

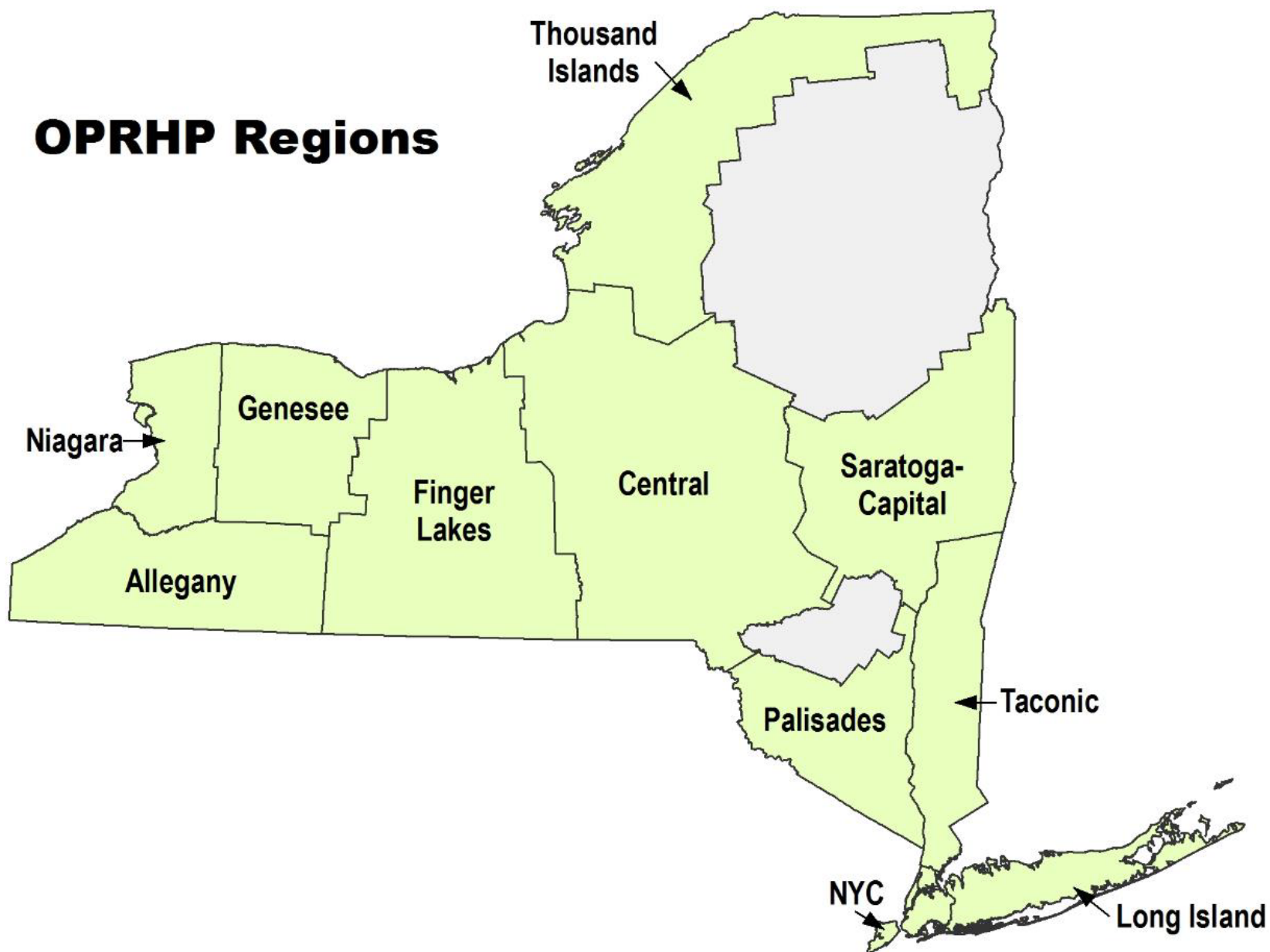


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Division of Environmental Stewardship and Planning

2022 PTNY Friends Group Conferences

OPRHP Regions



Note: State land in the Adirondacks and the Catskills is overseen by the Department of Environmental Conservation.

We Have...

