

George Latimer County Executive

May 5, 2023

Westchester County Board of Legislators 800 Michaelian Office Building White Plains, New York 10601

Dear Members of the Board of Legislators:

Transmitted herewith for your review and approval is a bond act (the "Bond Act") which, if adopted, would authorize the County of Westchester (the "County") to issue bonds in the amount of \$2,510,000 to finance the following capital project:

SOS08 - Ossining WRRF Structural Rehabilitation ("SOS08").

The Bond Act, in the amount of \$2,510,000, would fund design and construction management associated with the rehabilitation of the primary and secondary clarifier tanks at the Ossining Wastewater Resource Recovery Facility.

The Department of Environmental Facilities (the "Department") has advised that work under this project will include, but not be limited to, replacement of all tank mechanical collection equipment and mechanical support beams, replacement of the tank ring supports and rake drives, reconstruction or repair of all structural components and concrete surfaces on tank floors, walls, decks, and grating, all exposed rusting rebar, and the tank catwalks. The project will also include rehabilitation of erosion damage at secondary clarifiers and chlorine contact tanks, and the parapet walls on the roof of the main building.

Following bonding authorization, design will be scheduled and is anticipated to take twelve (12) months to complete and will be completed by consultants. It is estimated that construction will take twelve (12) months to complete and will begin after award and execution of the construction contracts, subject to your Honorable Board's approval of construction funding.

The Planning Department has advised that based on its review, the above-referenced capital project has been classified as a "Type II" action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR") and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617. Therefore, no further environmental review is required. As you know, your Honorable Board may use such expert advice to reach its own conclusion.

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Based on the importance of this project to the County, favorable action on the proposed Bond Act is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,

George Latimer County Executive

GL/VK/JB/jpg Attachments

## HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK

Your Committee is in receipt of a bond act (the "Bond Act") in the amount of \$2,510,000, which, if adopted by your Honorable Board, would authorize the County of Westchester ("County") to finance Capital Project SOS08 – Ossining WRRF Structural Rehabilitation ("SOS08").

The Bond Act, which was prepared by the law firm of Norton Rose Fulbright US, LLP, will fund design and construction management associated with the rehabilitation of the primary and secondary clarifier tanks at the Ossining Wastewater Resource Recovery Facility.

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The Planning Department has advised your Committee that based on its review, the above-referenced capital project has been classified as a Type "II" action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR") and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617. Therefore, no further environmental review is required. Your Committee has reviewed the annexed SEQR documentation and concurs with this conclusion.

It should be noted that an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of your Honorable Board is required in order to adopt the Bond Act. Your Committee recommends the adoption of the proposed Bond Act.

Dated: , 2023

White Plains, New York

**COMMITTEE ON** 

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### **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

CAPITAL PROJECT #	t:SOS08	NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED					
SECTION A - CAPITAL BUDGET IMPACT  To Be Completed by Budget							
GENERAL FUNI	D AIRPORT FUND	X SPECIAL DISTRICTS FUND					
	Source of County Funds (check one):	X Current Appropriations  Capital Budget Amendment					
	SECTION B - BONDING AU  To Be Completed by						
Total Principal	\$ 2,510,000 PPU	5 Anticipated Interest Rate 2.61%					
Anticipated Ar	nnual Cost (Principal and Interest):	\$ 547,610					
Total Debt Ser	vice (Annual Cost x Term):	\$ 2,738,050					
Finance Depar	tment: Interest rates from May 3, 20	23 Bond Buyer - ASBA					
s	ECTION C - IMPACT ON OPERATING BUD  To Be Completed by Submitting Department						
Potential Polar		ent and neviewed by budget					
Section 1	ted Expenses (Annual): \$	-					
	ted Revenues (Annual): \$						
SUBSCRIPTION OF SUPERIOR OF A SUPERIOR	vings to County and/or impact of departe etail for current and next four years):	ment operations					
	SECTION D - EMPLO						
As per federal guidelines, each \$92,000 of appropriation funds one FTE Job							
Number of Full	Time Equivalent (FTE) Jobs Funded:	27					
	SECTION E - EXPECTED DESIGN	WORK PROVIDER					
County Staff	X Consultant	Not Applicable					
Prepared by:	Joe Brown						
Title:	Capital Program Coordinator	Reviewed By:					
Department:	DEF	DV5/4/27 Budget Director					
Date:	5/3/23	Date: 5 4 23					



