks, Artpark amenities, events in the Village of Lewiston, water front access and Niagara River natural vistas as well as connecting trails along the Niagara River. The closest parks to this proposed trail is Academy Park, Artpark and Kiwanis Park that serves as recreational destinations for Town residents, visitors, tourist and the surrounding community. The Town maintains two of its community baseball fields within the Park for use by the community, and its spring, summer and fall baseball programs. This project will connect park users to additional equipment and recreational opportunities.

Restoration

The location of the proposed Mohawk Trail Project will feature, on road trail with new ADA compliant crosswalks (as required) and will meet all DOT, Village and Town regulations.

Authenticity

The Mohawk Trail Project will support the already established clear sense of “place” and identity that reflects the traditional spirit and heritage of the area.

Celebration

This project will be designed to celebrate local history, diversity, cultural resources, and the natural and built environments, and will seek to share this diverse tradition with local residents and visitors to the region. Once this trail is complete it will only strengthen the sense of celebration during events and activities that help build social interaction and shared experiences throughout the Greenway corridor.

Partnerships

The focus of the Mohawk Trail Project is a direct cooperation between the Village & Town, but with many visitors to the parks and Lewiston trail system, as well as other local towns and villages, this project will only strengthen relationships with neighboring communities and may lend itself to future coordination and integration of efforts throughout the Greenway.

Community Based

The Mohawk Trail Project has been in the planning stage for several years, with support provided by the Town Supervisor (Steve Broderick), and the Village Mayor (Terry Collesano). The project is vital in creating a comprehensive connective trail

system to meet the needs of the Town and the surrounding population and has the full support of the local community.

GOALS

The implementation of the Mohawk Trail Project will meet the goals of the Niagara River Greenway as follows:

Improve Access

The Mohawk Trail Project will serve as a recreational destination for members and visitors of the community and will further support local festivals, scenic vistas, recreational activities and programs for the Town's youth and residents as a whole. During both leisure park enjoyment and organized park activities, including youth baseball, tennis and basketball games. Implementation of this project will significantly contribute to the improvement of the Town's comprehensive connective trail system that has experienced a large increase of usage due to the increase in population within the Town and surrounding communities.

Make Connections

The Mohawk Trail Project will facilitate increased access for local park and trail users to Kiwanis Park, Academy Park and Artpark and will serve as a comprehensive connective trail system (Lewiston Pathway, River Road Trail, Niagara Scenic Trail (Robert Moses Parkway) as a recreational destination for Lewiston residents, visitors, tourists and the surrounding community.

Protect and Restore Environmental Systems

This project will ensure that the Mohawk Trail remains as an open viable trail system, as well as preserve the surrounding environment from commercial and residential development. The project contributes to the environmental wellbeing of the region.

Spark Revitalization and Renewal

The Mohawk Trail Project addresses the heart of the Greenway's goal for revitalization and renewal of green spaces and public recreational opportunities. Mohawk Trail serves as a recreational connection for visitors and much of the community's youths through its spring, summer and fall sporting programs. The comprehensive connective trail system will offer a more user-friendly and safe environment for all that use these areas.

Promote Long Term Sustainability

As the Village of Lewiston currently owns the property, where the proposed Mohawk Trail Project will be constructed and the Town will continue to ensure that the trail is maintained and updated to remain an attractive destination along the Niagara River Greenway. Mohawk Trail will be conscientiously maintained well into the future through its recreational events and programs, the connection between

Kiwanis Park and Lewiston's other Town parks will contribute to the vitality of the area as it continues to serve as an attractive and essential gateway along the Niagara River Greenway and trail systems. The Town is committed to the yearly funding and manpower that are necessary to keep the trail in top condition.

Extend the Legacy of Fredrick Law Olmstead

Currently, the Town of Lewiston has started an extensive comprehensive connective trail system throughout the Town and Village for the enjoyment of residents and visitors. Due to the recent increase in population and the projected continuance of that trend, The Mohawk Trail Project will provide local residents and visitors to the area with improved continuous access to the local festivals, scenic vistas, recreational activities and programs.

