

# River Crossings Project

## Village of Gouverneur

Water service to the western half of the Village of Gouverneur was threatened in the winter of 1985 when the water pipe that was suspended from the William Street Bridge failed and broke, leaving pieces on the frozen Oswegatchie River below. Leaks had been discovered just weeks earlier in another pipe that crossed the bottom of the river and just one river crossing remained in a pipe suspended from the Route 11 Bridge. Immediate attention was required to assure continued water service to a large portion of the local population.

Grant applications were prepared and the Village received a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant to establish three new water connections across the Oswegatchie River to the west side of the Village to restore and increase water availability, pressure and flow to this area.



This River Crossings Project consisted of:

- ▶ Replacement of line at Water Street with the new line placed on the river bed,
- ▶ Replacement of line at William Street with the new line suspended from the bridge and insulated,
- ▶ Extension of pipe at Wilson Street to ensure adequate pressure and flow.

### Funding

Community Development Block Grant	\$400,000
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**AVALON ASSOCIATES** prepared the funding application and assisted with the administration of the Small Cities Grant.