

Maps produced for the Commissioners to Report a Plan for Improving the Navigation of the Hudson River A4006

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Overview of the Records

Repository: New York State Archives

Summary: This series contains a map drawn by engineer John Randel, Jr.

showing the Hudson River from Troy south to New Baltimore. The map includes river depth; adjacent cities; some street names and buildings; nearby waterways; and route of a proposed canal alongside part of the river. Also included is a certification by Surveyor General Simeon DeWitt, that the maps were made according to an 1819 law and that the maps

accompanied a report made to the state legislature.

Creator: New York (State). Surveyor General

Title: Maps produced for the Commissioners to Report a Plan for

Improving the Navigation of the Hudson River

Quantity: 0.5 cubic feet

Quantity: 1 volume

Inclusive Date: 1820-1830

Bulk Date: bulk 1820

Series: A4006

Arrangement

Geographic: north to south.

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Administrative History

Through an 1819 law the legislature appointed Governor DeWitt Clinton, Surveyor General Simeon DeWitt, Secretary of State John V.N. Yates, Senator Martin Van Buren, Edmund C. Genet, George Tibbits, and Townsend McCoun as commissioners to study and report to the legislature on navigation of the Hudson River.

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Scope and Content Note

This is a volume of 16 sheets comprising a map for part of the Hudson River.

The map, drawn by engineer John Randel, Jr. in 1820, shows the Hudson River from Troy south to New Baltimore and provides: depth of river; names of adjacent cities; some street names and buildings; nearby waterways; and route of a proposed canal alongside part of the river.

On the first map page is a certification by Surveyor General Simeon DeWitt, dated January 5, 1830, stating that the maps were made according to an 1819 law appointing commissioners to decide on a plan for improving navigation of the tide waters of the river and that the maps accompanied a report made to the state legislature on March 1, 1820.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of the material.

Access Terms

- Inland navigation
- Inland water transportation
- Transportation planning
- Hudson River (N.Y. and N.J.)
- New York (State)
- Maps (documents)
- Planning transportation
- New York (State). Department of Transportation