



In June 1972, tropical storm Agnes caused severe flooding in Pennsylvania and southern New York. The floods on 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 lakeside property resulted.

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

The investigation was conducted in cooperation with the State of New York and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

1972
SCALE 1:24,000
CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET
ELEVATION IN FEET MEAN SEA LEVEL

New York State (Big Flats area).
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Flooded. 1:24,000. 1972.

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

BIG FLATS, N.Y.

Base by U.S. Geological Survey
1969