



# Lewisboro Lakes Sewer District

October 8, 2024

# Background

## Septic Limitations

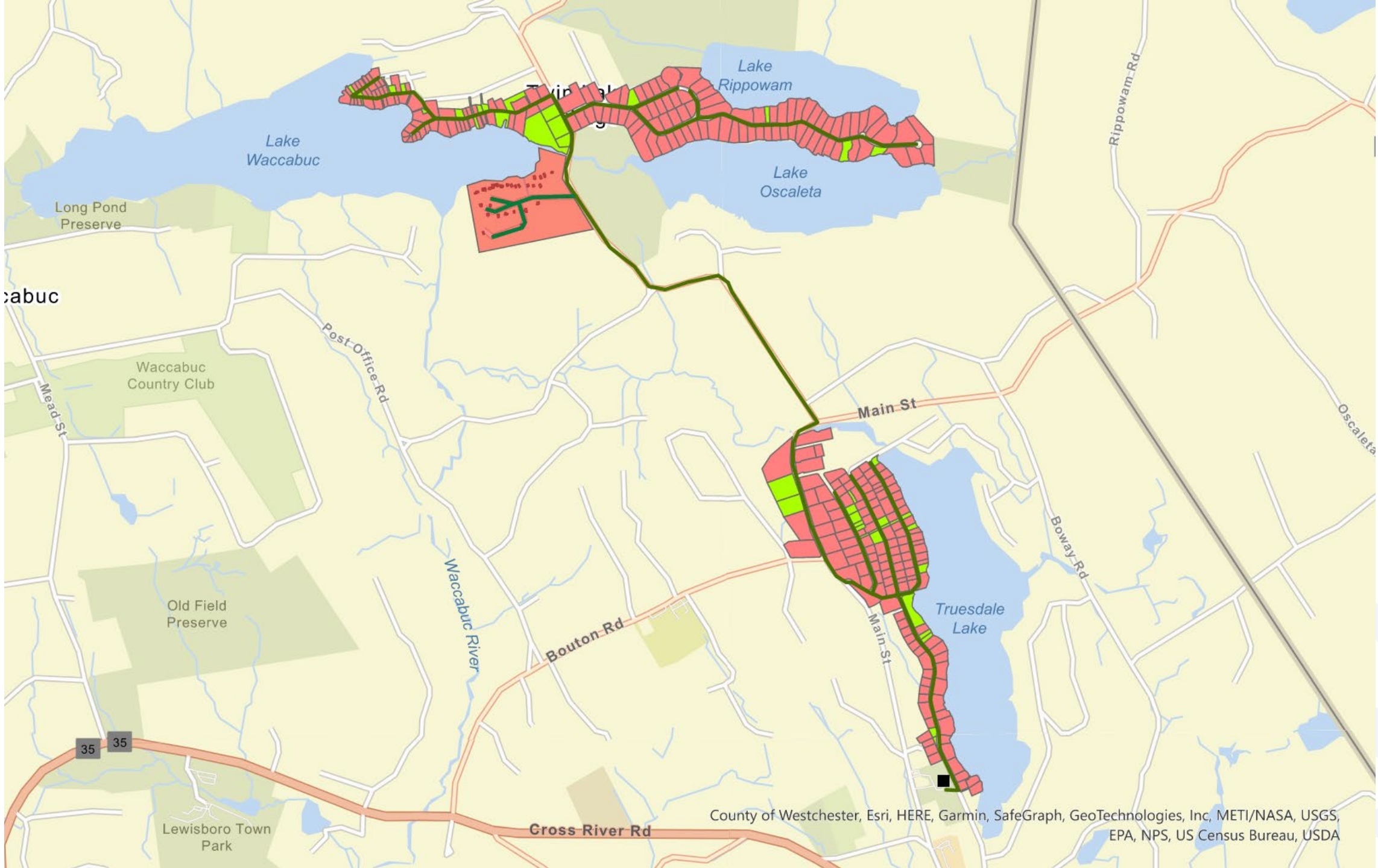
- ▶ Lot size
- ▶ Topography
- ▶ Proximity to waterbodies
- ▶ Reiterated through multiple prior studies

## Water Quality Impacts

- ▶ NYCDEP watershed
- ▶ Impacts well water quality, including community systems

## Alternatives Evaluated

- ▶ Septic repair/maintenance
- ▶ Cluster systems
- ▶ Centralized WWTP and collection system



