



In June 1972, tropical storm Agnes caused severe flooding in Pennsylvania and southern New York. The floods on many major streams were the highest known since the river valleys were settled. Maximum discharges were as much as twice the discharge of a 50-year flood. In southern New York, large areas in Corning, Elmira, Wellsville, Salamanca, and in many smaller communities were inundated to depths of several feet. Levels of all of the Finger Lakes were higher than any previously recorded, and extensive flooding of lake-side properties resulted.

The extent of flooding shown on the map was delineated by the U.S. Geological Survey from field surveys made immediately after the floods.

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EXPLANATION  
Boundary of June 1972 flood  
Flood boundaries delineated from  
field surveys.

ADDISON, N.Y.  
Bands by U.S. Geological Survey  
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