Celebrate History and Heritage

The Mohawk Trail Project will meet the specialized needs of all that use this area, adhering to all ADA standards, thus providing additional recreational amenities to serve the steadily increasing population. Throughout its history, the Town of Lewiston has been a close-knit community within itself and with surrounding municipalities. All of Lewiston's parks support its heritage and pride of its park system, which includes Kiwanis Park, Academy Park and Artpark. The project will provide signage to the Tuscarora Hero's Monument, Freedom Crossing Monument and the future bust of Morgan Lewis, whom the Town and Village was named after (all Greenway Projects).

CRITERIA

Through the Mohawk Trail Project, the Town of Lewiston meets criteria of the Niagara River Greenway Plan:

Consistency with Niagara River Greenway Principles

The Mohawk Trail Project makes a significant contribution towards all the principles set forth by the Niagara River Greenway. This project encourages the vision for the Greenway to be explicitly considered for project development, at the basic vision, to see the space around and near the Niagara River become developed and to attract residents and visitors to utilize this space while experiencing the natural resource provided by the Niagara River.

Priority Status

The Mohawk Trail Project has been in the planning phase for several years to restore and enhance several recreation opportunities for users of all ages, including the community's abundant, increasing youth population. Mohawk Trail Project supports the pride of Lewiston's parks system and will enhance the overall attractiveness and usability of the parks for the community.

Environmental Soundness

The conceptual plan has addressed the need to provide proper maintenance of landscaping and plant life, as well as return any disturbed ground to its original condition.

Implementable

A contractor will perform all work associated with this project. The cost was figured out by gathering cost estimates from contractors (please see enclosed quote). Once approved, this project will be put out to bid for equipment prices and installation.

Economic Viability and Local Sponsor

All maintenance and upkeep of the trail will be provided through a line item in the Town of Lewiston Parks and Recreation Department Budget. The Town of Lewiston will continue to provide stewardship for this project, and provide the necessary money, equipment, and manpower to further this project along from the design phase, to its completion and beyond.

Availability of Local Sponsor or Partner

The Town of Lewiston is committed to developing and maintaining this trail system as part of its yearly budget and thus will assume the long-term responsibility for continued operation and maintenance. The Town will ensure that the trail does not fall into disrepair and will continue to champion the project after it is completed.

Ability to Match or Leverage Funds

The Town of Lewiston will not be providing any matching funds for this project, but they have already secured \$82,292 in funding from the Department of Transportation. The Mohawk Trail project has a total cost of \$96,250, which puts this project as a whole at a \$13,958 deficit which is the amount needed to complete the proposed section of the trail, with funding from Niagara River Greenway can the Town (and Village) of Lewiston hope to complete this project.

Clear Benefits

The Mohawk Trail Project will serve as comprehensive connective trail system destination, linking surrounding communities for recreational activities, programs, events, festivals and sporting events, will improve the quality of life in our growing community, and enhance tourism and the visitor experience for those visiting the Greenway.

3. Define the budget for the proposed project and include costs for the following:

Planning	\$_____
Construction	<u>\$13,958</u>

Acquisition	\$ _____
Administration	\$ _____
Operation and Maintenance / Year	\$ _____
TOTAL PROJECT COST	<u>\$13,958</u>

Identify all sources of funding and the amount of funding expected from each source. Identify and quantify funds that are already on hand or have been allocated for the proposed project. Explain how the project will be operated and maintained.

The Town and Village of Lewiston do not currently have the ability to match or leverage funds, so without funding from Greenway this project is not possible. The Town and Village of Lewiston will continue to provide stewardship for this project once its complete, and provide the necessary money, equipment, and manpower to protect this project beyond completion. The Town has already secured \$82,292 in funding from the Department of Transportation. The Mohawk project has a total cost of \$96,250, which puts this project as a whole at a \$13,958 deficit which is the amount needed to complete the proposed section of the trail, only with funding from Niagara River Greenway can the Town (and Village) of Lewiston hope to complete this project. (see attached engineering drawings and cost estimate).

