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# **Economic and Fiscal Impact**

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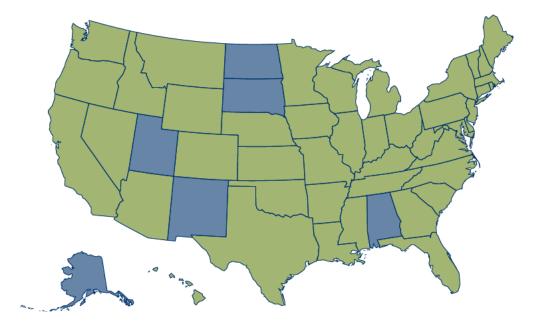
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# ABOUT THE STUDY

Camoin Associates was retained by the Town of Hempstead Industrial Development Agency to measure the potential economic and fiscal impacts of a project proposed by Rock 50, LLC. The proposed project involves construction of an over 60,000 SF Class A commercial office building at 50 North Park Avenue, Rockville Centre, New York 11970. The goal of this analysis is to provide a complete assessment of the total economic, employment and tax impact of the project on the Town of Hempstead that result from the construction phase and on-site operations.

The primary tool used in this analysis is the input-output model developed by Economic Modeling Specialists Intl. (Emsi). Primary data used in this study was obtained from the developer's application for financial assistance to the Town of Hempstead Industrial Development Agency and included the following data points: on-site jobs, exemptions, and PILOT schedule.

The economic impacts are presented in four categories: direct impact, indirect impact, induced impact, and total impact. The indirect and induced impacts are commonly referred to as the "multiplier effect." Note that previous impact reports commissioned by the Town of Hempstead Industrial Development Agency were presented in only three categories: direct impact, indirect impact, and total impact. Prior to 2020, Camoin Associates included both the

#### STUDY INFORMATION

Data Source: Rock 50, LLC Application for Assistance and the Town of Hempstead Industrial Development Agency

> Geography: Town of Hempstead

Study Period: 2022

Modeling Tool: Emsi

indirect and induced impacts in the "indirect impact" category. Beginning in 2020, the indirect and induced impacts will be reported separately to allow for more accurate interpretation of results.

#### DIRECT IMPACTS

This initial round of impacts is generated as a result of spending on operations and and construction.

#### **INDIRECT IMPACTS**

The direct impacts have ripple effects through business to business spending. This spending results from the increase in demand for goods and services in industry sectors that supply the facility.

#### INDUCED IMPACTS

Impacts that result from spending by facility employees, employees of town businesses, and employees of suppliers. Earnings of these employees enter the economy as employees spend their paychecks in the town on food, clothing, and other goods and services.



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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Town of Hempstead Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") received an application for financial assistance from Rock 50, LLC (the "Applicant") for the construction of an over 60,000 SF Class A commercial office building (the "Project") at 50 North Park Avenue, Rockville Centre, New York 11970 (the "Site"). The Applicant is seeking a 20-year PILOT agreement from the Agency. The Agency commissioned Camoin Associates to conduct an economic and limited fiscal impact analysis of the Project on the Town of Hempstead (the "Town").

Table 1

The following is a summary of our findings from this study, with details below and in the following sections.

Summary of Benefits to Town	
Total Jobs	339
Direct Jobs	223
Total Earnings	\$ 35,813,835
Direct Earnings	\$ 27,786,932
Annual Sales Tax Revenue to County	\$ 266,365
Annual Sales Tax Revenue to Town	\$ 23,503
Average Annual PILOT Payment	\$ 584,372
Average Annual PILOT Payment to Town	\$ 2,704
Average Annual PILOT Benefit	\$ 584,372
Average Annual PILOT Benefit to Town	\$ 2,704
Average Annual Net Benefit to Town	\$ 26,207

- The Project would support 339 net new jobs in the town, of which 223 are direct jobs, with over \$35.8 million in associated earnings.
- The Applicant has negotiated terms of a proposed 20-year PILOT agreement with the Agency, where the applicant
  would pay an average of \$584,372 each year, of which \$2,704 will be allocated to the Town. The property is
  currently tax exempt, therefore these figures represent the average annual benefit of the PILOT.
- The annual net benefit to the Town is estimated to be \$26,207. In this case, this is the sum of the average annual PILOT benefit to the Town and new annual sales tax revenue to the Town.
- Through negotiations with the Agency the Applicant could have access to a sales tax exemption valued at up to \$448,431 and a mortgage recording tax exemption valued at up to \$46,313. However, if we assume that the Project would not occur absent IDA benefits, this is not actually a "cost" to the state and county since no future revenue stream would exist without the exemptions.

