

# Hudson River Valley Greenway

# Hudson River Valley Greenway Annual Report 2015

At the end of 2015, the Hudson River Valley Ramble was honored by the New York State Outdoor Educators Association with an Environmental Impact Award. The award recognizes an individual or organization that influence environmental protection. We were pleased to accept the award on behalf of all of our partners whose

work we amplify through their participation in the Ramble.

The Ramble is one of the Greenway's greatest successes because it embraces the fundamental principle that influenced the creation of our organization 25 years ago and remains a guiding force to this day. It is the principle that environmental values and economic development can go hand in hand. Indeed, by helping our partners connect people with environmental and heritage resources, the Ramble cultivates more environmental and cultural stewards. What's more, this celebration of our valley and its resources generates more than \$21 million dollars in economic impact each year. The Greenway has awarded more than \$9.6 million to support over 770 grant projects that helped to plan communities, build trail connections, provide more public access, advance regional values in local projects, and connect people with the stories of the people and places that made the Hudson River Valley "the landscape that defined America."

Many studies have identified the connection between trail building and economic development in communities and regions. In 2016, we will undertake an analysis of the Hudson River Valley corridor to identify connections to complete the Greenway Trail from New York City to the Capital Region first envisioned 25 years ago. The study will provide a template for more specific feasibility studies, inform future capital projects, and guide investments made through our grant programs.

Over the past 25 years the Greenway has provided catalytic support for planning, trails and heritage development projects. We were supporting 'sustainability' before the term existed in the parlance of environmentalism and community development. Since our creation under the Greenway Act of 1991, the Greenway has awarded more than \$9.6 million to support over 770 grant projects that helped to plan communities, build trail connections, provide more public access, advance regional values in local projects, and connect people with the stories of the people and places that made the Hudson River Valley "the landscape that defined America."

This report includes a summary of our activities in 2015 and also summarizes the impact of the Hudson River Valley Greenway in our first 25 years.

Mark Castiglione Acting Executive Director January 2016

## Highlights from 25 years of Greenway

# 85% of municipalities Greenway Communities, 5 Greenway Compact Plans

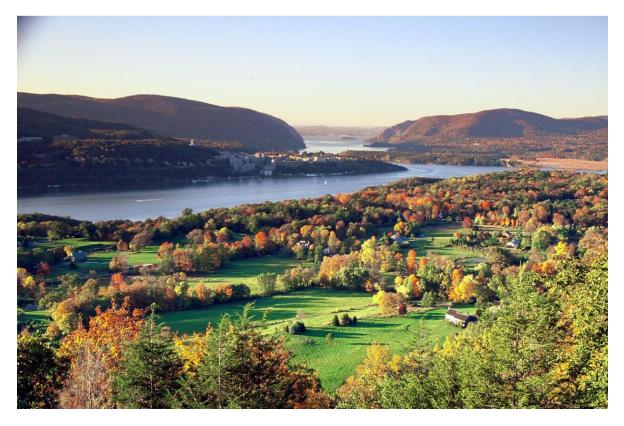
# 487 miles of designated Greenway Trails

256 mile long Hudson River Greenway Water Trail with 115 access points with launches every 10 miles or less on both side of the river and camping every 15 miles.

100 Affiliated sites within the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area

*\$9.6 million in grants awarded for 774 projects leveraging \$33.1 million in matching funds* 

- Community Planning and Zoning: 199 projects, \$2.37 million awarded
- Capital Improvements: 293 projects, \$2.4 million awarded
- Cultural Inventory and Resource Planning: 83 projects, \$742,553 awarded
- Natural Resource Planning: 111 projects, \$748,302 awarded
- Regional/Intermunicipal Planning: 48 projects, \$705,224 awarded
- Training/Education: 100 projects, \$513,821 awarded
- Waterfront Revitalization and Access: 69 projects, \$2.8 million awarded





### Hudson River Valley Greenway Trails

#### Greenway Water Trail Promotion/Trip Planning Project:

The Greenway has developed an interactive, smartphone optimized website and map series to support trip planning and recreation-based tourism related to the Hudson River Greenway Water Trail. A series of 4 map/guides are ready for production and posed for launch and distribution in spring 2016. This project is funded through a \$90,000 grant from Empire State Development to promote use of the Hudson River Greenway Water Trail. Sample map on right

Greenway Trail Gap Analysis: The Greenway began this project in 2015 to identify likely connections that would complete the trunk line north/south Greenway Trail route from New York City to the Capital region and beyond. The Greenway Trail route already includes more than 260 miles of designated "river side" trails which have been mapped. While the vision of the Greenway Trail still puts primacy on the river corridor and visual/ physical access to the River, the route identified through this project will likely take advantage of the opportunities presented by the various regional trail systems currently being planned and developed. Identifying practical and implementable connections/routes and alternatives will require the development of a methodology that will consider a variety of factors that take advantage of opportunities and minimize obstacles. The final elements of the project should also serve to inspire implementation by providing focus on strategic areas for trail connections, and inspiring potential public and private funders through compelling visualizations. The project is expected to be completed in the summer of 2016.