4. Describe the measures taken at the local level to gain community and government support for this project (hearings, petitions, public surveys, resolutions of support or other methods). If this project has been cited or described in a local planning document or some equivalent thereof, attach copies of that documentation highlighting the sections that are relevant to the proposed project. Describe the role of municipal agencies, stakeholder groups, consultants, volunteers or others who will be involved in the proposed project.

This project, which has been in the planning phase for several years, has received strong community support from residents, organizations, and local representatives and is fully supported by the local governing body for the Town of Lewiston (see attached resolution). Support for the Mohawk Trail Project is coming in from both the Town and Village of Lewiston. The Town of Lewiston unanimously supported the project and Greenway funding on November 14, 2016. The Village of Lewiston Board of Trustees also unanimously passed the Village of Lewiston 2016 Mohawk Trail Project Endorsement Letter, stating that the Board of Trustees supports the Mohawk Trail (see attached)

This project will provide excellent opportunities for environmental and geological education, outreach, and community involvement. Once completed, this project will:

- Restore and protect ecologically and geologically significant landscapes;

- Create/enhance public access to a natural resource;
 - Result in the restoration of an area, which has been long neglected and underutilized, and no longer meets the needs of the surrounding community;
 - Protect and enhance those scenic, historic and cultural resources, which are readily identifiable as valued parts of the common heritage of New York's citizens; by facilitating convenient access to the Niagara River and Erie Canal; and, maintain the critical natural-resource-based industries, recreation, and tourism.
5. Describe and document the environmental setting and existing conditions at the proposed project site. If you are not the owner of the property include a letter(s) or resolution(s) evidencing support for the project by the owner. Provide photographs, conceptual plans and drawings that show the site as it presently exists and how the site will change with the addition of the proposed project. Describe how your project will comply with the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA). The existence of wetlands, significant upland and aquatic habitats, and plant or animals species that are classified as rare, threatened, or endangered should be noted. Explain how such natural resources will be protected and/or enhanced. Cite any relevant project-related studies.

The Mohawk Trail Project site is located in the Village of Lewiston between 9th Street and Mohawk Street, which is currently developed as a residential area, however the project site falls within the Village's ROW, and owned/maintained by the Village of Lewiston. The proposed trail will be open daily, 365 days a year, with no set hours and will be made to adhere to all the latest ADA regulations. The trail will be often used to link residents to local festivals, scenic vistas, recreational activities and programs events including the Lewiston Jazz Festival, Lewiston Christmas Walk and Lewiston Harvest Festival. There were no relevant studies necessary for this project, as the project site has been developed and has under gone previous ground disturbance, all SEQR documentation has already been filed for this area.

Resolution and Endorsement Letter

Town of Lewiston
AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION
November 7, 2016
For the Niagara River Greenway Commission
for the
Town of Lewiston, Mohawk Trail Project


I, Donna Garfinkel, Town Clerk of the Town of Lewiston located at 1375 Ridge Road Lewiston, NY 14092, do hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted at a regular Town Board meeting of the Town of Lewiston held on November 7, 2016, and is incorporated in the original minutes of the said meeting and that the said resolution has not been altered, amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires to use the Town of Lewiston's Niagara River Greenway funds to for the **Mohawk Trail Project** for additional costs to complete the project.

WHEREAS, the Town Board has to apply and request additional funding from the Niagara River Greenway Host Standing Committee, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes and submits a request for additional funding for **Mohawk Trail Project** in the amount of **\$13,958**, and

RESOLVED, That Steve Broderick, as Supervisor of the Town of Lewiston, is hereby authorized and directed to file an application for funding from the Niagara River Greenway Host Standing Committee to complete **Mohawk Trail Project**.