TO:

Michelle Greenbaum, Senior Assistant County Attorney

Jeffrey Goldman, Senior Assistant County Attorney Carla Chaves, Senior Assistant County Attorney

FROM:

David S. Kvinge, AICP, RLA, CFM

**Assistant Commissioner** 

DATE:

April 28, 2023

SUBJECT:

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW FOR CAPITAL PROJECT:

SOS08 OSSINING WRRF STRUCTURAL REHABILITATION

PROJECT/ACTION: Per Capital Project Fact Sheet as approved by the Planning Department on

04-06-2023 (Unique ID: 2128)

With respect to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations 6 NYCRR Part 617, the Planning Department recommends that no further environmental review is required for the proposed action, because the project or component of the project for which funding is requested may be classified as a **TYPE II action** pursuant to section(s):

• 617.5(c)(27): conducting concurrent environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning and budgetary processes necessary to the formulation of a proposal for action, provided those activities do not commit the agency to commence, engage in or approve such action.

**COMMENTS:** The current request is for design and construction management. However, funds for construction management will not be expended unless funding for construction is approved, which will be subject to further environmental review as may be required by SEQR.

#### DSK/dvw

cc: Andrew Ferris, Chief of Staff

Paula Friedman, Assistant to the County Executive

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ACT	NO.	 2023

BOND ACT DATED \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

A BOND ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,510,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK, TO PAY DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT COSTS FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE PRIMARY AND SECONDARY CLARIFIER TANKS AND CHLORINE CONTACT TANKS AT THE OSSINING WATER RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY'S OSSINING SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the capital project hereinafter described has been duly approved in the adopted capital budget for the current fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the plan for the financing of the estimated maximum cost of such capital project, as hereinafter set forth in this Bond Act, is in conformity with such capital budget; and

WHEREAS, all other conditions precedent to the financing of the capital project hereinafter described, including compliance with the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act to the extent required, have been performed; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to authorize the financing of the cost of such capital project allocable to the County's Ossining Sanitary Sewer District; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ENACTED, by the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York (the "County"), by the affirmative vote of not less than two thirds of the entire voting strength thereof, as follows:

Section 1. For paying the cost of design and construction management for the rehabilitation of the primary and secondary clarifier tanks and chlorine contact tanks at the Ossining Water Resource Recovery Facility, including incidental expenses in connection therewith, replacement of equipment and reconstruction or repair of catwalks, walls and decks, there are hereby authorized to be issued \$2,510,000 bonds of said County pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law. To the extent that the details of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes set

forth in this Bond Act are inconsistent with any details set forth in the current Capital Budget of the County, such Budget shall be deemed and is hereby amended to the extent inconsistent herewith.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the estimated maximum cost of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is \$2,510,000, and that the plan for the financing thereof is by the issuance of the \$2,510,000 bonds of said County authorized to be issued pursuant to this Bond Act.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is five years, pursuant to subdivision sixty-two of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Finance, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said Commissioner of Finance, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 5. The faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year. To the extent not paid from the assessment of properties assessable for this purpose in the County's Ossining Sanitary Sewer District, as allocated by the County, or other sources, there shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property of said County a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same become due and payable.

Section 6. Such bonds shall be in fully registered form and shall be signed in the name of the County by the manual or facsimile signature of the Commissioner of Finance and a facsimile

of the corporate seal shall be imprinted or impressed thereon and may be attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the County Clerk.

Section 7. The powers and duties of advertising such bonds for sale, conducting the sale and awarding the bonds, are hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Finance, who shall advertise such bonds for sale, conduct the sale, and award the bonds in such manner as said Commissioner of Finance shall deem best for the interests of the County; including, but not limited to, the power to sell said bonds to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation; provided, however, that in the exercise of these delegated powers, the Commissioner of Finance shall comply fully with the provisions of the Local Finance Law and any order or rule of the State Comptroller applicable to the sale of municipal bonds. The receipt of the Commissioner of Finance shall be a full acquittance to the purchaser of such bonds, who shall not be obliged to see to the application of the purchase money.

