

Oswegatchie and the New Kitchen and Dining Facility



How many campers can Oswegatchie host during one week?

The comfortable maximum occupancy of Oswegatchie is 175 campers. Utilizing two rustic locations in Pine Ridge and Eagle Edge, we could increase our occupancy to approximately 200 campers per week.



Will this project include lodging rooms?

The current plan does not include rooms. Largely this is due to several code changes that can be avoided by not having lodging in a kitchen/dining facility. Also lodging would need to be on a second floor which would require accessibility adjustments to the plan.

How many beds will we lose with this kitchen project?

Widrick lodge currently can occupy up to 35 people at maximum occupancy. However we seldom use this building at full capacity for lodging. The removal of the five cabins in main camp represents about 18 beds. It is predicted that we will be losing approx. 36 beds for either summer staff or summer advisors.



What is the plan to replace lost beds?

We currently do not utilize Sutliff or Foster Lodge to full capacity for summer lodging. The short term will include repurposing some of these spaces. Additionally we believe we will be able to lift some of the small cabins and move to another area for a short term use.

Pending the success of the capital campaign we do have a plan that would include the construction of more self contained cabin units around Getman lodge. We believe we can put up to 4 additional cabin units in this area, and still preserve an area for campers to park.



What is the projected opportunity for new revenue as a result of the new kitchen?

- Test kitchen use in shoulder seasons by local producers.
- ▶ Food science/NY Grown & Certified based programs to community.
- Large group meal functions such as weddings, banquets, etc.



Will anything be salvaged from Widrick Lodge?

Yes. We anticipate pulling all rough cut boards in use on walls and ceiling to be repurposed. All new windows, kitchen equipment, and other utilities will be pulled. All fixtures and furniture will also be repurposed.



Why is the proposed project so large?

Building code requires a min of 15 sf per person for dining hall space. Our current lodge maxes out at about 150 persons. In order to achieve the capacity we want we must have a larger project.

Who is managing the project?

Purcell Construction Company, Watertown NY and Beardsley Architects & Engineers , Malone NY.

August 2019
Demolition of
Widrick & Break
Ground

September 2019 Site work completed **November 2019** Shell of building up

Winter 2020 Interior work June 2020
Project
completion in
time for summer
camp 2020.