Donna Garfinkel, Town Clerk

Seal of Municipality



Village of Lewiston

Resolution Supporting The Town of Lewiston's
Greenway Application for the Morgan Lewis Bust

WHEREAS, Town of Lewiston is applying to the Niagara River Greenway for a grant application to purchase and install a bust of Morgan Lewis. This bust will be located at the Village's Peace Garden at 476 Center Street, Lewiston

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Village Board of the Village of Lewiston hereby does approve and endorse the Greenway Application for the Town of Lewiston Morgan Lewis Bust Niagara River Greenway Project.

DATE OF ADOPTION

Monday, November 7, 2016

CERTIFICATION OF CLERK

*Adopted by Village of Lewiston
Board of Trustees*

Amy Salada

*Amy Salada
Clerk Treasurer*

DOT Proof of Funding

Master Municipal MULTI-MODAL Program - SCHEDULE A

(This Schedule may not be used where other Multi-Modal, State or Federal funding sources co-exist)

1. Name of Municipal Project Owner: Town of Lewiston
2. Project Title: Town of Lewiston - Extend bike path from Mohawk Street to Center Street
3. MM Project ID#: S782 MM Program ID (MM#2, MM#3, or MM#4?): MM#1
4. Maximum MM Project Reimbursement (under this Agreement): \$ 82,289.75
5. MASTER Municipal MM OSC Contract #: D033076

6. Municipal Contact:

Name/Title: Steve Broderick, Supervisor
Organization: Town of Lewiston
Address: 1375 Ridge Rd
City/State/Zip: Lewiston, NY 14092

7. Project Location: Town of Lewiston Route/Name: Robert Moses Parkway
From: Mohawk St To: Center St

8. Project Description/Scope: Construct 2000 lf of 10 ft wide asphalt pathway from Mohawk Street along the Robert Moses Parkway to Center Street

9. Project Schedule Beginning Date: June 2016 Project Ending Date: June 2020

10. Project Cost Summary:

SUMMARY COST TOTAL:	State Multi-Modal Funding under this Schedule A	Local Funding (Insert Zero if None)
\$ 82,289.75	\$ 82,289.75	\$ 0