The Hudson River was one of the original "highways" used by Native Americans and continues to be a corridor of commerce to this day. This 61-mile section of the Water Trail features the Hudson Highlands, the widest part of the Hudson, Haverstraw Bay, and New York City,

















### **Hudson River** Valley Greenway

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# Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area

#### 16th Annual Hudson River Valley Ramble

Four beautiful weekends this September were filled with activities from hiking to kayaking to kite flying and more. This year's Ramble featured more than 200 events hosted by more than 160 partner organizations. We are especially grateful to all of our wonderful Ramble event leaders and organizations who have dedicated their time and effort to making this an exceptional event. Check out our <u>Facebook</u> to see more photos of the events.

#### Successes:

- -Website traffic up 43%
- -78% of website visitors were new users
- -Facebook 'likes' up 46%
- -Facebook posts reached over 400,000 people
- -Event satisfaction 4.85 out of 5
- -77% of Ramble partners reported

# Hudson River Valley Ramble Wins Environmental Impact Award

This year, the New York State Outdoor Education Association (NYSOEA) has recognized the Hudson River



Valley Ramble with a prestigious Environmental Impact Award for its role in supporting outdoor education while promoting outdoor recreation, community partnerships, and stewardship. The Hudson River Valley

Greenway/National Heritage Area was proud to accept this

tremendous honor on behalf of all the partner organizations and outdoor educators whose work we amplify through their participation in the Hudson River Valley Ramble.

**2015 Path Through History Weekends Grows by More Than 60%**: The Greenway again partnered with the Greater Hudson Heritage Network to manage day-to-day administrative and communication tasks for the event on behalf of I Love NY/Empire State Development. Their partnership and hard work contributed significantly to the growth of this state-wide event. The number of PTH Weekend events grew to more than 330 events, which represented a 60% increase over the same weekend last year. Learn more about the events at www.paththroughhistory.iloveny.com.







#### National Heritage Area Guidebook Re-print

The HRVNHA first published its "Heritage Site Guidebook" in 2010. The current update also includes a complete redesign of the guidebook. The newly designed layout is currently being edited and new guidebooks will be ready for purchase in spring 2016.

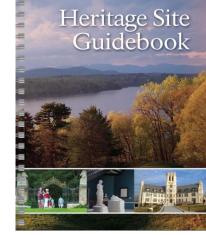
#### National Heritage Area Website Update

Over the last six years, the HRVNHA website has received nearly 250,000 visitors and over a million page views. Since its launch, technologies and media practices have changed dramatically and the website requires a complete overhaul in order to keep pace with ever-evolving technology. Greenway staff and our website

consultants have been working steadily on updates to <u>www.hudsonrivervalley.com</u>. Several drafts of the layout have

been reviewed and the consultants are in the process of building and coding the new site. The website will be mobile responsive and benefit from many new tools that will enhance the user experience. New website anticipated spring 2016.

Heritage Area Sponsors Inaugural Hudson Valley Heritage Fair and Presentation by Franklin Vangone



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The first-ever Hudson Valley Heritage Fair was a great success. The fair featured hands-on table displays of artifacts and living history presentations from a variety of organizations. Exhibitors included 27 Hudson Valley cultural organizations, including historical societies, historic sites, and tourism agencies. The Hudson Valley Heritage Fair was spearheaded by Dutchess County historian Will Tatum and is a joint project of the Mid-Hudson Valley Path Through History Workgroup, New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, the Greater Hudson Heritage Network, and the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area. The heritage fair was sponsored by Dutch Spirits and the Museum Association of New York.





#### Teaching the Hudson Valley (THV)

#### Explore Awards

The THV Explore Awards create opportunities for students to explore the history, environment, and culture of the Hudson River Valley by connecting their studies to significant places. Funds are awarded for day trips to places with cultural, historic, and/or natural significance throughout the Hudson Valley. This year so far 1,036 students from six counties visited sites in nine counties. The grants remaining will allow 649 students from five counties to visit sites in three counties.