Statewide:

- 11 Regions
- 180 Parks
- 35 Historic Sites
- 67 Marine Facilities & Boat Launches
- Over 80 Beaches & Pools
- 29 Golf Courses
- Over 800 Rental Cabins
- Over 8,500 Campsites
- Over 1,650 Miles of Trails
- 24 Nature Centers
- 78 million Visitors in 2021

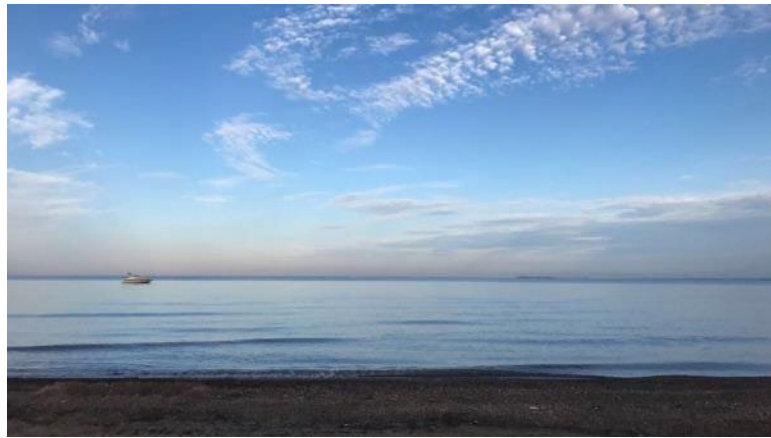


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We Have...

Statewide:

- 180 Parks and 35 Historic Sites
- 350,000 acres
- 90% is natural
- Over 360 known rare species and natural communities



Work Locations

- Albany
 - Parks' central office
 - DESP staff work statewide
- Regions
 - Environmental staff work in the parks and sites
 - Implement stewardship projects
 - Work with regional and park staff on day to day issues
 - Work with researchers and scientists
- NY Natural Heritage Program
 - Partner with Parks to provide rare species and community inventories and guidance



DESP's Program Areas

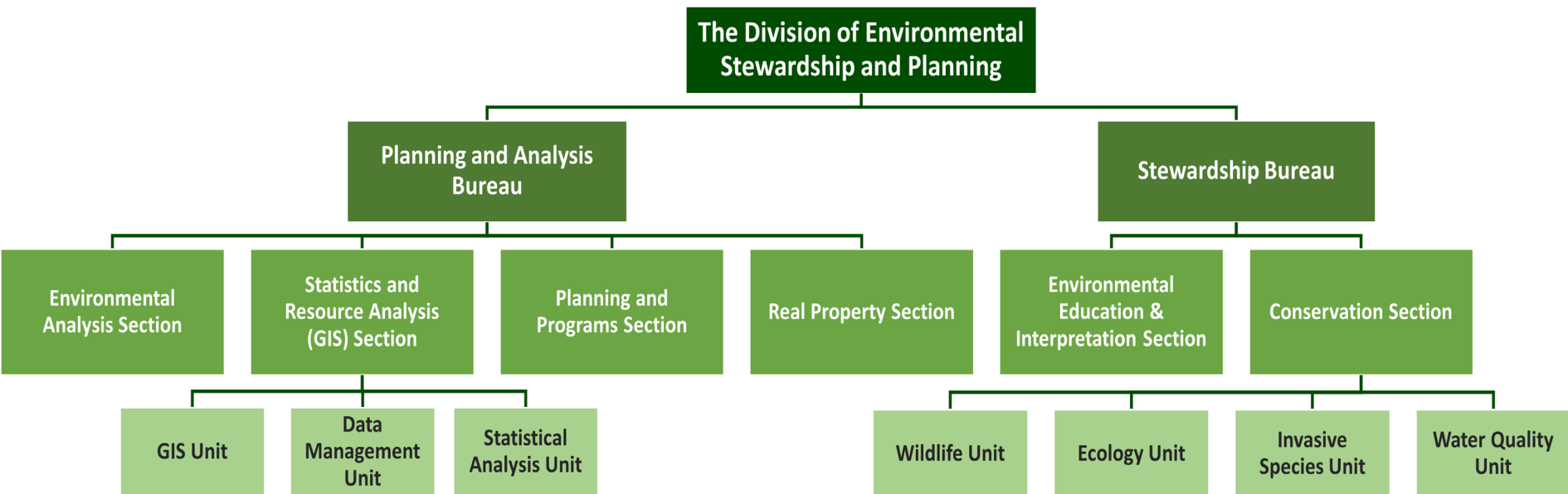
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- Planning & Programs
 - Trails, LWCF
- Environmental Analysis
- Statistics & Resource Analysis (GIS)
- Real Property

Stewardship

- Conservation
 - Ecology, Invasives, Water Quality, Wildlife
- Environmental Education and Interpretation
 - Park Corps, ECC, Connect Kids





