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# Tectonic strives to help Sullivan County move forward



The original site of Woodstock. Tectonic provided construction inspection and material testing services in connection with development of the Bethel Woods Center for the Arts in Bethel, Sullivan County, NY.

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Tectonic provided site design services for the Marriott Residence Inn Extended Stay Hotel in the neighboring Town of Walkill, Orange County, NY.

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With more than 500 professionals representing the civil, structural, geotechnical and environmental engineering fields, Tectonic is uniquely qualified to accomplish projects varying in size, scope and complexity.

That is exactly what they have been involved with in Sullivan County –

ranging from the \$650,000,000 Resorts World Catskills project to the Callicoon Train Station, which is utilizing \$250,000 in grants to revitalize an historic building in the middle of the hamlet.

Peter T. Sutherland, P.E., P.G., is a Senior Vice President and Corporate Director of Environmental Services at Tectonic.

He is excited about the company's

increasing presence in Sullivan County, which has also included a county-wide Brownfield assessment and Broadway, Monticello revitalization project during the past several years.

"Our involvement with the [Sullivan County] Partnership and County [government] gives us a lot of contact with municipalities and businesses," Sutherland said. "The Partnership is really a driving force [for economic growth in Sullivan County]."

"Partnership CEO Marc Baez does a great job advocating for the growth of the county, he is very effective," Sutherland said.

To keep abreast of the many happenings in Sullivan County, Tectonic employee Kelsey Hornicek recently ran for a spot on the Partnership Board of Directors.

Having been elected, the Callicoon native is now a family face at many Partnership meetings and functions across the county.

"Employees from our company are now attending many events within the county," Sutherland said.

Although the company is headquartered in eastern Orange County, Sutherland said he has a strong commitment to Sullivan County, where he has spent time in the cool waters of the Willowemoc with a flyrod.

"It feels like home," Sutherland, who resides in western Ulster County, said.

### Working with county government

Jill Weyer, Deputy Commissioner of the Sullivan County Dept. of Planning, said, "Our department has been working with Tectonic on the Countywide Brownfield Assessment Grant.

"It's going well, we have several projects where we have completed a Phase 1 assessment and are moving to Phase 2," Weyer said. "They [Tectonic] are responsive to our needs."

Weyer said the grant is designed to address 10 perceived contaminated areas across the county and either debunk the myth that they were contaminated or identify if they were contaminated with "A, B or C" and how to remediate the site.

Monticello Manor, the former hospital in Monticello, is one such site which Tectonic has been testing, having completed both Phase 1 and Phase 2 environmental reviews.

Broadway, Monticello  
Tectonic is also providing environmental services for the Monticello Broadway Revitalization Initiative on behalf of the owners of three properties preliminarily selected for funding under the New York State Main Street (NYMS) program.

The County of Sullivan is the local program administrator of the \$300,000



In support of the County Division of Planning's site development initiatives, Tectonic provided environmental services for the NY Main Street Program / Monticello Broadway revitalization in Monticello, Sullivan County, NY.



Tectonic is presently providing environmental services to support the County's Division of Planning in connection with federal grant funds they obtained to identify and assess Brownfield sites for reuse and redevelopment in Sullivan County, focusing on the urban centers of Monticello, Liberty and South Fallsburg, NY

grant by NYMS in Monticello.

The goal of NYMS is to stimulate reinvestment to establish and sustain the downtown Monticello neighborhood for housing and mixed-use establishments.

Properties on Broadway will be undergoing rehabilitation to create retail spaces on the ground floors and apartments in their second and third floors or facade work.

### Resorts World

Tectonic involvement with Resorts World Catskills Hotel & Casino included providing Special Inspection Materials Testing Services in accordance with Chapter 17 of the 2010 New York State Building Code.

Tectonic's testing included inspections of:

- Cast-in concrete
- Soil (backfills & subgrades)
- Structural steel framing
- Reinforced masonry, and
- Spray-applied fireproofing

The more than \$650,000 project is



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located at the site of the former Concord Resort Hotel in Kiamesha Lake and includes an 18-story hotel and entertainment complex featuring 80,000 sq. ft of casino with 391 luxury rooms, multiple restaurants and meeting and convention space.

### Poised for growth

Tectonic is an award-winning firm, which has grown from 298 employees in 2007 to 519 employees in 2019.

This amazing growth is attributed to their ability to diversify their professional offerings which has earned them a reputation for its technical knowledge, rigorous standards and fresh approach as design engineers and construction consultants.

One such area that fueled that growth was wireless communication.

"We grew very quickly in the wireless construction and material testing," Sutherland said. "We saw a real void and we filled it."

"A lot of people in our profession love what they do," he said. "It's something new every day and although you may work on similar project they all have their unique challenges."

"It really satisfying to finish a project and something tangible," he said.

Just like the projects they have done in Sullivan County.