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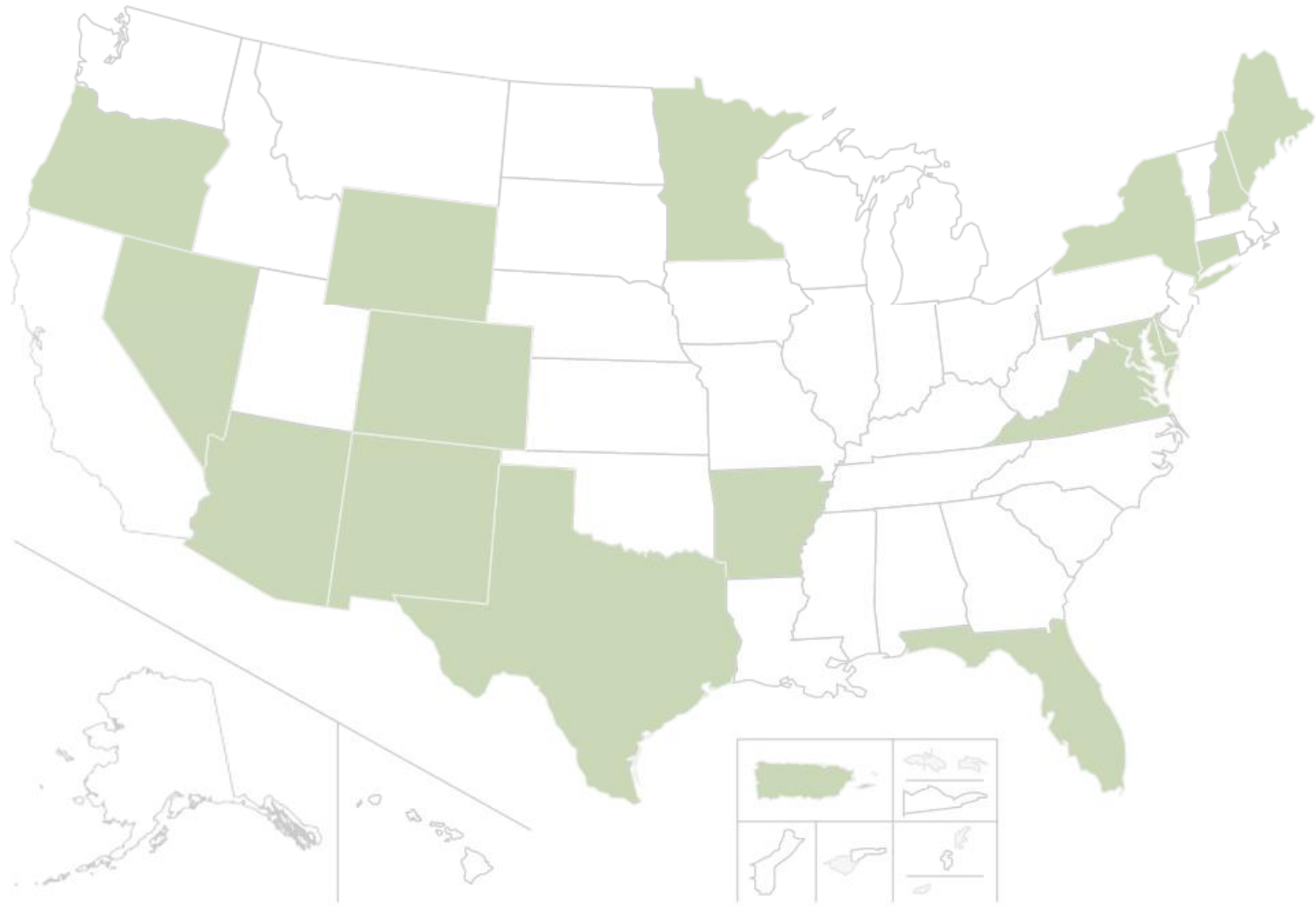


- Most Towns have some kind of Lighting Ordinance that protects adjacent properties from lights on Commercial Properties ... including Owasco.
- There is a movement around the world, the US, and NYS, to protect the night time sky From all types of lighting including residential.

The NY Dark Skies Protection Act

- Currently making its way through the assembly.
- NYS Senate Bill S7663 and NYS Assembly Bill A8644
- Regulates outdoor night lighting to preserve and enhance the state's dark sky.
- Salient Points of the Bills:
 - THE PURPOSE OF THIS ARTICLE IS TO REGULATE OUTDOOR NIGHT LIGHTING TO PRESERVE AND ENHANCE THE STATE'S DARK SKY WHILE PROMOTING SAFETY FOR PEOPLE, BIRDS, AND OTHER WILDLIFE, CONSERVING ENERGY AND REDUCING OUR CARBON FOOTPRINT, AND PRESERVING THE AESTHETIC QUALITIES OF THE NIGHT SKY.
 - ALL OUTDOOR LIGHTING FIXTURES SHALL BE SHIELDED AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FIVE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO OUTDOOR LIGHTING FIXTURES INSTALLED AT RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, AND MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES.