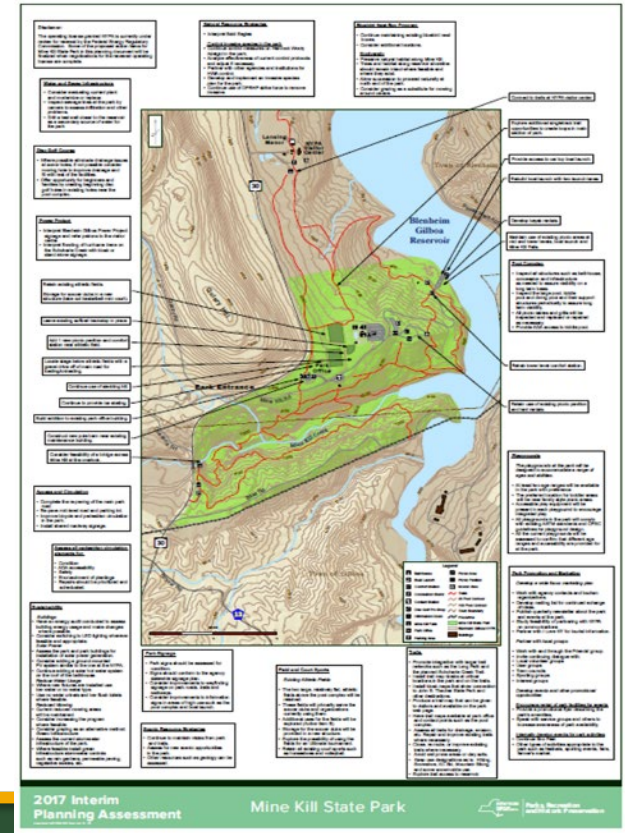
Planning & Programs

Taconic State Park Draft Master Plan

**Draft Master Plan for
Taconic State Park**
Columbia and Dutchess Counties
Towns of Copake, Ancram, and Northeast, NY
August 2, 2017



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Statistics & Resource Analysis (GIS)

