Local Law

The local law approved by the Town Board for the Town of Constantia and filed with New York State establishes rules for the operation of the water system. The full law can be viewed at the Town offices.

EDU Assessments

An EDU is defined as an equivalent dwelling unit. An EDU is an assessment used by the Town of Constantia to establish unit charges that are applicable to you, the property owner.

A single family household will be charged (1) EDU while a buildable vacant lot will be charged 0.5 EDU. Other charges for properties such as apartments, campgrounds, commercial land and restaurants are additional charges. The full list of EDU assessments is available with the Town Clerk.

New Lateral Connection

The cost of hooking-up to sewer on a property with an existing building within the sewer district to the curb-stop where the sewer main is located is included in the total contract price. There is no connection cost to the homeowner! This includes all work required to provide access to public sewer throughout the duration of the project.

After the project ends, connection fees and other fees may apply.



Schedule of Fees

Debt service for the construction of the system will be assessed on property taxes on an Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) basis, similar to the water systems.

Sewer bills will be sent to all users which will pay for sewer treatment, operational costs and system reserves.

Billing will be a flat rate based on EDU's for each property.

It is the property owner's responsibility to know and abide by all specifications required by the Town of Constantia including but not limited to the Local Law for operating the sewer system, sewer rates, bill schedule, late fees and other penalties.

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Constantia-Bernhards Bay Sewer District



The Town of Constantia is providing this brochure for your information concerning the new Constantia-Bernhards Bay Sewer District. We understand that there are many questions and concerns regarding the district, and although this brochure cannot answer every question, it is our hope that this is a useful tool for you.

Constantia-Bernhards Bay Sewer District

What

A new sewer district consisting of more than 24 miles of low-pressure main, two pump stations, sewer collection system including individual grinder pumps, and improvements to the Village of Cleveland wastewater treatment plant (WWTP).

Who

The project would provide sewer collection to more than 1000 properties within the Town of Constantia along the North shore of Oneida Lake.

Where

The sewer main begins on NYS Route
49 at the eastern border of the Town of
Constantia. It generally continues east
along NYS Route 49 to the Village of
Cleveland where it continues along
Martin Road and the Oswego County
Rail Trail to the Village of Cleveland
WWTP. Other roads included include
Lower Road, West Road, Doris Park
Drive and side roads, Frederick Street,
Redfield Street, County Route 23,
Kibble Lakes Road, Hatchery Road,
Tannery Road, Knapp Road, and smaller
roads along north shore of Oneida Lake.

When

Year	Project Step
2022	Home Inspections for Grinder Pumps
	Wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) in design
2023	Construction begins on WWTP
	Design begins on Sewer System including sewer mains and grinder pumps
2024	Construction ends on WWTP
	Construction Begins on Sewer System
2025	Construction Ends on Sewer System and Grinder Pumps Project Completion



How

The total project will cost \$39 million to design and construct. The Town Board has successfully pursued and secured grants for the project which reduces the overall user costs. Funding will consist of:

Grants

\$5 million NYS Water Infrastructure Improvement (WIIA) Grant

\$4.6 million NYSDEC Water Quality Improvement (WQIP) Grant

\$3 million USDA Rural Development
Grant

Loans

\$20 million NYSEFC Hardship Interest Free Loan (0% interest)

\$6.4 million USDA Rural Development Poverty Rate Loan (1.125% interest)

More project information, including Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) can be found on the Town website at www.constantiaNY.org/waste-water-project

For any questions or concerns, please contact:

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