

Appendix P:**Town of Poestenkill Resource Targets and Conservation Priority Area**

The Town of Poestenkill contains high priority ecological areas and high priority scenic areas on the Rensselaer Plateau, which extends across the town's eastern half. The town has a large area of high priority agricultural areas in the northern portion near Brunswick. High priority scenic areas can be found along NYS 351 and the Plateau escarpment, and associated with public lands, including Barberville Falls. Many of the streams flowing off the Plateau contain high priority water resource areas, especially where wetlands occur along the streams, including along the Poesten Kill, Newfoundland Creek and tributaries. High priority climate resiliency areas can be found in patches along the Plateau escarpment north and south of Plank Road. Snake Hill has uncommon ridgetop habitats.

Resource Target	Conservation Priority Area
Water	Newfoundland Creek corridor from Rte 66, across Rte 351, to Rte 355
Water	Area north of Rte 355 and south of town line, west of Garfield Road
Water	Area south of Snyders Corner Road near Coopers Pond
Water	Area east and west of Rte 351 from Rte 66 south to Sand Lake town line; and along Vosburg Road
Water	Poesten Kill east of town center
Water	Wynants Kill corridor
Ecological	Rensselaer Plateau, especially peatlands and spruce-fir areas
Climate Resiliency	Western escarpment of the Rensselaer Plateau, especially along the Poesten Kill to Barberville
Agricultural	Area between Garfield Road and Rte 351
Scenic	Rte 351 north of town center
Scenic	Western escarpment of the Rensselaer Plateau east of Reichards Farm Road
Scenic	Barberville Falls
Scenic	Rensselaer Plateau around Perigo Hill and north and northeast
Scenic	Dyken Pond Center
Composite	Western escarpment of the Rensselaer Plateau, from Brunswick town line to Snake Hill, including Barberville Falls
Composite	Rensselaer Plateau in area around Perigo Hill; and around Dyken Pond Center
Composite	Newfoundland Creek corridor, and area north of Rte 355 and west of Garfield Road
Composite	Rensselaer Plateau and its escarpment

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