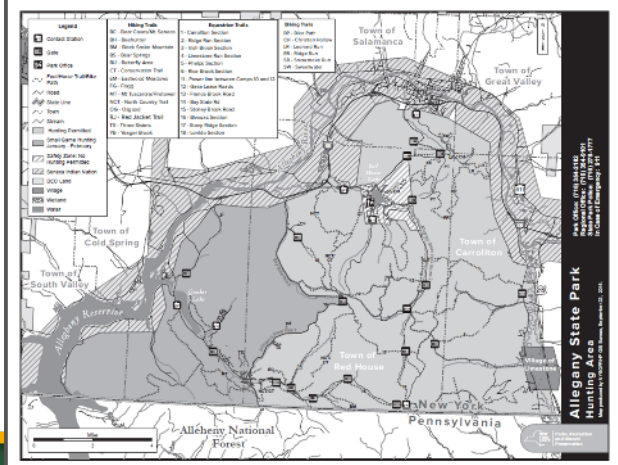
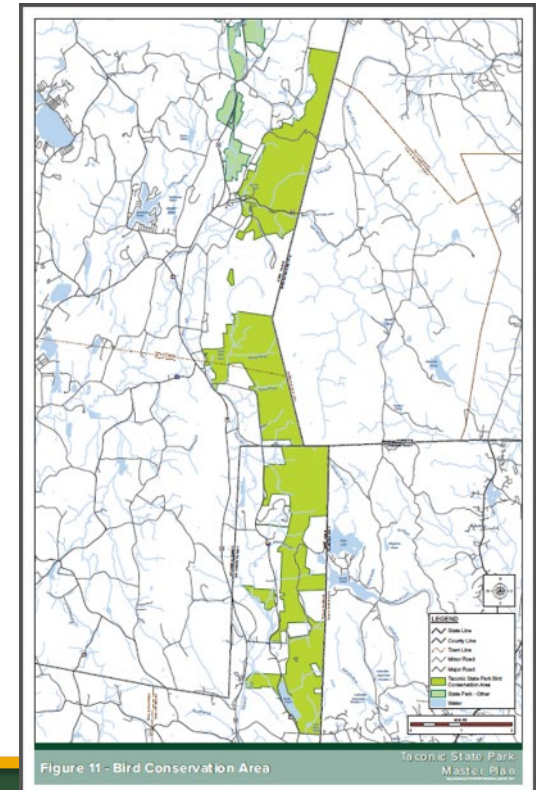
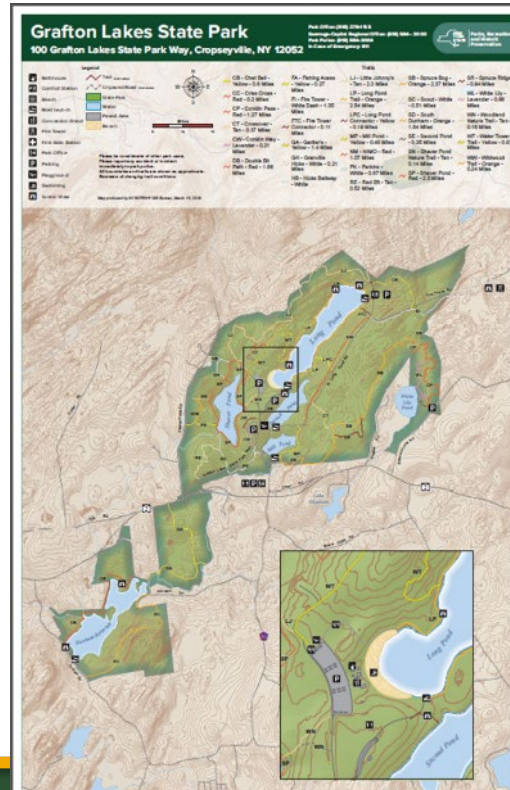
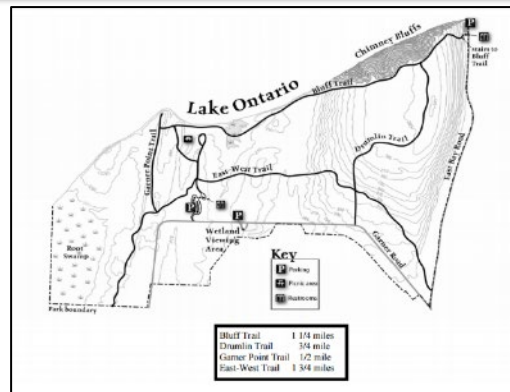
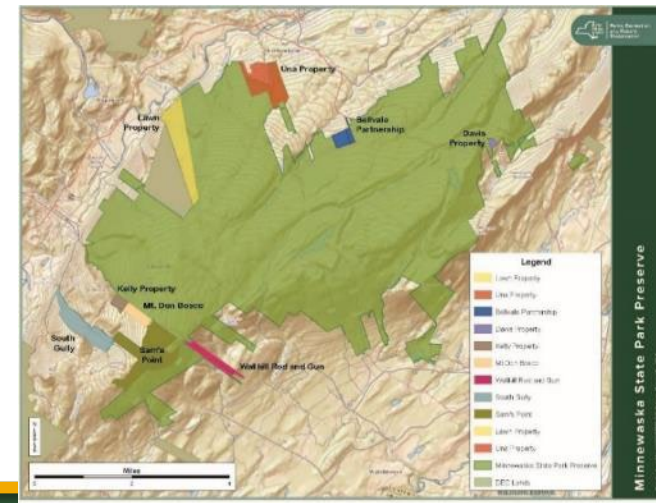
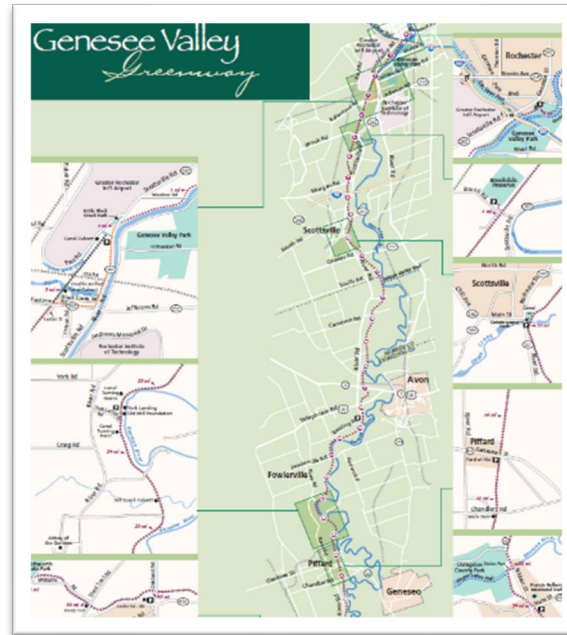
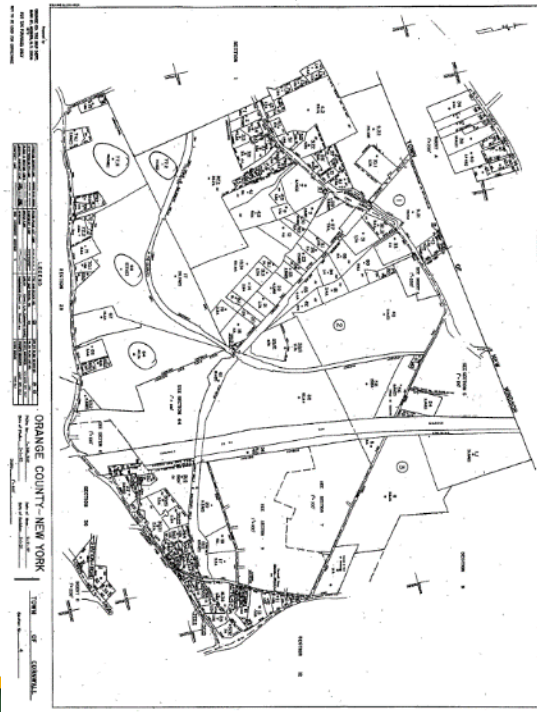