Table 2

#### **Summary of Costs to Affected Jurisdictions**

	State and County
Sales Tax Exemption	\$ 448,431
Mortgage Tax Exemption	\$ 46,313

Source: Applicant, Camoin Associates



# ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS

The estimates of direct economic activity generated by facility operation and new resident spending as provided by the Applicant were used as the direct inputs for the economic impact model. Camoin Associates uses the input-output model designed by Economic Modeling Specialists, International (Emsi) to calculate total economic impacts. Emsi allows the analyst to input the amount of new direct economic activity (spending or jobs) occurring within the town and uses the direct inputs to estimate the spillover effects that the net new spending or jobs have as these new dollars circulate through the Town of Hempstead's economy. This is captured in the indirect and induced impacts and is commonly referred to as the "multiplier effect." See Attachment A for more information on economic impact analysis.

The Project would have economic impacts upon the Town of Hempstead as a result of Project construction and operation.

#### CONSTRUCTION PHASE IMPACTS

The Applicant estimates that private sector investment in the construction of the Project would cost approximately \$8.4 million<sup>1</sup>, of which 70%<sup>2</sup> would be sourced from within the town. This means that there will be over \$5.9 million in net new spending in the town associated with the construction phase of the Project.

Table 3

Construction Phase Spending - Town								
Total Construction Cost	\$	8,432,000						
Percent Sourced from Town		70%						
Net New Constuction Spending	\$	5,902,400						
Source: Applicant, Camoin Associates								

Based on over \$5.9 million worth of net new direct spending associated with the construction phase of the Project, Camoin Associates determined that there would be nearly \$7.6 million in total one-time construction related spending supporting 29 jobs and an associated over \$3.0 million in earnings over the construction period throughout the town. Table 4 outlines the economic impacts of construction.

#### Table 4

#### **Town Economic Impact - Construction Phase**

	Jobs	Earnings	Sales
Direct	21	\$ 2,470,854	\$ 5,902,400
Indirect	4	\$ 284,152	\$ 907,819
Induced	4	\$ 306,546	\$ 777,434
Total	29	\$ 3,061,551	\$ 7,587,653

Source: Emsi, Camoin Associates

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> According to Emsi, approximately 70% of construction industry demand is met within the town.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes project costs as provided by the Applicant, excluding acquisition, legal fees, and financial charges.

### IMPACTS OF ON-SITE EMPLOYMENT

According to the Applicant, 223 new jobs will be on-site following Project completion. The table below details the impact that these net new jobs will have on the Town of Hempstead (Table 5).

		Т	able 5	
<b>Town Economi</b>	c Impact - On	-Si	te Operations	
	Jobs		Earnings	Sales
Direct	223	\$	27,786,932	\$ 50,200,099
Indirect	70	\$	4,910,732	\$ 12,478,834
Induced	46	\$	3,116,170	\$ 7,881,870
Total	339	\$	35,813,835	\$ 70,560,803

Source: Emsi, Camoin Associates



# FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

In addition to the economic impact of the Project on the local economies (outlined above), there would also be a fiscal impact in terms of annual property tax and sales tax generation. The following section of the analysis outlines the impact of the completion of the Project on the local taxing jurisdictions in terms of the cost and/or benefit to municipal budgets.

#### PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILOT)

The Applicant has applied to the Agency for a Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreement. The Applicant has proposed a 20-year PILOT payment schedule based on the current tax rate, taxable value, and assessed value of the Project. Based on the terms of the PILOT as proposed, Camoin Associates calculated the potential impact on the affected jurisdictions.<sup>3</sup>