#### 2015 Summer Institute

THV's place-based learning institutes are a unique professional development opportunity. Programs are interdisciplinary, mixing K-12 teachers with non-formal educators from parks, historic sites, and museums, plus regional experts. This year's Institute ran from July 28-30, with the theme "Teaching for Engagement in the Hudson Valley: The Next 100 Years Depend on It." The institute attracted 130 participants from varied backgrounds, including area schools, and environmental, historic site, and museum educators.

#### Writing About Place

Each year THV invites students to tell us about a place in the Hudson Valley that has special meaning for them, and submit their works to the Writing About Place contest. 26 elementary students, six middle school students, and 14 high school students submitted work for this year's contest. Winners were selected by members of our partner organizations, two published authors, and teachers from the Hudson Valley Writing Project. The prize was a field trip for the winners' whole class to the site they selected to write about. This year, nine of the poems and essays were published on THV's blog.

#### Other Successes in 2015

THV added more than 400 new contacts to email lists, approximately 110 friends on their Facebook page, and added two new members to THVIPS, our informal group of advisors. THV joined Friends of the Old Croton Aqueduct to offer two walking tours designed with educators in mind.

#### National Park Service Washington-Rochambeau NHT Waysides Unveiled





Hudson River Valley Greenway In September, National Park Service Wayside exhibits were delivered to 15 locations throughout the lower Hudson Valley, marking their significance on the Washington-Rochambeau National Historic Trail. The Route is one of the newest National Historic Trails in the nation and marks the route the Continental Army and allied French forces traveled from Rhode Island to the final victory over the British at Yorktown, Virginia during the American War of Independence.

On Saturday, September 19th, as part of the 6th Annual Revolutionary War Weekend event, the Fishkill Historical Society (FHS) and Friends of the Fishkill Supply Depot (FOFSD) unveiled the display panels marking the Fishkill Supply Depot site's inclusion in the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route National Historic Trail. Research has uncovered Fishkill's clear connection to the French forces that served in the Revolution. (Picture: 6th Annual Revolutionary War Weekend at Fishkill Supply Depot in NY) Credit: Marilyn Gabriel

#### **History Happy Hour**

The Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area sponsored and helped to develop History Happy Hours at the Albany Institute on May 14<sup>th</sup> and at Schuyler Mansion State Historic Site on September 24th. History Happy Hour invites history enthusiasts to socialize and experience history in a new and fun way. History Happy Hour is an outgrowth of the city of Albany's volunteer heritage tourism initiative, convened by Mayor Kathy Sheehan. Community leaders and a variety of stakeholder organizations, historians and tourism professionals are represented on the initiative's committees, which work to cultivate a community to support heritage tourism in the city and introduce Albany's historic resources to new audiences. The idea is expanding within Albany and throughout the National Heritage Area



#### New Public Access at Nutten Hook Unique Area

On June 19<sup>th</sup>, officials from the Hudson River Valley Greenway, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and the Town of Stuyvesant were joined by community

members and dignitaries to announce new public access and public amenities at the Nutten Hook Unique area in Columbia County. Site improvements include two new picnic areas, gravel parking areas, and an informational kiosk. Other improvements to be completed later this year include an ADA accessible pathway and a kayak launch. The site is also the latest addition to the 256-mile Hudson River Greenway Water Trail. The Nutten Hook Unique Area is part of the larger Stockport Flats area, which includes a fivemile length of Hudson River shoreline



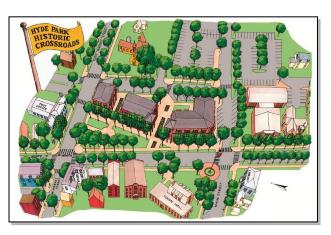


dominated by freshwater tidal wetlands. For more on this story, please see these articles by the <u>Register-Star</u> and the <u>Times Union</u>.

# **Grant Programs**

#### Hudson River Valley Greenway Grant Program

The Greenway awarded more than \$153,000 funding twenty community and intermunicpal projects in 2015. Projects ranged from community planning, economic development projects, resource inventories and public access projects. These small catalytic grants continue to help transform communities. Eight Greenway Grants were completed in 2015.



