

**ANNUAL REPORT  
SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR 2015  
ALLEGANY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

2015 was a productive year for the department, working on several bridge and culvert projects, road maintenance projects, and construction projects. My thanks to our employees for their versatility, dedication and hard work. They always strive to do the best job possible for the taxpayers, although many have gone without a raise for several years.

Engineering continued on the Design and ROW for the replacement of BR#07-03 on CR43 in Angelica.

Public Works crews completed one Bridge on the County Road System, 1 Town Culvert and completed/started four Town Bridges.

CHIPS aid in the amount of \$2,614,417.00 was received from New York State. This includes \$245,999.00 for the Extreme Winter Recovery Appropriation and \$12,128.00 carried over from 2014. 25.92 miles of road were Hot Mixed paved using CHIPS funding.

The Bridge Maintenance Crew worked on forty-three different structures during the year. A total of 12 flag removals transpired as a result of work done by the County Engineer and our Bridge Maintenance Crew.

Solid Waste staff continued to successfully operate and maintain a well-run and cost effective solid waste disposal and recycling program for the residents of Allegany County.

The most notable news to report for 2015 is the landfill will reach design capacity in the spring of 2016, and will be permanently closed. Legislators, D.P.W. staff and the County Attorney's office met several times to identify and work towards alternatives to disposing residential solid waste in the County Landfill. The desire is to contract with another private or municipal landfill and to continue to operate all of the transfer stations located in Allegany County.

The county landfilled 24,573.96 tons of solid waste and collected \$1,547,454.33 in revenues.

Projects undertaken during 2015 for our Buildings & Grounds staff included the completion of the old jail elevator, razing the old museum on Court Street, paving the Wells Lane parking lot, renovating the old Court House fire escape, and modifying the DSS records storage area in the Weights & Measure Building. At the Jail, tile floors were repaired in the shower area, the parking lot was striped and new appliances were installed. Some of these projects were completed with much appreciated assistance from the D.P.W. highway staff.

These accomplishments, along with our regular workload were handled by our dedicated and professional staff. My thanks to them, for without them, none of this would have been possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Guy R. James, Superintendent