Table 6

#### **Tax Payments with PILOT**

		Total	Total Portion of Payment by Jurisdiction							
Year	PI	LOT Payments		Town		County		School District		Village
1	\$	294,147	\$	1,361	\$	18,782	\$	158,921	\$	115,083
2	\$	294,147	\$	1,361	\$	18,782	\$	158,921	\$	115,083
3	\$	294,147	\$	1,361	\$	18,782	\$	158,921	\$	115,083
4	\$	510,000	\$	2,360	\$	32,565	\$	275,541	\$	199,534
5	\$	525,000	\$	2,429	\$	33,523	\$	283,645	\$	205,403
6	\$	530,000	\$	2,452	\$	33,842	\$	286,347	\$	207,359
7	\$	550,000	\$	2,545	\$	35,119	\$	297,152	\$	215,184
8	\$	560,000	\$	2,591	\$	35,758	\$	302,555	\$	219,096
9	\$	585,000	\$	2,707	\$	37,354	\$	316,062	\$	228,877
10	\$	590,000	\$	2,730	\$	37,673	\$	318,763	\$	230,834
11	\$	595,000	\$	2,753	\$	37,993	\$	321,464	\$	232,790
12	\$	610,000	\$	2,822	\$	38,951	\$	329,569	\$	238,658
13	\$	620,000	\$	2,869	\$	39,589	\$	334,971	\$	242,571
14	\$	650,000	\$	3,008	\$	41,505	\$	351,180	\$	254,308
15	\$	700,000	\$	3,239	\$	44,697	\$	378,194	\$	273,870
16	\$	715,000	\$	3,308	\$	45,655	\$	386,298	\$	279,739
17	\$	750,000	\$	3,470	\$	47,890	\$	405,207	\$	293,432
18	\$	755,000	\$	3,493	\$	48,209	\$	407,909	\$	295,389
19	\$	760,000	\$	3,517	\$	48,528	\$	410,610	\$	297,345
20	\$	800,000	\$	3,702	\$	51,083	\$	432,221	\$	312,995
Total	\$	11,687,441	\$	54,078	\$	746,281	\$	6,314,449	\$	4,572,633
Average	\$	584,372	\$	2,704	\$	37,314	\$	315,722	\$	228,632

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> It is assumed that each jurisdiction will continue to receive the same portion of the PILOT that they would currently receive from the full tax bill, if the property were not currently tax exempt.



### TAX POLICY COMPARISON

Without financial assistance from the Agency, Camoin Associates assumes the Applicant would not undertake the Project. Table 7 displays the property tax payment associated with the residential portion of the Project. It is assumed that the property will continue to be tax exempt.

Table 7

	P	Total roperty Tax Payment		Portion of Payment by Jurisdiction						
Year		Without Project*	Town		County		School District		Village	
1	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
2	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
3	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
4	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
5	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
6	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
7	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
8	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
9	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
10	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
11	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
12	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
13	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
14	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
15	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
16	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
17	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
18	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
19	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
20	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Total	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	
Average	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	

**Tax Payments without Project** 



Table 8 calculates the benefit (or cost) to the affected taxing jurisdictions as the difference between the PILOT payments associated with the Project and the property tax payments without the Project. Over \$584,000 more in PILOT revenue will be received annually than property taxes that would be received without the Project. The total benefit would be \$11.7 million over the 20-year period.

Table 8

Year	Property Tax Payment Without Project			ILOT ayment	Benefit (Cost) of Project		
1	\$	-	\$	294,147	\$	294,147	
2	\$	-	\$	294,147	\$	294,147	
3	\$	-	\$	294,147	\$	294,147	
4	\$	-	\$	510,000	\$	510,000	
5	\$	-	\$	525,000	\$	525,000	
6	\$	-	\$	530,000	\$	530,000	
7	\$	-	\$	550,000	\$	550,000	
8	\$	-	\$	560,000	\$	560,000	
9	\$	-	\$	585,000	\$	585,000	
10	\$	-	\$	590,000	\$	590,000	
11	\$	-	\$	595,000	\$	595,000	
12	\$	-	\$	610,000	\$	610,000	
13	\$	-	\$	620,000	\$	620,000	
14	\$	-	\$	650,000	\$	650,000	
15	\$	-	\$	700,000	\$	700,000	
16	\$	-	\$	715,000	\$	715,000	
17	\$	-	\$	750,000	\$	750,000	
18	\$	-	\$	755,000	\$	755,000	
19	\$	-	\$	760,000	\$	760,000	
20	\$	-	\$	800,000	\$	800,000	
Total	\$	-	\$	11,687,441	\$	11,687,441	
Average	\$	-	\$	584,372	\$	584,372	

#### **Tax Policy Comparison (All Jurisdictions)**



#### TOWN

Table 9 calculates the benefit (or cost) to the Town. The Town would receive approximately \$2,704 more in PILOT revenue annually than it would receive in property taxes without the Project. The total benefit to the Town would be over \$54,000 over the 20-year period.

