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To Whom It May Concern:

Attached is Franklin County's County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings Plan. Franklin County held 3 public meetings on November 12th, 13th and 14th. Franklin County Legislature received a copy of the shared services plan throughout the process and again it was distributed on 12/19/19 and approved the plan. A hard copy was delivered to the Clerk of the Board of Legislature on 12/23/19. November 14th, a panel vote was conducted; all participating Towns and Villages approved the plan. There was not participation from any other entities.

Franklin County has fulfilled its obligations regarding the plan and the timelines associated with it. Please accept this plan for 2020 as we work together to achieve our goals.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Donna Kissane

APPENDIX B: Certification

CERTIFICATION OF PLAN AND PROPERTY TAX SAVINGS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE

By my signature below, I hereby certify that the County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings Plan submitted herewith is final, that it was completed in accordance with the requirements of Article 12-I of the General Municipal Law, and that the savings identified and contained herein are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Donna Kissane

County Chief Executive Officer (Print Name)

(Signature)

Donna Kissane

(Date)

12/17/19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan – 2020

Municipality: Town of Bellmont

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: _____

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

I firmly believe that the plan that
is proposed will benefit all of our towns &
villages.

Signature: A Bruce Russell Date: 11/14/19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan - 2020

Municipality: Town of Bombay

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: Christopher Jack

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

We participate to have the town money -

Signature: Christopher Jack Date: 11/14/19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan – 2020

Municipality: Town of BRANDON

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: MICHAEL LAWRENCE

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

Signature: Michael R. Lawrence

Date: 11/14/19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan - 2020

Municipality: TOWN OF BRIGHTON

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: PETER SHROPE

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

WHEN APPLICABLE THIS PLAN
COULD PROVIDE COST SAVINGS TO
THE TAX PAYER AND RUN SERVICES
MORE EFFICIENTLY.

Signature: Peter Shrope

Date: Nov. 14 2019



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan - 2020

Municipality: Town of Burke

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: Burke William K Wood

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

To support the County & municipalities!

Signature: _____

Date: 11-18-19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan -- 2020

Municipality: Village of Burke

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: Craig C Dumas

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

Signature: Craig C Dumas

Date: Dec. 9th, 2019



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan - 2020

Municipality: Town of Chateaugay

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: DONALD W BILLOW

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

The plan addresses cost savings for the towns
and the County, with shared services.

Signature: Donald W Bilow

Date: 11-14-2019



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan – 2020

Municipality: Village of Chateaugay

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: Matthew Clarke

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

Anything to save taxpayer money

Signature: Matthew Clarke Date: 11/19/19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan - 2020

Municipality: Town of Constable

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: Richard Omer

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote: Shared Services + Cost Savings

Signature:  Date: 11-14-19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan - 2020

Municipality: TOWN OF DUANE

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: SUPERVISOR

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

I THINK IT HAS BENEFITS FOR THE TOWNS

Signature: *E. Smith*

Date: 11/14/19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan – 2020

Municipality: Town of Franklin

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: Town Supervisor

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

I support any attempts to save money

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

Date: 11/14/19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan – 2020

Municipality: Town of Fort Covington

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: PATRICIA MANCHESTER

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote: See Attachment

Signature: P. Manchester Date: 11.14.19

**Town of Fort Covington
2510 Chateaugay Street
Fort Covington, New York 12937
518-358-4629 / 518-358-2121**

**Supervisor
Patricia Manchester**

**Highway Superintendent
Lynden Greene**

**Town Clerk
Christine Benway**

**Assessor
Pam Sloate**

November 13, 2019

**Town Council
John Cushman
David Russell
John Bashaw
Stacey Ellsworth**

**Tax Collector
Karen Stowell**

**Town Justice
Cheryle Wilbanks
Tony Leroux**

MEMO: Justification for vote on County-Wide Shared Services

Fort Covington Town Council embraces efficiency in local government. Local governments in Franklin County continue to collaborate and implement shared service agreement that result in increasing efficiency in their operations thru their partnerships. Shared Services have been part of our County's history that have proved to be beneficial to all parties. Fort Covington Town Council will vote "YES" to the 2020 County-Wide Shared Service Plan.

Fort Covington Town Board

P. Manchester



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan – 2020

Municipality: Town of Malone

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: Town Supervisor

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

am in agreement with all aspects of
this plan - anything to save money - cooperating
as we all have for years!

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

Date: 11/14/19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan - 2020

Municipality: Village of Mohre

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: Mayor Joseph Ziccin

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

These are shared initiatives in process
or are soon to be, which benefit the public
good.

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

Date: 11/14/19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan – 2020

Municipality: Town of Moira

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: Justus Martin

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

Signature: Justus Martin

Date: 11-14-19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan - 2020

Municipality: Village of SARANAC LAKE.

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: Village Mayor.

X Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

The Village of Saranac Lake will participate in
The Franklin County wide Shared Services Plan.

USA Board Resolution Attached.

Signature: Clyde K. Wilson

Date: 11/14/19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan – 2020

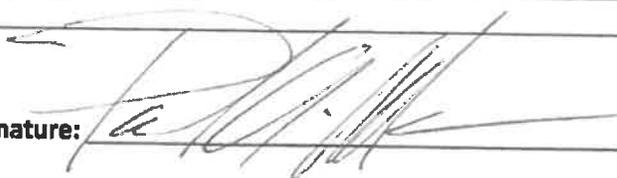
Municipality: village of Tupper Lake

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: Paul A. Maroun

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

The Village of Tupper Lake chose to vote yes because the County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings Plan Summary allows our municipality to participate in a broad of tax saving programs including shared training opportunities, workforce development and to also share our bidding opportunities and use of other county workforces to complete capital improvements such as paving projects. In our short constructions seasons it is nice to be able to complete a project in one season instead of stretching it over two budget years.

Signature: 

Date: 11/18/2019



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan - 2020

Municipality: Town of Waverly

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: Chad Rivers

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

Signature: [Handwritten Signature] **Date:** 11.14.19



FRANKLIN COUNTY

County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings

Plan - 2020

Municipality: Town of Westville

Town Supervisor/Village Mayor/Other Town Official: Bob Lauzon

Yes, I support the plan.

Justification for the Yes Vote:

THE TOWN OF WESTVILLE APPROVES THE SHARED
SERVICE PLAN. THE TOWNS AND COUNTY WORK
VERY WELL TOGETHER.

Signature: Bob Lauzon Date: 11/24/19

FRANKLIN COUNTY							
County-Wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings Plan Summary							
Project Title:	Project Partners:	Project Description:	Project Category:	Total Anticipated Savings			
				2020	2021	Annually Thereafter	
1	Emergency Services - Shared responders	All Franklin County Towns, Villages, County	Towns and Fire Districts will analyze and possibly implement shared emergency/fire responders	Public Safety - Emergency Response	\$150,000	\$153,000	\$156,060
2	Shared Training Opportunities	Open to all Towns, Villages and County for participation	Shared training opportunities between municipalities Example: Defensive Driving Courses, sexual harassment Training, and many more that allows a reduction in staff time, planning and reduces travel.	General Government - Training	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
3	Malone Village Rec Park	Village of Malone/Town of Malone/Franklin Cty	Malone Village will build a new rec park and other municipalities will assist with demolition and removal and will evaluate ongoing projects between the municipalities	Culture and Recreation	50,000	\$30,000	\$20,000
4	Shared Bidding	Open to all Towns, Villages and County for participation	All municipalities will research and share bids including piggybacking from other Counties to improve savings	General Government - Purchasing	\$75,000	\$75,000	75,000
5	Shared County Website Page	Open to all Towns, Villages and County for participation	Option presented to host Town or Village page on County Website (\$5,000 per website savings?)	General Government - Information Technology	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
6	Shared Solar Array	Franklin County, Belmont, Westville, Bombay Franklin County Training Ground (FRACO) FRACO Training Ground Towns: Bangor, Belmont, Brandon, Burke, Chateaugay, Constable, Dickinson Center, Ft. Covington, Malone, Moira, St. Regis Falls, Harrietstown, Tupper Lake, Westville, Duane Villages: Brushton, Burke, Tupper Lake, Malone Chateaugay, Saranac Lake Franklin County	Franklin County is dedicating \$3500 in the 2020 budget to offset costs for fire/EMS training along with using the County's solar net metering to cover the electric costs.	Public Safety - Emergency Response	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
	Shared Solar Array	Transfer meters from other municipalities to share in net meter savings - open to all Franklin County municipalities to evaluate and enroll	Franklin County will evaluate solar production and enroll other municipalities under Franklin County meters to allow savings - \$20,000	Mal			
7	Share resources to pave roads that includes replacement of roads and other highway infrastructure such as culverts etc. This includes mainline cameras, etc.	Open to all Towns, Villages and County for participation	Franklin County municipalities will assist each other when available to reduce the costs of our highway infrastruture when available. Tracking of the shared services and formal agreements will be developed	Transportation and Highway	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000
8	Share of oil/water disposal from Highway Garage	Village of Malone/Franklin County	Franklin County will share service of disposal of oil/water	Transportation and Highway	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
9	An analysis and plan implemented county-wide for workforce development	Open to all Towns, Villages and County for participation - including the IDA, Schools etc.	Franklin County municipalities have identified the need to develop our workforce.	General Government	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
10	Purchase software for virtual highway/law enforcement driving training to use in simulator	Open to all Towns, Villages and County for participation	Franklin County municipalities have identified the need to offer additional training specific to public safety and works	General Government - Training	5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
					\$405,000	\$388,000	\$381,060