

1.10.20 - Senator Akshar, Supervisor Marinaccio announce funding for water infrastructure improvements in the Town of Dickinson

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(DICKINSON, N.Y.) — Senator Fred Akshar and Town of Dickinson Supervisor Mike Marinaccio on Friday joined town officials to announce funding to replace and improve important water infrastructure in the Town of Dickinson.

This past August, the Town of Dickinson experienced 15 water breaks over a three week

period due to failing infrastructure, leading to road erosion and interruptions to town residents' water supplies.

While the Town was able to replace over 1,000 feet of pipe through ongoing infrastructure improvements, the additional funding will help replace over 6,600 additional feet of piping in need of replacement without raising taxes or water rates to residents.

Senator Akshar was able to secure \$1,000,000 in funding through the NYS Department of Health toward the project.

"Clean, dependable water and good infrastructure are essential for communities to thrive and grow," said Senator Fred Akshar. "Supervisor Marinaccio and local town officials approached us with this need and my team and I worked to find the resources to help them complete their project. We're proud to play a small part in helping replace aging infrastructure and keep costs down for local residents.

"The Town of Dickinson is extremely grateful to Senator Akshar and his staff for their work in making this grant become a reality," said Supervisor Michael Marinaccio. "This is a major water line replacement project and this grant was essential for its completion."

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- Town of Campbell -- \$2,731,277
- Village of Canisto -- \$3,000,000

- Elmira Water Board -- \$3,000,000
- Village of Horseheads -- \$3,000,000
- Village of Owego -- \$175,000
- Village of Walton -- \$1,200,000
- Village of Waverly -- \$3,000,000