#### National Heritage Area- Heritage Development Grants

The HRVNHA 2015 Heritage Development Grants were announced at events in April and June. On June 5, Congressman Paul Tonko, Albany Mayor Kathy Sheehan, Assemblywoman Patricia Fahy, and Assemblyman John T. McDonald III joined partner organizations at historic Ten Broeck Mansion in Albany to announce seven Heritage Development Grant awards totaling more than \$28,000 For complete coverage with photos, please see this *Times Union* <u>article</u>. The Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area press release is available <u>here</u>.



On April 27th, Congresswoman Nita Lowey joined partners at an event to announce seven Heritage Development Grant awards to local historic and cultural institutions. More than \$30,000 was awarded to organizations in support of a variety of educational and interpretive programs

that will showcase the area's history and contribute to the regional heritage tourism economy.

In addition, six Heritage Development Grant projects were completed in 2015.

#### Greenway Conservancy Trail Grant Program

The Hudson River Valley Greenway awarded \$69,245 in matching grants to 11 projects that will develop and enhance the Hudson River





Hudson River Valley Greenway Valley Greenway Trail. These trail development projects translate into construction, engineering, planning, and tourism jobs. In addition, five Conservancy grant projects were completed in 2015.

Grant Type	Community/ Organization	Project	Grant Awarded	Match	Award Date	Completio n Date
Conservancy Trail	Village of Piermont	Restoration of the Southern Section of the Erie Path	\$10,000.00	\$16,443.00	1/20/2011	1/6/2015
Conservancy Trail	Hudson Crossing Park, Inc.	Enhancements to Hudson Riverwalk Sensory Trail & Canoe/Kayak Launch	\$5,000.00	\$14,381.00	10/17/2012	9/4/2015
Conservancy Trail	New Baltimore Conservancy	Interpretive Signs for New Riverside Park in New Baltimore	\$1,759.00	\$1,760.00	10/16/2013	11/24/2015
Conservancy Trail	Palisades Parks Conservancy	Tallman Mountain State Park Biodiversity Trail	\$2,945.63	\$9,804.37	10/16/2013	11/24/2015
Conservancy Trail	Rensselaer Plateau Alliance	Rensselaer Plateau Regional Trails Vision	\$8,384.00	\$31,616.00	3/19/2014	11/24/2015
Council Compact	County of Orange	Hudson Valley Online Community Design Manual	\$12,500.00	\$27,500.00	9/30/2013	5/4/2015
Council Planning	Town of New Castle	Public Outreach & Education for the New Castle Comprehensive Plan Update	\$6,000.00	\$14,000.00	1/25/2013	3/5/2015
Council Planning	Town of Hyde Park	Development of a vibrant town center in Hyde Park	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00	6/7/2012	3/19/2015
Council Planning	Village of Nyack	Nyack Green Village Action Plan	\$5,000.00	\$14,858.00	1/29/2014	5/4/2015
Council Planning	Town of Clarkstown	The Rockland Farm Alliance Farmland Expansion Program	\$9,000.00	\$135,718.00	1/29/2014	8/6/2015
Council Planning	Village of Voorheesville	Village of Voorheesville Main Street Renaissance Project: main street master plan	\$8,500.00	\$12,700.00	10/8/2014	9/25/2015
Council Planning	City of Beacon	Beacon Main Street and Waterfront Linkage Area Development Plan	\$5,000.00	\$6,320.00	10/12/2011	10/16/2015
Council Planning	City of Kingston	Midtown Cultural Resources Survey & Interpretive Planning Project	\$15,000.00	\$15,852.00	7/1/2008	11/16/2015
NHA	Friends of John Jay Homestead	Rehabilitate, furnish and open to the public a historic summer kitchen focusing on the back story highlighting the lives of the servants and slaves.	\$4,700.00	\$7,704.36	3/26/2010	4/1/2015

# 19 Matching Grants Completed in 2015



NHA	Town of Hyde Park	Walking Tour of Hyde Park Historic District	\$2,484.53	\$2,515.47	3/28/2014	8/6/2015
NHA	Putnam History Museum	West Point Foundry Exhibition	\$5,000.00	\$25,000.00	3/28/2014	8/14/2015
NHA	Albany Institute for History & Art	Making of the Hudson River School online exhibition project	\$3,326.00	\$3,326.00	3/28/2014	9/1/2015
NHA	Thomas Cole National Historic Site	2014 Exhibition, "Master, Mentor, Master: Thomas Cole & Frederic Church"	\$5,000.00	\$83,500.00	3/28/2014	5/16/2015
NHA	The Olana Partnership	River Crossings: Contemporary Art Comes Home	\$4,000.00	\$458,118.00	3/11/2015	11/24/2015
		Total:	\$123,599.16	\$901,116.20		

