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Local Leaders Request Proactive Plan to Prevent Residents from Being Stranded in Their Homes

Ulster County District No. 11 Legislators Paul Hansut (R) and Mary Beth Maio (R) have made a request to the County Executive's Office to have Arthur Snyder, Emergency Management Director, immediately put in place an emergency plan in the event Black Creek floods on New Paltz Road in Highland, New York.

Legislators Hansut and Maio have asked that an emergency plan be established by the County, in conjunction with the Town of Lloyd's existing Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, in the event that the Black Creek floods on New Paltz Road which would leave the residents marooned in their homes. Legislator Hansut has spoken with Fire Chief Dan Bassanese and Police Chief David Ackert, and they are on board with this request.

New Paltz Road has been closed since March 2010 to replace the bridge on New Paltz Road which extends over the rail-trail. The residents who live between this project west towards New Paltz would be unable to exit or enter their homes if the creek floods. The Black Creek historically swells during the winter months and early spring during thaws. Hansut and Maio believe it is critical to put a plan in place now before such event may occur.