



Village of Lake Placid Climate Smart Communities

PE1: Partnerships with Other Entities

The Village of Lake Placid has a long history of partnering with local agencies, organizations, municipalities, and communities to maximize outcomes of climate smart projects. Climate impacts are felt regionally and collaboration is essential to identifying priorities and achieving goals.

The Village has undertaken the following steps to facilitate and sustain partnerships with other entities.

1. Town/Village Development Commission

a. Clarkson University

Through the Development Commission, the Village has partnered with Clarkson University on a number of occasions. This has resulted in LEED Certification (see below) and two Master Plans for [Peacock Park at Mirror Lake](#) and [Power Pond Park](#). Clarkson and the Village/Development Commission are now beginning the process of conducting a sidewalk study to inform better walkability and bikeability.

b. Cornell University

The Village/Development Commission also has a history of working with students at Cornell University. Most recently, this has involved creating a [management plan](#) for Climate Smart Communities certification. The Village hopes to utilize this partnership to assist with other CSC and CEC items in the future.

2. Ausable River Association

The Village has worked with the Ausable River Association to help facilitate their [Salt Reduction Initiative](#) to reduce road salt use in the Ausable River watershed and its impact to Mirror Lake in the Village center. The Village assists in snowplow truck salt tracking and has adopted Live Edge plow technology. The Village is also incorporating improved stormwater infrastructure in their three-year Main Street Upgrade project to reduce direct discharge into Mirror Lake. The Village also has a history of promoting the work for this initiative including having a Village Board member on the Advisory Committee for the [Ausable River Watershed Management Plan](#).