

City of Syracuse, NY – Skaneateles Lake Watershed Land Protection Program - *Ongoing*

Behan Planning Associates, LLC and its team of American Farmland Trust and Blueberry Ridge Stewardship Services, Inc. and North East Appraisals, completed its 2002-2004 contract towards delivering a \$7 million land protection and conservation program in support of the City of Syracuse's goals of protecting its drinking water supply. The team is currently in the midst of a continuing contract for 2005-2007.

Our firm developed the program framework in support of the partnership approach to ensure that both the landowners in the watershed and the city benefit from the land protection program.

Our role is to manage the protection program from individual project landowner outreach through closing. We have conducted public outreach meetings as well as landowner meetings. Our team is responsible for establishing an easement monitoring program.