Table 9

#### **Tax Policy Comparison for Town**

Year	Property	Tax Pavment	T Payment	Be	enefit (Cost) of
		thout Project			Project
1	\$	-	\$ 1,361	\$	1,361
2	\$	-	\$ 1,361	\$	1,361
3	\$	-	\$ 1,361	\$	1,361
4	\$	-	\$ 2,360	\$	2,360
5 6	\$	-	\$ 2,429	\$	2,429
6	\$	-	\$ 2,452	\$	2,452
7	\$	-	\$ 2,545	\$	2,545
8	\$	-	\$ 2,591	\$	2,591
9	\$	-	\$ 2,707	\$	2,707
10	\$	-	\$ 2,730	\$	2,730
11	\$	-	\$ 2,753	\$	2,753
12	\$	-	\$ 2,822	\$	2,822
13	\$	-	\$ 2,869	\$	2,869
14	\$	-	\$ 3,008	\$	3,008
15	\$	-	\$ 3,239	\$	3,239
16	\$	-	\$ 3,308	\$	3,308
17	\$	-	\$ 3,470	\$	3,470
18	\$	-	\$ 3,493	\$	3,493
19	\$	-	\$ 3,517	\$	3,517
20	\$	-	\$ 3,702	\$	3,702
Total	\$	-	\$ 54,078	\$	54,078
Average	\$	-	\$ 2,704	\$	2,704



#### COUNTY

Table 10 calculates the benefit (or cost) to the County. The County would receive approximately \$37,314 more in PILOT revenue annually than it would receive in property taxes without the Project. The total benefit to the County would be over \$746,000 over the 20-year period.

Table 10

# Tax Policy Comparison for County Year Property Tax Payment P

Year	Tax Payment P thout Project	PILOT Payment	Bei	nefit (Cost) of Project
1	\$ - 9	\$ 18,782	\$	18,782
2	\$ - 9	\$ 18,782	\$	18,782
3	\$ - 9	\$ 18,782	\$	18,782
4	\$ - 9	\$ 32,565	\$	32,565
5	\$ - 9	\$ 33,523	\$	33,523
6	\$ - 9	\$ 33,842	\$	33,842
7	\$ - 9	\$ 35,119	\$	35,119
8	\$ - 9	\$ 35,758	\$	35,758
9	\$ - 9	\$ 37,354	\$	37,354
10	\$ - 9	\$ 37,673	\$	37,673
11	\$ - 9	\$ 37,993	\$	37,993
12	\$ - 9	\$ 38,951	\$	38,951
13	\$ - 9	\$ 39,589	\$	39,589
14	\$ - 9	\$ 41,505	\$	41,505
15	\$ - 9	\$ 44,697	\$	44,697
16	\$ - 9	\$ 45,655	\$	45,655
17	\$ - 9	\$ 47,890	\$	47,890
18	\$ - 9	\$ 48,209	\$	48,209
19	\$ - 9	\$ 48,528	\$	48,528
20	\$ - 9	\$ 51,083	\$	51,083
Total	\$ - 9	5 746,281	\$	746,281
Average	\$ - 9	\$ 37,314	\$	37,314



#### **SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Table 11 calculates the benefit (or cost) to the school district. The school district would receive approximately \$315,722 more in PILOT revenue annually than it would receive in property taxes without the Project. The total benefit to the school district would be over \$6.3 million over the 20-year period.

