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## O'Mara: Sign up for emergency preparedness training on July 12th in Hornell

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**Hornell, N.Y., July 9**—State Senator Tom O'Mara (R,C-Big Flats) reminded area residents today that the online registration process is underway for a state-sponsored "Citizen Preparedness Corps Training Program" at Hornell High School on Saturday, July 12, 2014.

The program is free of charge but participants must complete the online registration prior to the event. According to the office of Governor Andrew Cuomo, registration is limited and will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

"Our region has been hard hit in recent years by Hurricane Irene and other severe storms, floods and emergencies, including the most recent devastation in Yates County," said O'Mara.

“That’s been true across the state and, as a result, this emergency preparedness and response initiative has proven very popular and worthwhile.”

The Cuomo administration launched the Citizen Preparedness Corps Training Program in February with the goal of training 100,000 New Yorkers “to be first responders in their own homes and in their communities.” The program seeks to provide citizens with tools and resources to help them better prepare for and respond to emergencies and disasters.

Regional training programs have already been held in Horseheads and Ithaca.

The Saturday, July 12th Citizen Preparedness Corps Training Program in Hornell will be held in the Hornell High School Auditorium (134 Seneca Street) from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The two-hour session is free of charge and participants will receive a NYS Disaster Preparedness Kit containing items that emergency response experts believe are critical to have handy in the immediate aftermath of any disaster or emergency.

For additional information and to register online for the July 12th training program, visit <http://prepare.ny.gov/training-events>