Section 8. The Commissioner of Finance is hereby further delegated the power to authorize the sale and issuance of the bonds authorized pursuant to this Bond Act (a) at a discount in the manner authorized by paragraphs e and f of Section 57.00 of the Local Finance Law, (b) at private sale pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Local Finance Law and any regulations of the New York State Comptroller appertaining thereto, including the private sale of bonds at a premium, (c) as capital appreciation bonds or term bonds at public sale or private sale pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Local Finance Law and any regulations of the New York State Comptroller appertaining thereto, and (d) at a variable rate of interest in the manner authorized by Section 54.90 of the Local Finance Law, including notes issued in anticipation thereof. The Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized to enter into such agreements as said Commissioner of Finance shall determine reasonable and necessary to facilitate the issuance, sale, resale and, or repurchase of such bonds or notes pursuant to the provisions of Section 54.90 of the Local Finance Law. Such bonds and, or notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said Commissioner of Finance.

Section 9. The power to issue and sell notes to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation pursuant to Section 169.00 of the Local Finance Law is hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Finance. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents as may be prescribed by said Commissioner of Finance consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 10. The Commissioner of Finance is hereby further authorized, at the sole discretion of the Commissioner of Finance, to execute a project financing and loan agreement, and any other agreements with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and/or the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation, including amendments thereto, and including any instruments (or amendments thereto) in the effectuation thereof, in order to effect the financing or refinancing of the class of objects or purposes described in Section 1 hereof, or a portion thereof, by a bond, and, or note issue of said County in the event of the sale of same to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation.

Section 11. The intent of this Bond Act is to give the Commissioner of Finance sufficient authority to execute those applications, agreements, instruments or to do any similar acts necessary to effect the issuance of the aforesaid bonds and, or notes without resorting to further action of this Board of Legislators.

Section 12. All other matters, except as provided herein relating to such bonds, including determining whether to issue such bonds having substantially level or declining annual debt service and all matters related thereto, prescribing whether manual or facsimile signatures shall appear on said bonds, prescribing the method for the recording of ownership of said bonds, appointing the fiscal agent or agents for said bonds, providing for the printing and delivery of said bonds (and if said bonds are to be executed in the name of the County by the facsimile signature of the Commissioner of Finance, providing for the manual countersignature of a fiscal agent or of a designated official of the County), the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, place or places of payment, and also including the consolidation with other issues, shall be

determined by the Commissioner of Finance. It is hereby determined that it is to the financial advantage of the County not to impose and collect from registered owners of such bonds any charges for mailing, shipping and insuring bonds transferred or exchanged by the fiscal agent, and, accordingly, pursuant to paragraph c of Section 70.00 of the Local Finance Law, no such charges shall be so collected by the fiscal agent. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals in addition to those required by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the Commissioner of Finance shall determine.

- Section 13. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:
  - (1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said County is not authorized to expend money, or
- (2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this Bond Act are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or
  - (3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.
- Section 14. This Bond Act shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150 2. Other than as specified in this Bond Act, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.
- Section 15. This Bond Act, which shall take effect immediately in accordance with the provisions of Section 33.10 of the Local Finance Law and as provided in Section 107.71 of the Westchester County Charter, shall be published in summary form in the official newspaper of said

County for purposes of this Bond Act, together with a notice of the Clerk of the Board of Legislators in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

The foregoing Bond Act was duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:
AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
j.
The Bond Act was thereupon declared duly adopted.
* * * *
APPROVED BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
Date:, 2023

STATE OF NEW YORK ) ) ss.: COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER )

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all members of said Board had due notice of said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that said meeting was (i) open to the general public pursuant to Section 103 of the Public Officers Law or (ii) conducted in conformance with Section 103-a of the Public Officers Law.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, <u>PRIOR</u> to the time of said meeting, I duly caused a public notice of the time and place of said meeting to be given to the following newspapers and/or other news media as follows:

Newspaper and/or Other News Media

Date Given

I FURTHER CERTIFY that <u>PRIOR</u> to the time of said meeting, I duly caused public notice of the time and place of said meeting to be conspicuously posted in the following designated public location(s) on the following dates:

Designated Location(s) of Posted Notice

Date of Posting

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I Board of Legislators on	have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County, 2023.
	Clerk of the County Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester, New York

(CORPORATE SEAL)