Figure 11 - Bird Conservation Area



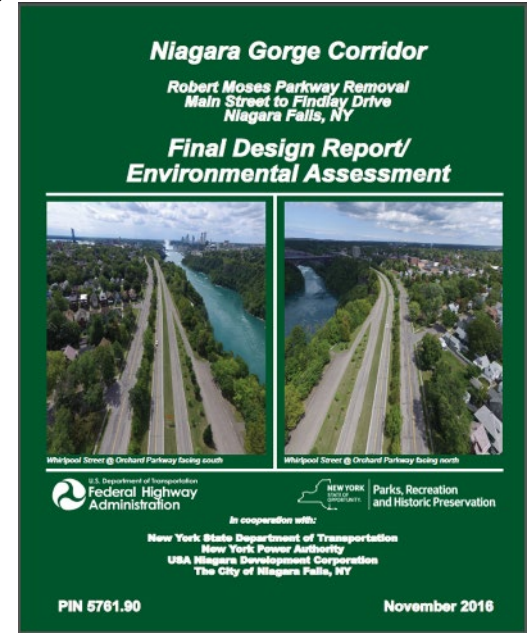
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Real Property



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Environmental Analysis



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What is SEQR?

- State Environmental Quality Review Act
- Incorporate the consideration of environmental factors into an agency's decision making process at the earliest possible time



Considerations

- Extent of physical disturbance
- Timing
- Wetlands and waterbodies
- Rare, threatened, or endangered species and associated habitats
- Erosion, flooding, or drainage
- Hazards to human health
- Historic resources
- Much more!



