



First Investments from the Environmental Bond Act and Latest Round of the Water Infrastructure Improvement and Intermunicipal Grant Programs

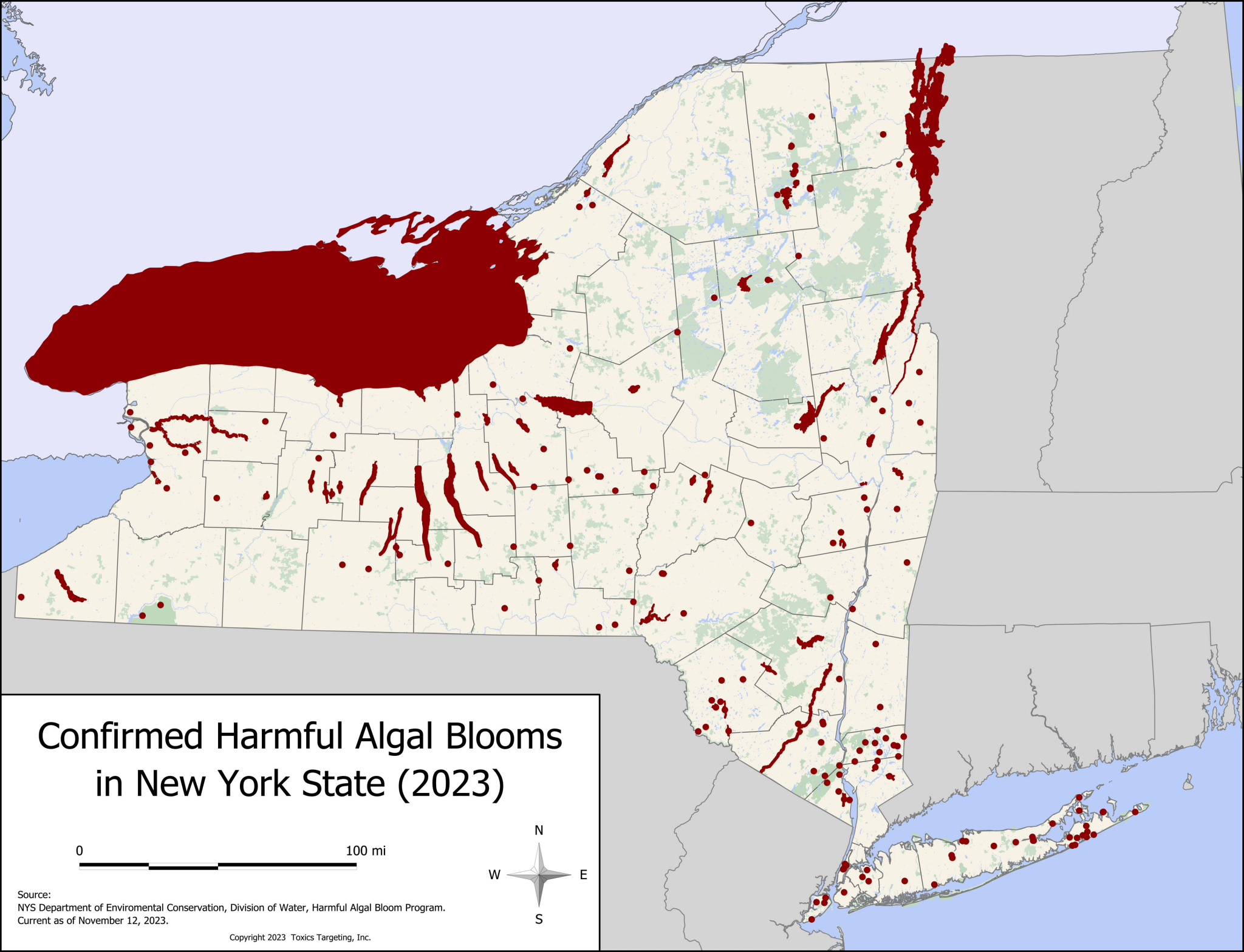
Funding Projected to Save \$1.3 Billion for New Yorkers and Create 24,000 Jobs

62 Percent of Bond Act Funding Awarded to Benefit Disadvantaged Communities, Surpassing the State Goal of 40 Percent

\$30 Million in Funding Incentivizes Replacement of Aging Septic Systems and Cesspools to Prevent Water Pollution

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced \$479 million in grants for critical water infrastructure projects, including the first funding awarded through the \$4.2 billion Clean Water, Clean Air, and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022, which was passed by voters after Governor Hochul pushed to increase the total amount by \$1 billion immediately upon taking office. New York State is empowering municipalities by providing the financial resources necessary to undertake water quality projects crucial to safeguarding public health, protecting the environment, bolstering communities' climate readiness, and promoting economic development. The funding announced today is projected to save local ratepayers an estimated \$1.3 billion and create 24,000 jobs across the state. The grants are awarded by the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation, in coordination with the Departments of Health and Environmental Conservation, and are part of the State's nation-leading commitment to modernize aging water and sewer systems.