# 45 Matching Grants Awarded in 2015

Grant Type	Community/ Organization	Project	Grant Awarded	Match	Award Date
Conservancy Trail	Town of Fishkill	Wappinger to Beacon Trail	\$10,000.00	\$50,000.00	10/14/2015
Conservancy Trail	Town of Saratoga	Old Champlain Canal Basin Trailhead	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	10/14/2015
Conservancy Trail	Wallkill Valley Rail Trail Association	Nature, History & Community Along the Trail	\$10,000.00	\$28,618.00	10/14/2015
Conservancy Trail	Teatown Lake Reservation	Kitchawan Bridge Repair	\$1,795.00	\$3,091.58	10/14/2015
Conservancy Trail	Town of Wilton	Open Space, Recreation and Pathways Plan	\$5,000.00	\$11,500.00	10/14/2015
Conservancy Trail	The Palisades Park Conservancy, Inc.	Improving the Silver Stream Trail at Knox's Headquarters State Historic Site	\$3,250.00	\$9,250.00	10/14/2015
Conservancy Trail	Village of South Nyack	Erie Railroad Greenway Trail Signs	\$5,200.00	\$14,200.00	10/14/2015
Conservancy Trail	D&H Canal Historical Society, Inc.	Reset-repair Bridge on 5 Lock Walk	\$7,500.00	\$15,500.00	10/14/2015
Conservancy Trail	Town of Marlborough	Milton Landing Park: Connecting Woodland Trail Upper Park to Waterfront	\$4,000.00	\$6,560.00	10/14/2015
Conservancy Trail	Village of New Paltz	Mill Brook Preserve Trail Access Enhancements	\$5,000.00	\$663,035.00	10/14/2015
Conservancy Trail	Town of Yorktown	Yorktown Trailway to FDR State Park	\$7,500.00	\$432,500.00	10/14/2015



Greenway Compact	Village of Tarrytown	Tarrytown Station and Waterfront Transit Oriented Development	\$15,000.00	\$25,000.00	6/10/2015
Greenway Community	Town of North Greenbush	Design Guidelines	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	1/13/2015
Greenway Community	City of Cohoes	Visitor Center Revitalization	\$7,500.00	\$92,500.00	1/13/2015
Greenway Community	Village of Kinderhook	Village of Kinderhook Comprehensive Plan Update	\$8,460.00	\$8,460.00	1/13/2015
Greenway Community	Village of Green Island	The Black Bridge Rail Trail Connection Project	\$7,500.00	\$436,500.00	1/13/2015
Greenway Community	Town of Clinton	Revision of Zoning Law	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	3/11/2015
Greenway Community	City of Newburgh	Reactivating Vacant Lots in Newburgh	\$7,500.00	\$9,700.00	3/11/2015
Greenway Community	Village of Cold Spring	Village of Cold Spring Code Update	\$10,000.00	\$103,750.00	3/11/2015
Greenway Community	County of Albany	Lawson Lake Barn Rehabilitation	\$5,000.00	\$6,919.68	6/10/2015
Greenway Community	Town of Sand Lake	Rensselaer Plateau Greenway Communities Signage Project	\$5,000.00	\$8,500.00	6/10/2015
Greenway Community	Town of Somers	Somers Complete Streets Project	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	6/10/2015
Greenway Community	City of Hudson	GIS-Based Natural Resource and Open Space Inventory	\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00	10/14/2015
Greenway Community	City of Port Jervis	Hudson Valley Main Streets: Economic Development Strategies	\$7,500.00	\$22,737.50	10/14/2015
Greenway Community	Town of Gallatin	Gallatin Geographic Information System Project	\$6,284.00	\$8,684.00	10/14/2015
Greenway Community	Town of Germantown	Town of Germantown Comprehensive Plan Update	\$5,000.00	\$15,000.00	10/14/2015
Greenway Community	Town of Waterford	Town of Waterford Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code Update	\$5,000.00	\$46,100.00	10/14/2015
Greenway Community	Village of Voorheesville	Voorheesville Wayfinding and Signage Project	\$7,500.00	\$12,500.00	10/14/2015
Greenway Community	Town of Hyde Park	Zoning Updates to Refine Scenic Overlay and Introduce Adaptive Reuse Opportunities	\$7,500.00	\$12,500.00	10/14/2015



