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## **Meeting Notice: Upstate Flood Mitigation Task Force Town Hall**

**Date:** Wednesday, April 26, 2023

**Time:** 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

**Location:** Mohawk Valley Community College – Rome Campus  
Dining and Community Hall  
1101 Floyd Avenue  
Rome, New York 13440

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### **Event Details:**

Brian U. Stratton, director of the New York State Canal Corporation and chair of the Upstate Flood Mitigation Task Force, will convene a town hall style meeting of the Task Force on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at 6:00 pm at Mohawk Valley Community College's Rome Campus.

This in-person meeting and intake session is an integral component of the Task Force proceedings, as it will enable members of the public within the Oswego River Basin and Mohawk River Basin to receive, review and comment upon the preliminary findings of the Task Force before the report is finalized and submitted to Governor Hochul on July 1, 2023.

Those wishing to attend and provide commentary are encouraged to RSVP to Kim Orapello ([kim.orapello@canals.ny.gov](mailto:kim.orapello@canals.ny.gov)) in advance of the meeting.

For members of the public unable to attend in-person, the meeting will be recorded and posted on the Canal Corporation's [website](#) within 72 hours.

**Governor Kathy Hochul's announcement of the Task Force formation can be found [here](#).**

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## **About the New York State Canal Corporation**

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