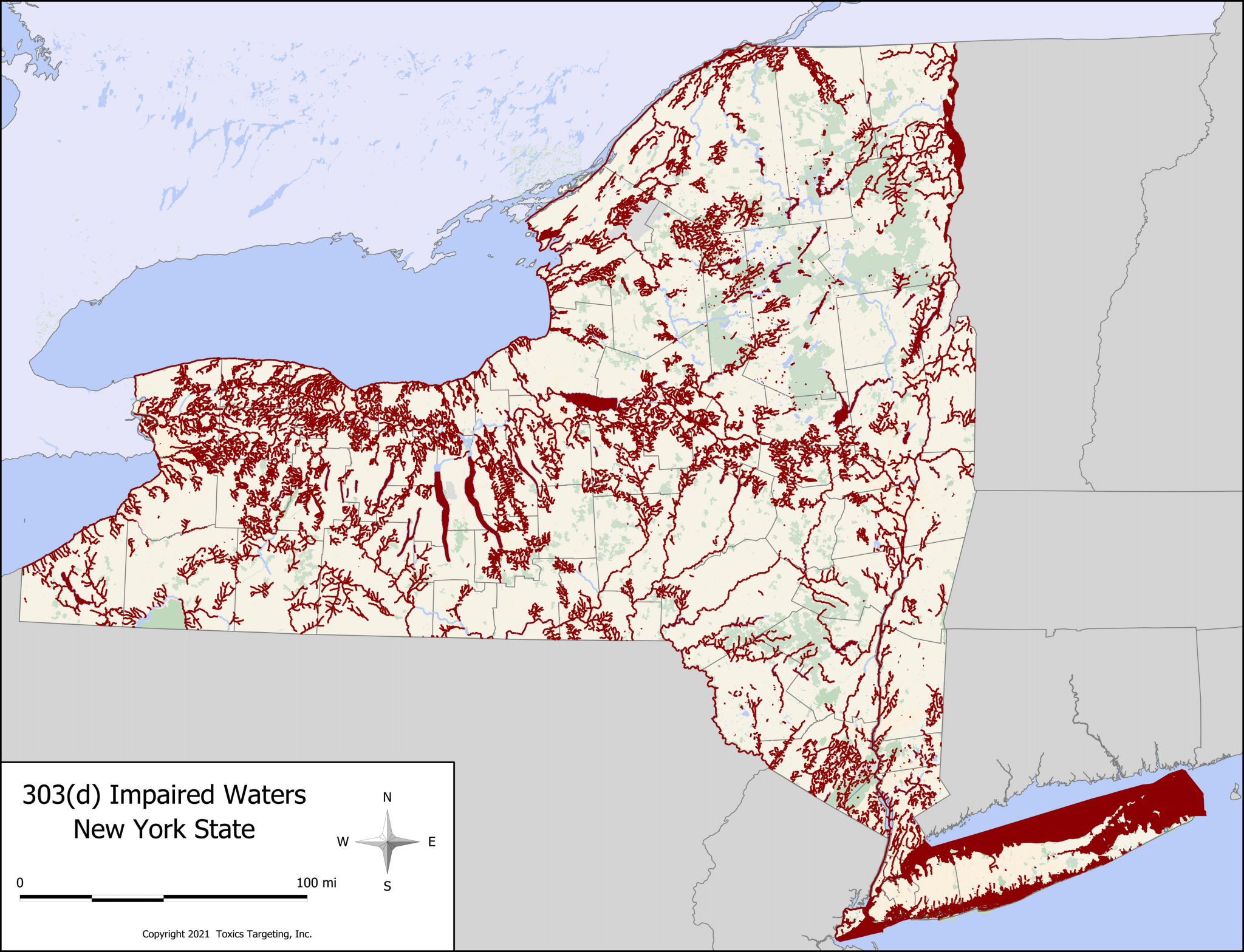
"No one in New York should ever fear that they don't have access to clean water," Governor Hochul said. "We are reassuring communities across New York that your kids, grandkids, and great grandkids will always have access to clean and safe water. This investment will make life saving improvements to our water infrastructure and safeguard drinking water for millions of people, in addition to saving New Yorkers money and creating tens of thousands of jobs."



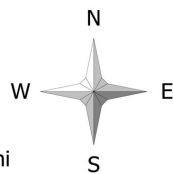
Confirmed Harmful Algal Blooms in New York State (2023)

Source:
NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Water, Harmful Algal Bloom Program.
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