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**New York State Department of Public Works Plans,
Blueprints, and Drawings Relating to the Operation and
Maintenance of the Barge Canal B1353**

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series consists of working copies of contract plans used by the Operations and Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works and predecessor units. These "office copies" include attachments in the form of maps and plans detailing revisions and updates to original plans. Included are hydrologic data; maps and charts for lake elevations; buoy locations; hydrographs of the Oneida, Seneca, and Oswego rivers; charts of Cayuga and Oneida Lake elevations; and plans and related material for Barge Canal contracts.
Title:	Plans, blueprints, and drawings relating to the operation and maintenance of the Barge Canal
Quantity:	37.4 cubic feet
Inclusive Date:	approximately 1896-1974
Series:	B1353

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Arrangement

B1353-95: Sets of plans are arranged by contract number.

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Scope and Content Note

B1353-95: This accretion of contract plans is the working copy kept and used over several decades, primarily by the Operations and Maintenance Division of the department (established in 1943 when the Department of Public Works was reorganized) and its predecessor units. As such the plans represent more than blueprint copies of the original drawings. These "office copies" often include attachments in the form of maps and plans for revisions and updates. Many such amendments occurred decades after the original set was created, and in some cases documentation follows changes wrought by natural events (e.g. flood) and includes hydrologic data gathered in modern times.

The accretion pertains to work in Region 3. Included are maps and charts for lake elevations and buoy locations, and hydrographs of the Oneida, Seneca, and Oswego rivers (1905-1915); charts showing elevations of Cayuga and Oneida lakes (late 1950s to early 1960s); plans for specific engineering projects such as lock thrust bearings, wrought iron plates for canal walls, and some dimension sheets for generator shafts; and sets of plans and related material for dozens of Barge Canal contracts (grouped by contract number). Rolled material often includes multiple sheets with unique captions and dates.

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

B1353-95: Combined folder and roll list available at the repository.

B1353-19: Folder list is available at the repository.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

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

Access Terms

- Blueprints
- Maintaining canals
- Plans (orthographic projections)
- Canals--New York (State)
- Canal-boats
- New York (State)
- Maintaining infrastructure
- New York State Barge Canal System (N.Y.)
- Constructing canals
- Drawings

- **New York (State). Department of Transportation**