WEST SENECA CLEARING &
SNAGGING FLOOD DAMAGE REDUCTION PROJECT

Department of
Environmental Conservation

Operated and Maintained by: The Town of West Seneca

Region 9 Counties: Allegany, Chautauqua, Cattaraugus, Erie, Niagara, Wyoming

PROJECT LOCATION
The project site is located within the Town of West Seneca, Erie County, New York about 2 miles southeast of the City of Buffalo. It is located on Cazenovia Creek between Union and Transit Roads.
PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project work consisted of a clearing and snagging operation along the bed and banks of Cazenovia Creek to create better conditions for passage of ice flows and reduce the threat of ice jams which have led to frequent winter and early spring floods. Isolated obstructions and shoals were removed. A deeper channel was provided at some location to concentrate flows and retard production of ice in the channel.

AUTHORIZATION

Clearing and snagging for flood control in Cazenovia Creek, West Seneca, New York, was authorized by the Office of Chief of Engineers, June 17th, 1970, under Public Law No. 780 – 83rd Congress, 2nd Session called the “1954 Flood Control Act”.

CONSTRUCTION

The clearing and snagging operation was begun August 3rd, 1971, and completed on November 12th 1971. It was performed under supervision and direction of the Corps of Engineers personnel by use of a rented bulldozer and dragline equipment. Federal costs totaled 44,000. Non-Federal costs totaled 8,000.
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