		Totals:	\$282,993.00	\$3,286,552.92	
NHA	Albany Institute of History & Art	Top 50: The Story of the Capital Region	\$4,000.00	\$196,179.00	9/1/2015
NHA	Friends of Clermont	Harvesting History and the Community Garden at Clermont	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00	3/11/2015
NHA	Friends of the Landscape and Arboretum Program at Bard College	Proposal for Blithewood Garden Interpretive Materials	\$2,414.00	\$7,586.00	3/11/2015
NHA	Walkill River School	Art/History Trail	\$8,500.00	\$21,500.00	3/11/2015
NHA	Thomas Cole Historic House	Reinventing the Interpretation of Thomas Cole's Home	\$5,000.00	\$405,000.00	3/11/2015
NHA	Shaker Heritage Society	Interpreting the Watervliet Shaker Community	\$4,000.00	\$7,424.00	3/11/2015
NHA	Palisades Parks Conservancy, Inc.	Interpreting the Tower of Victory at Washington's Headquarters SHS	\$2,226.00	\$3,420.00	3/11/2015
NHA	National Maritime Historical Society	Sea History's Guide to Maritime Programs & Cultural Sites	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	3/11/2015
NHA	Mount Guilan Historic Site	James F. Brown Day: A Celebration of Freedom	\$2,414.00	\$13,602.35	3/11/2015
NHA	Lyndhurst	Interpretive Signage	\$1,250.00	\$1,252.86	3/11/2015
NHA	City of Beacon	City of Beacon Heritage Site Mapping and Signage Project	\$8,500.00	\$11,500.00	3/11/2015
NHA	Friends of John Jay Homestead	Red Barn Discovery Center	\$4,000.00	\$16,664.95	3/11/2015
NHA	Albany County Historical Association	Albany County History Web Interchange	\$4,000.00	\$6,000.00	3/11/2015
NHA	The Olana Partnership	River Crossings: Contemporary Art Comes Home	\$4,000.00	\$458,118.00	3/11/2015
Greenway Community	Village of Ellenville	Downtown Revitalization Plan - Center St. & Market St.	\$7,500.00	\$19,000.00	10/14/2015
Greenway Community	Town of Salem	Salem Main Street Renaissance Project	\$7,500.00	\$17,500.00	10/14/2015



#### 2015 News from the Boards

#### Vincent Alteri Appointed Rockland Representative to Greenway Council:

Mr. Alteri is the Executive Director of the Rockland County Drainage Agency and was appointed to the Greenway Council by Rockland County Executive Ed Day in May. Appointed in 2011 to head the RCDA, Vincent oversees a variety of agency activities including enforcement actions as to violations, construction stabilization projects along banks of streams, removal of obstructions that may cause flooding, obtaining funding from F.E.M.A. for eligible grants, and working with Army Corp. of Engineers and NYSDEC as to permits. Vincent supervises a staff of six and manages a capital budget of \$49 million.

#### Jayne McLaughlin Named to Greenway Conservancy Board

Jayne McLaughlin began her career at New York State Parks in 1978 as Assistant Director of the Young Adult Conservation Corps at Allegany State Park. From there, she held park manager and director positions throughout the state park system. Since 2004, Ms. McLaughlin has served as the Deputy General Manager for the Palisades Interstate Park Commission. From 1998 to 2004 she served as Taconic Regional Director, a position she returned to in 2008 for two years. She then served as Senior Advisor from October 2010 to August 2011. Throughout her accomplished career at State Parks, Jayne has been responsible for some of the largest parks in the state system, including Letchworth State Park, Allegany State Park and Franklin Delano Roosevelt State Park. McLaughlin holds a BA in Biological Sciences and a MA in Science Education, both from Cornell University. Janye also serves on the executive board of Walkway Over the Hudson. She was appointed by the Assembly Minority Leader.

#### Victor Gielisse Appointed Dutchess County Greenway Council representative.

Dr. Victor Gielisse was appointed by Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro in December 2014 to replace Clara Lou Gould Dutchess County's Greenway Council representative. Dr. Gielisse is vice president of advancement & business development at The Culinary Institute of America (CIA). Chef Gielisse's responsibilities include all of the college's alumni relations and fund-raising initiatives as well as stewarding the CIA's relationship within the foodservice industry, including business development, consulting, custom training programs, industry outreach, licensing programming, and donor support opportunities. See more <u>here</u>.

#### Betty Head Appointed Albany County Greenway Communities Council

Betty Head has been appointed to the Albany County Greenway Communities Council. She is also a volunteer organizer for the local branch of activism website moveon.org.



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Mark Castiglione, Acting Executive Director