Table 11

#### **Tax Policy Comparison for School District**

Year	Property Ta	ax Payment	PII O	r Payment	Be	nefit (Cost) of
		out Project		i i ayment		Project
1	\$	-	\$	158,921	\$	158,921
2	\$	-	\$	158,921	\$	158,921
3	\$	-	\$	158,921	\$	158,921
4	\$	-	\$	275,541	\$	275,541
5	\$	-	\$	283,645	\$	283,645
6	\$	-	\$	286,347	\$	286,347
7	\$	-	\$	297,152	\$	297,152
8	\$	-	\$	302,555	\$	302,555
9	\$	-	\$	316,062	\$	316,062
10	\$	-	\$	318,763	\$	318,763
11	\$	-	\$	321,464	\$	321,464
12	\$	-	\$	329,569	\$	329,569
13	\$	-	\$	334,971	\$	334,971
14	\$	-	\$	351,180	\$	351,180
15	\$	-	\$	378,194	\$	378,194
16	\$	-	\$	386,298	\$	386,298
17	\$	-	\$	405,207	\$	405,207
18	\$	-	\$	407,909	\$	407,909
19	\$	-	\$	410,610	\$	410,610
20	\$	-	\$	432,221	\$	432,221
Total	\$	-	\$	6,314,449	\$	6,314,449
Average	\$	-	\$	315,722	\$	315,722



#### VILLAGE

Table 12 calculates the benefit (or cost) to the Village. The Village would receive approximately \$228,632 more in PILOT revenue annually than it would receive in property taxes without the Project. The total benefit to the Village would be nearly \$4.6 million over the 20-year period.

Table 12

#### **Tax Policy Comparison for Village**

Year	Property 1	Tax Payment PIL	OT Payment	Ber	nefit (Cost) of
		hout Project			Project
1	\$	- \$	115,083	\$	115,083
2	\$	- \$	115,083	\$	115,083
3	\$	- \$	115,083	\$	115,083
4	\$	- \$	199,534	\$	199,534
5	\$	- \$	205,403	\$	205,403
6	\$	- \$	207,359	\$	207,359
7	\$	- \$	215,184	\$	215,184
8	\$	- \$	219,096	\$	219,096
9	\$	- \$	228,877	\$	228,877
10	\$	- \$	230,834	\$	230,834
11	\$	- \$	232,790	\$	232,790
12	\$	- \$	238,658	\$	238,658
13	\$	- \$	242,571	\$	242,571
14	\$	- \$	254,308	\$	254,308
15	\$	- \$	273,870	\$	273,870
16	\$	- \$	279,739	\$	279,739
17	\$	- \$	293,432	\$	293,432
18	\$	- \$	295,389	\$	295,389
19	\$	- \$	297,345	\$	297,345
20	\$	- \$	312,995	\$	312,995
Total	\$	- \$	4,572,633	\$	4,572,633
Average	\$	- \$	228,632	\$	228,632



#### OTHER EXEMPTIONS

There are additional benefits to working with the Agency including a one-time sales tax exemption on construction materials and furniture, fixtures, and equipment as well as a mortgage recording tax exemption. Tax exemptions are for the state and county taxes and are not applicable to the town.

#### Table 13

#### **Summary of Costs to Affected Jurisdictions**

	State and County
Sales Tax Exemption	\$ 448,431
Mortgage Tax Exemption	\$ 46,313

Source: Applicant, Camoin Associates

The additional incentives offered by the Agency would benefit the Applicant but will not negatively affect the taxing jurisdictions because, without the Project, the jurisdictions by definition would not be receiving any associated sales tax or mortgage tax revenue.

#### SALES TAX REVENUE

#### **SALES TAX REVENUE – CONSTRUCTION PHASE**

The one-time construction phase earnings described by the total economic impact of the construction work (described in the above section) would lead to additional sales tax revenue for the Town. It is assumed that 70%<sup>4</sup> of the construction phase earnings would be spent within the county and that 25% of those purchases would be taxable.

One-Time Sales Tax Revenue, Construction Phase					
Total New Earnings	\$	3,061,551			
Amount Spent in County (70%)	\$	2,143,086			
Amount Taxable (25%)	\$	535,771			
Nassau County Sales Tax Revenue (4.25%)		22,770			
New Town Sales Tax Revenue Portion*		0.375%			
New Town Sales Tax Revenue		2,009			

## Table 14

Source: Town of Hempstead IDA, Camoin Associates

\*Note: Nassau County's sales tax rate is 4.25%, of which 0.75% is allocated to the towns and cities within the county. For this analysis we assume half of the 0.75% is allocated to the Town of Hempstead.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> According to Emsi, 70% demand for industries in a typical household spending basket is met within Nassau County.