County of Westchester, Esri, HERE, Garmin, SafeGraph, GeoTechnologies, Inc, METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, US Census Bureau, USDA



# Proposed Project



**61,560**

Gallons per day



**304**

Properties

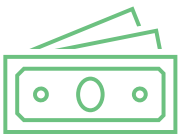


**5.3**

Miles of pipe

**\$40,000,000**

Project Cost

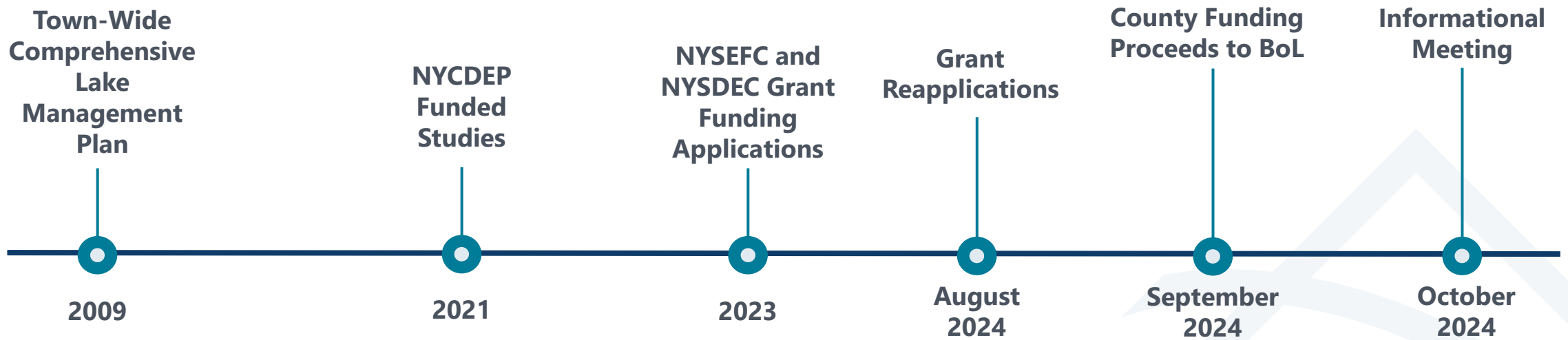


**\$1,450**

Annual Cost per Home



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contingent on  
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- ▶ **What is my out-of-pocket cost as a property owner?**

- ▶ Current project includes installation up to the existing septic system. Final connection and septic tank decommissioning is the property owner's responsibility.

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- ▶ **Can I opt out?**

- ▶ If the vote is successful, all proposed properties will become part of the District and assessed the annual fee.

- ▶ **If I have a vacant lot do I have to pay the annual fee for that lot?**

- ▶ Currently vacant lots are not included in the project. Vacant lots could be petitioned to join the District in the future.

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- ▶ **How does Sewer District voting work?**

- ▶ A special election will be held for property owners within the proposed district. Multiple owners on a deed are each allowed to vote, but owners of multiple properties may only vote once.



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- ▶ **Can I expand my house once connected to the sewer?**
  - ▶ Building modifications can be made consistent with current planning and zoning requirements.
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- ▶ **My home is in the proposed sewer district. Can I stop pumping my septic system now?**
  - ▶ No. You need to continue to maintain your septic system until the new sewer system is up and running. Town law requiring septic pumping every 5 years continues to apply until you are hooked up to the sewer system.

- ▶ **What happens to my existing septic system?**
  - ▶ Septic tank decommissioning typically includes filling the existing tank with sand. The existing leaching fields can typically be abandoned in place.
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- ▶ **Will I have to pay any maintenance?**
  - ▶ Current and future maintenance is included in the estimated annual \$1450 cost / household. Septic maintenance and replacement will no longer be required.

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- ▶ **What happens if the power goes out?**

- ▶ The system will be designed with extra capacity to deal with power outages. The plant will have a backup generator and individual pumps will have a generator connection point.

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- ▶ **Will the effluent from the sewer plant go into one of the lakes?**

- ▶ No, the treated water will enter a tributary of the Waccabuc River.

- ▶ **Can we bury utility lines or replace old water mains as part of this project?**

- ▶ No. The funding is specifically and only for mitigation of septic system pollution. Utility, water, and sewer lines all have required separation distances so they cannot go in the same trench.