11. Eligible Project Type: (Please check one)

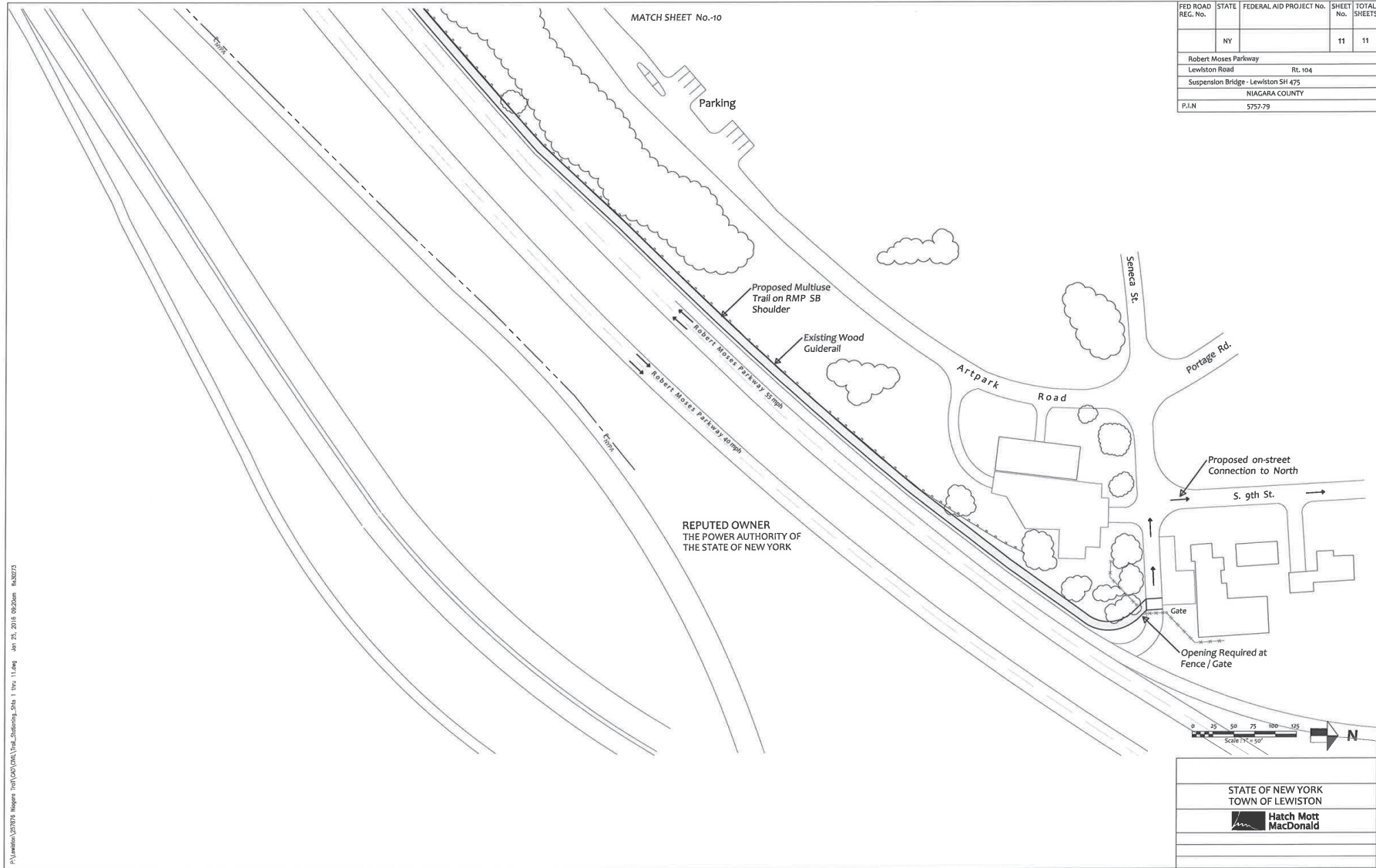
- ☒ Highway Resurfacing ☐ Bridge Rehabilitation ☐ New Highway Construction ☐ New Bridge Construction
☐ Highway Reconstruction ☐ Bridge Replacement ☐ Interchange Const./Reconstruction ☐ Intersection Improvement
☐ Aviation (Is this project consistent with an approved Airport Layout Plan)? ☐ Yes ☐ No
☒ Other (Please explain): Recreational Pathway

12. Signature of responsible Local Official: Steve Broderick Date: 3/9/16

13. Please print your Name & Title here: Steve Broderick, Supervisor

14. Please list your area code & phone number here: 716-754-8213

Map and Quote



FED. ROAD REG. No.	STATE	FEDERAL AID PROJECT No.	SHEET No.	TOTAL SHEETS
	NY		11	11
Robert Moses Parkway				
Lewiston Road Rt. 104				
Suspension Bridge - Lewiston SH 475				
NIAGARA COUNTY				
P.I.N. 5757.79				