States with Light Pollution Laws

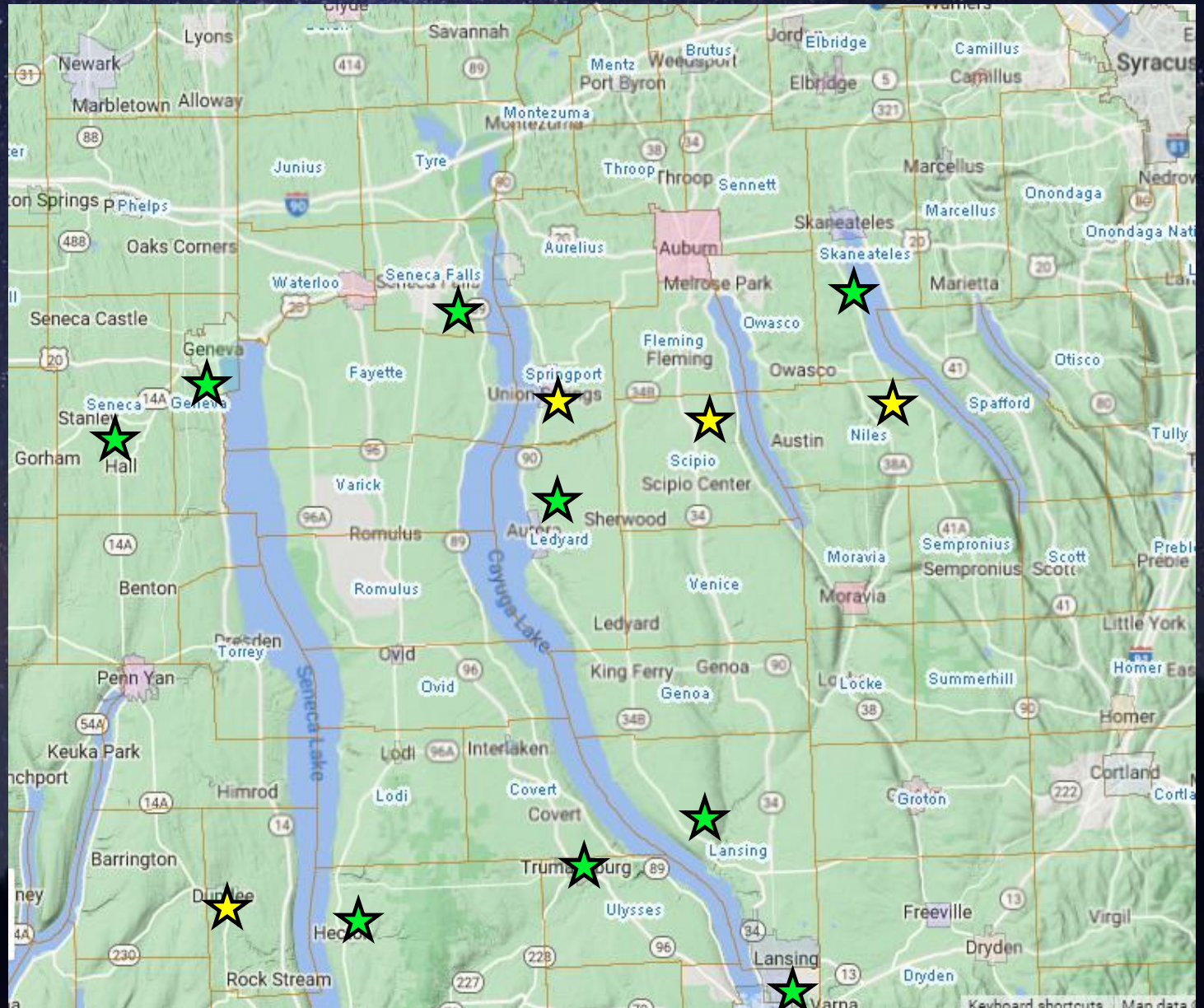


Local Towns with Lake Shores That Have Some Kind of Dark Skies Ordinances

Legend

★ = Dark Sky Compliant

★ = Some Dark Sky



It is a pretty simple thing to protect our Lake District from Light Pollution and comply with Dark Sky initiatives:

- All outdoor lighting must:
 - Be limited in output
 - Have a shield that constrains the light spread to the property (does not impinge outside the property boundary) or,
 - Be activated by a motion sensor with a maximum on time of xx minutes, or
 - Be off between the hours of xx and yy.

I encourage our Town to protect the Lake District and enact some sensible ordinance for the benefit of our wildlife, our health, and the aesthetics of the Lake District especially since the zoning laws are being updated.

Now is the time to put in place some sensible restrictions to protect the Lake District.



They would be allowed to do so because there are no town codes prohibiting it!

Thank you for your time. We trust the board will do the right thing to protect the Lake District.