NY Natural Heritage Program

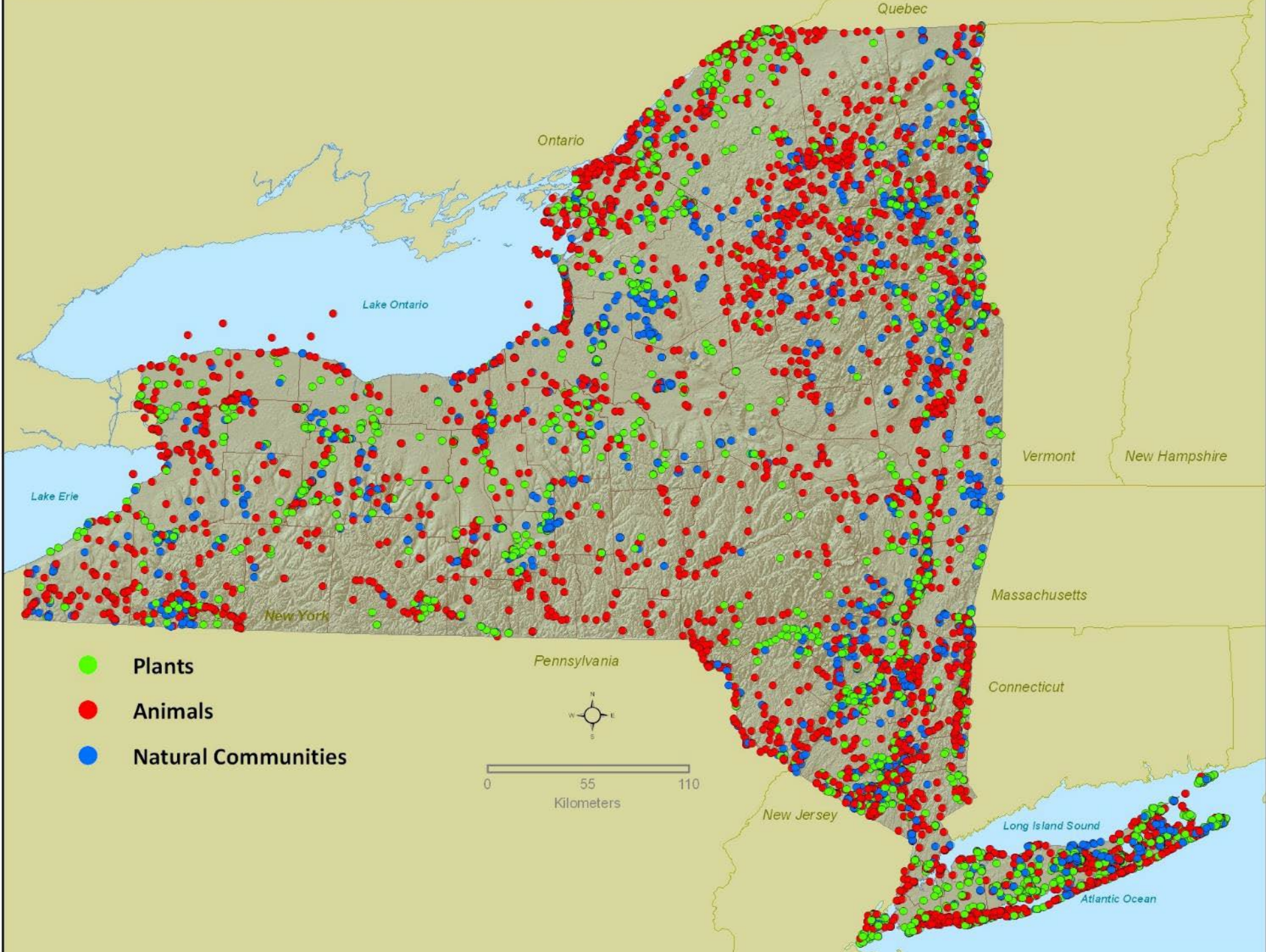
- State Parks have a very significant role in protecting statewide biodiversity



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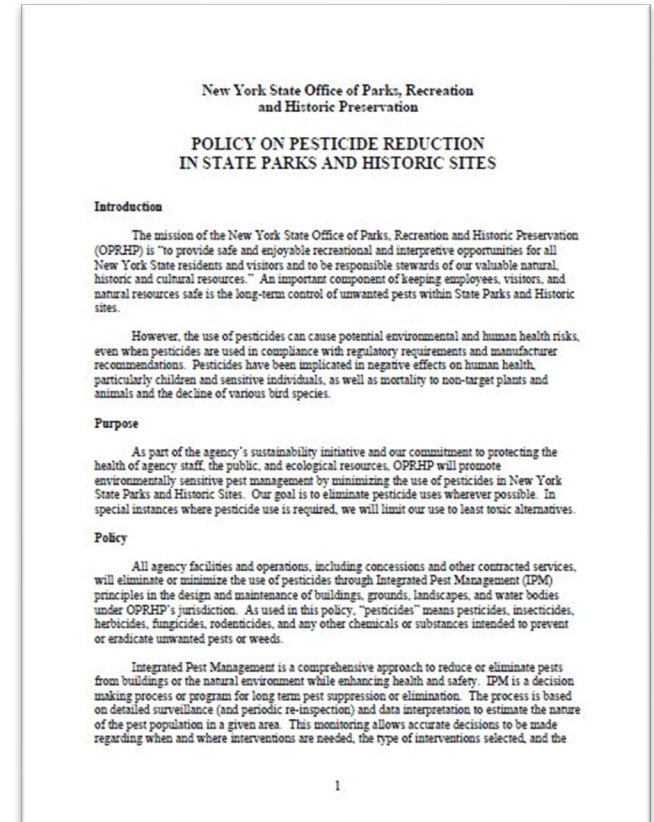


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OPRHP Policies

- Pesticide Reduction Policy - adopted in 2009
- Native Plant Policy – adopted in 2010
- Tropical Hardwood Purchase and Use – adopted in 2020
- Reduced Mowing Standard Operation Procedure – adopted in 2021



Conservation



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Environmental Education and Interpretation



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