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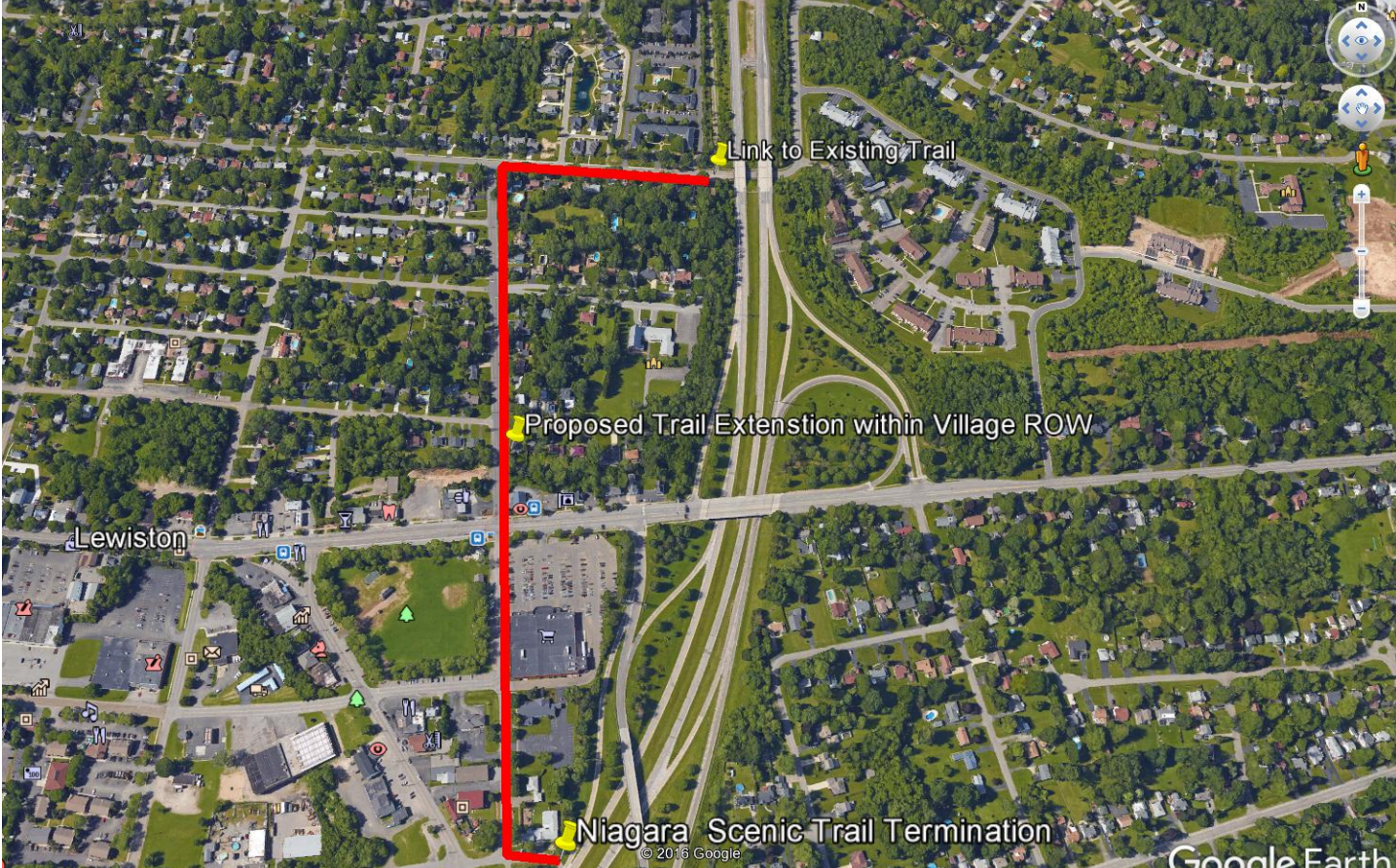
Village of Lewsiton

**Niagara Scenic Trail
Village Extension
9th Street and Mohawk St.**

This project will consist of extension of the Proposed Niagara Scenic Trail from its termination at Seneca St.
The trail will extend within existing Village Right of Ways on 9th St. and Mohawk St. and link to the existing trail at Kiwanis Park.

Item	Estimated Cost	
Shoulder Improvements	\$	30,000
Road Markings	\$	25,000
Signage	\$	20,000
SUBTOTAL	\$	75,000
Construction Contingency (15%)	\$	11,250.00
Engineering		\$10,000
	\$	96,250





Link to Existing Trail

Proposed Trail Extension within Village ROW

Lewiston

Niagara Scenic Trail Termination

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