

Congresswoman Louise Slaughter (D-NY-28) announced that the Parker-Fries pumping station in the Town of Tonawanda will receive \$342,000 in stimulus money to increase energy efficiency at the plant.

"When we passed the stimulus package in February, we made it clear we that part of what we wanted to do was invest in a new more environmentally sustainable economy," said Slaughter. "Western New York pioneered clean energy in Niagara Falls a century ago. I'm pleased to see this project in Tonawanda continue in that tradition."

To date, projects across Erie County are set to receive at least \$32 million dollars in federal stimulus money going towards projects that extend credit to small businesses, increase access to education and support the arts in a time of decreasing private contributions.

This funding Tonawanda pumping station, the town's largest, is a part of the Green Innovation Grant Program in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The program supports up to 90 percent of eligible project costs for the installation of innovative, cost-cutting solutions for progressive water conservation, energy efficiency technologies to drinking water and clean water infrastructure. Projects range from the development and implementation of water conservation strategies to stormwater management.

For more on the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act in Western New York [click here](#) .