# **Guide to Infrastructure in Forest Home**

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### **ROADS**

*Note:* A "right-of-way by use" (**ROW** by use) is one in which the roadway boundaries are established by what the municipality has been maintaining for the past 25 years, unless the infrastructure was intended to *not* need maintenance (embankments, ditches, retaining walls, signs, etc). This is in contrast to a deeded ROW, in which the municipality actually owns the land that the road is on.

*Note:* The Town does **winter maintenance** on all of its own roads, and has contracted to do winter maintenance on County Roads in Forest Home, as well.

*Note:* There is a **five-ton weight limit** on McIntyre Place, on Judd Falls Road north of the Jug Handle, and on Forest Home Drive from the intersection with Plantations Road near Beebe Lake to the intersection with Caldwell Road near the upstream bridge. Emergency vehicles and trucks making local deliveries are specifically exempted. The limit is on registered weight, rather than actual weight, making the law easier to enforce. See <a href="https://www.ecode360.com/8661132">https://www.ecode360.com/8661132</a>. (Generally speaking, any truck with dual rear wheels – six or more tires – will have a registered weight in excess of 5 tons.) There are no weight limits on the bridges.

### The Byway

Privately owned and maintained

#### Caldwell Road

Owned and maintained by Town, ROW by use

#### **Crest Lane**

Owned and maintained by Town, ROW by use

### **Fairway Drive**

Owned and maintained by Town, deeded 60 ft wide ROW

#### **Forest Home Drive**

Owned and maintained by Town, ROW by use; 5 ton weight limit on 100 and 200 blocks

### **Halcyon Hill Road**

Owned and maintained by Town up to the Y with ROW by use; privately owned and maintained beyond that

#### **Judd Falls Road**

Owned and maintained by Town, ROW by use; 5 ton weight limit north of Jug Handle

#### **McIntyre Place**

Owned and maintained by Town, ROW by use; 5 ton weight limit

### **Plantations Road**

Owned and maintained by Cornell University

### **Pleasant Grove Road**

Owned and maintained by County (winter maintenance by Town), ROW by use

#### Warren Road

Owned and maintained by County (winter maintenance by Town), ROW by use

### **BRIDGES**

*Note:* The Town owns the downstream bridge truss, the County owns the upstream bridge truss.

## **Downstream Bridge**

Deck, steel substructure and abutments owned and maintained by County; truss, walkway and driving (wear) surface owned and maintained by Town; no weight limit

## **Upstream Bridge**

Truss, deck, steel substructure and abutments owned and maintained by County; walkway and driving (wear) surface owned and maintained by Town; no weight limit

### STREET LIGHTING

## **Streetlights at Intersections**

Owned and maintained by NYSEG through a town-wide contract with Town

## **Streetlights NOT at Intersections**

Owned and maintained by NYSEG through a contract with Town (Forest Home Lighting District)

## **Entrance Lamps**

Owned and maintained by Town as part of Forest Home Lighting District

### **UTILITIES**

### **Gas Lines**

Owned and maintained by NYSEG

#### **Electric Wires**

Owned and maintained by NYSEG

*Note:* NYSEG owns and maintains the "delivery" wires regardless of who your "energy supplier" may be.

### Cable

Owned and maintained by Spectrum

# **Telephone Lines**

Owned and maintained by Verizon

#### Water

Houses in Forest Home west of the downstream bridge (i.e., Judd Falls Road, McIntyre Place, the Byway, 100 block of FHD) are provided with Fall Creek water that has been processed by Cornell University's filtration plant on Caldwell Road. Houses in Forest Home east of the downstream bridge (i.e., Warren Road, Halcyon Hill, Crest Lane, Fairway Drive, 200 and 300 blocks of FHD) are provided with Cayuga Lake water that has been processed by the Southern Cayuga Lake Intermunicipal Water Commission (Bolton Point). All billing is done by Bolton Point, and all maintenance is performed by the Town, regardless of who your supplier may be.

#### Sewer

Owned and maintained by Town

### **PARKS**

# Forest Home Park by Downstream Bridge

Owned by Cornell, leased to Town, which maintains it. Forest Home community also assists with maintenance through the Town's Adopt-a-Park program.

### **Forest Home Walkway**

Owned and maintained by Town, with deeded 10 ft wide ROW. Some of the walkway is on land belonging to Cornell, with a permanent easement to the Town.

## **Arboretum and Wildflower Garden**

Owned and maintained by Cornell, as part of the university's Botanic Gardens.