

Seneca Lake Area Partners in Five Counties (SLAP-5) was formed July 3, 1996 as area mayors, supervisors, state legislators, county agency staff and others pledged to work together:

To develop a watershed management plan for Seneca Lake that will protect and improve water quality and is supported by the citizens and communities in the watershed.

To provide representation of all important sectors in the Seneca Lake Watershed and to keep in contact with people in their areas of expertise to ensure the watershed program reflects and responds to the people represented.

Since 1998, SLAP-5 has met frequently, alternating meeting sites between Geneva and Montour Falls. Meetings are scheduled on the first Monday of the month at 10:00 a.m.

SLAP-5 members pursue funding for a range of planning and implementation projects to protect and improve water quality in Seneca Lake. Contact any of the members listed in this brochure for more information.

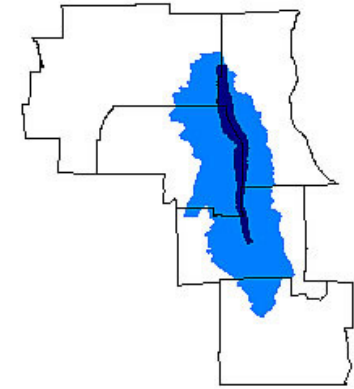


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**SENECA LAKE AREA
PARTNERS
IN 5 COUNTIES**

SLAP-5

**Municipalities
Private Citizens
And Public Agencies
Working together
To protect
Seneca Lake**

Seneca Lake is the economic engine that powers this area of the Finger Lakes.

Protecting the water quality of Seneca Lake protects the quality of life for residents and the economic viability of the region.

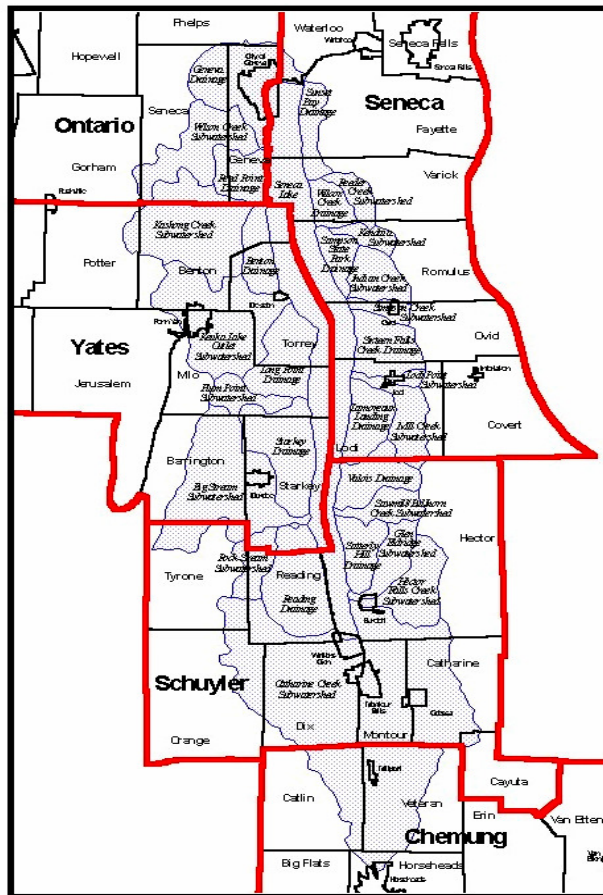
The quality of water in Seneca Lake affects:

- Drinking water supplies for 80,000 people
- Property values
- Tourism
- Recreational opportunities
- Sustainable communities
- Agricultural enterprises



Threats to water quality include :

- Stormwater runoff from construction and development
- Agricultural runoff
- Onsite wastewater (septic) systems
- Runoff from urban areas
- Industrial and commercial activities
- Fertilizers and pesticides



Seneca Lake Facts:

- Area: 67.7 square miles
- Watershed Area: 707 Square miles
- Location: Chemung, Ontario, Schuyler Seneca and Yates Counties

Land Uses:

- 42% Active agricultural land
- 17% Non-active ag land
- 3 % Residential
- 40% Forest
- 1% Other

Growing enterprises:

- Tourism
- Vineyards
- Animal agriculture

SLAP-5 invites your participation in focusing efforts and attention to protection of Seneca Lake.

Member Agencies:

- Finger Lakes Institute
- Hobart and William Smith Colleges
- Genesee –Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council
- Southern Tier Central Regional Planning and Development Board
- Chemung County Soil and Water Conservation District
- Ontario County Soil and Water Conservation District
- Schuyler County Soil and Water Conservation District
- Seneca County Soil and Water Conservation District
- Yates County Soil and Water Conservation District
- Ontario County Water Resources Council
- Seneca County Planning Department
- Schuyler County Watershed Protection Agency
- Cornell Cooperative Extension of Schuyler County
- Keuka Lake Watershed Improvement Program