### LEGAL NOTICE

of Legislators on, 2023 and the be hereafter contested only if such which the County of Westchester, ir or if the provisions of law which sho this Notice were not substantially cauch validity is commenced within	which is published herewith, has been adopted by the Board, 2023 and approved by the County Executive on validity of the obligations authorized by such Bond Act may nobligations were authorized for an object or purpose for the State of New York, is not authorized to expend money uld have been complied with as of the date of publication of complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting twenty days after the publication of this Notice, or such ion of the provisions of the Constitution.
inspection during normal business h	nd Act summarized herewith shall be available for public tours at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Legislators of rk, for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of
ACT NO2023	
COUNTY OF WESTCHES CONSTRUCTION MANAGES PRIMARY AND SECONDAR TANKS AT THE OSSINING N	G THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,510,000 BONDS OF THE STER, NEW YORK, TO PAY DESIGN AND MENT COSTS FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE RY CLARIFIER TANKS AND CHLORINE CONTACT WATER RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY, IN AND SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT.
class of objects or purposes:	design and construction management costs for the rehabilitation of the primary and secondary clarifier tanks and chlorine contact tanks at the Ossining Water Resource Recovery Facility, including incidental expenses in connection therewith, replacement of equipment and reconstruction or repair of catwalks, walls and decks
period of probable usefulness:	five years
amount of obligations to be issued:	\$2,510,000
Dated:, 2023 White Plains, New York	
_	Clerk of the County Board of Legislators of the County of

### CAPITAL PROJECT FACT SHEET

Project ID:* SOS08	□ CE	BA			act Sheet 1-17-2023			
Fact Sheet Year:* 2023	OSSI	et Title:* NING WRRF STRI ABILITATION	JCTURA		egislativo , 9, 4,	District	tD:	
Category*	Depa	rtment:*		C	P Unique	: ID:		
SEWER AND WATER DISTRIC	TS ENV	RONMENTAL FA	CILITIES	3 2	128			
Overall Project Description								19
This project will fund the repair of base of the secondary clarifiers ar					epair of e	rosion dan	nage obse	rved at the
☐ Best Management Practices	□ En	ergy Efficiencies		×	] Infrastru	cture		
☐ Life Safety	□ Pro	ject Labor Agreem	ent		Revenue			
Security	□ Oth	ner						
FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PROG	RAM (in thous	ands)						
	Estimated Ultimate Total Cost	Appropriated	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Under Review
Gross	2,510	0	2,510	0	0	0	0	
Less Non-County Shares	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Net	2,510	0	2,510	0	0	0	0	
rehabilitation of crosion damage a building. Financing Plan for Current Rec		ittlers and citiotine	contact tai	iks, and ii	e parapet	wans on t	ne roor or	the main
Non-County Shares:	uesti	S 0						
Bonds/Notes:		2,510,000						
Cash:		0						
Total:		\$ 2,510,000						
SEQR Classification: TYPE II								
Amount Requested: 2,510,000								
Comments:								
Energy Efficiencies:								
Appropriation History:	V							
Year	Amount			Des	cription			
2023	2,510,00	00 DESIGN AND	CONSTRU	JCTION N	MANAGE	MENT		
Total Appropriation History: 2,510,000								
Total Financing History:								

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Recommended By:

Department of Planning

WBB4

04-06-2023

Department of Public Works

RJB4

Date

Date

04-07-2023

**Budget Department** 

DEV9

Date

04-10-2023

**Requesting Department** 

JWBA

Date

04-10-2023

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# OSSINING WRRF STRUCTURAL REHABILITATION (SOS08)

**User Department:** 

**Environmental Facilities** 

Managing Department(s):

Environmental Facilities ;

**Estimated Completion Date:** 

TBD

Planning Board Recommendation: Project approved in concept but subject to subsequent staff review.

### FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM (in thousands)

IVE YEAR CAPITAL P	KOGKAM (In thousands)							
	Est Ult Cost Appropriated	Exp / Obl	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Under Review
Gross	2,510		2,510					1. 1.
Non County Share								
Total	2,510		2,510					

### **Project Description**

This project will fund the repair of the primary and secondary clarifier catwalks and the repair of erosion damage observed at the base of the secondary clarifiers and chlorine contact tanks near the Hudson River.

### **Current Year Description**

The current year request funds design and construction.

Current '	Year	Financing	Plan
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Year	Bonds	Cash	Non County Shares	Total
2023	2,510,000			2,510,000

### **Impact on Operating Budget**

The impact on the District Operating Budget is the debt service associated with the issuance of bonds.