#### SALES TAX REVENUE – EMPLOYEE EARNINGS

The earnings generated by on-site jobs that will occur as a result of building operation at the Project (described under Impacts of On-Site Employment) would lead to additional annual sales tax revenue for the town. It is assumed that 70% of the earnings would be spent within Nassau County and that 25% of those purchases will be taxable. Table 15 displays the annual tax revenue that the Town will receive.

#### Table 15

#### **Annual Sales Tax Revenue, On-Site Operations**

Total New Earnings	\$	35,813,835			
Amount Spent in County (70%)	\$	25,069,684			
Amount Taxable (25%)	\$	6,267,421			
Nassau County Sales Tax Revenue (4.25%)	\$	266,365			
New Town Sales Tax Revenue Portion*		0.375%			
New Town Tax Revenue	\$	23,503			

Source: Town of Hempstead IDA, Camoin Associates

**\*Note:** Nassau County's sales tax rate is 4.25%, of which 0.75% is allocated to the towns and cities within the county. For this analysis we assume half of the 0.75% is allocated to the Town of Hempstead.



## ATTACHMENT A: WHAT IS ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS?

The purpose of conducting an economic impact study is to ascertain the total cumulative changes in employment, earnings and output in a given economy due to some initial "change in final demand". To understand the meaning of "change in final demand", consider the installation of a new widget manufacturer in Anytown, USA. The widget manufacturer sells \$1 million worth of its widgets per year exclusively to consumers in Canada. Therefore, the annual change in final demand in the United States is \$1 million because dollars are flowing in from outside the United States and are therefore "new" dollars in the economy.

This change in final demand translates into the first round of buying and selling that occurs in an economy. For example, the widget manufacturer must buy its inputs of production (electricity, steel, etc.), must lease or purchase property and pay its workers. This first round is commonly referred to as the "Direct Effects" of the change in final demand and is the basis of additional rounds of buying and selling described below.

To continue this example, the widget manufacturer's vendors (the supplier of electricity and the supplier of steel) will enjoy additional output (i.e. sales) that will sustain their businesses and cause them to make additional purchases in the economy. The steel producer will need more pig iron and the electric company will purchase additional power from generation entities. In this second round, some of those additional purchases will be made in the US economy and some will "leak out". What remains will cause a third round (with leakage) and a fourth (and so on) in everdiminishing rounds of industry-to-industry purchases. Finally, the widget manufacturer has employees who will naturally spend their wages. Again, those wages spent will either be for local goods and services or will "leak" out of the economy. The purchases of local goods and services will then stimulate other local economic activity. Together, these effects are referred to as the "Indirect Effects" of the change in final demand.

Therefore, the total economic impact resulting from the new widget manufacturer is the initial \$1 million of new money (i.e. Direct Effects) flowing in the US economy, plus the Indirect Effects. The ratio of Total Effects to Direct Effects is called the "multiplier effect" and is often reported as a dollar-of-impact per dollar-of-change. Therefore, a multiplier of 2.4 means that for every dollar (\$1) of change in final demand, an additional \$1.40 of indirect economic activity occurs for a total of \$2.40.

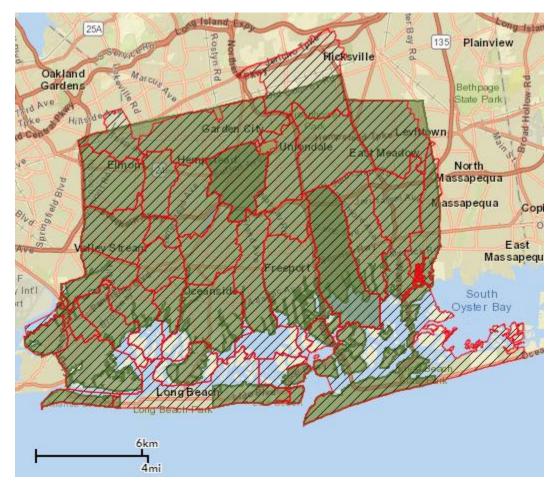
Key information for the reader to retain is that this type of analysis requires rigorous and careful consideration of the geography selected (i.e. how the "local economy" is defined) and the implications of the geography on the computation of the change in final demand. If this analysis wanted to consider the impact of the widget manufacturer on the entire North American continent, it would have to conclude that the change in final demand is zero and therefore the economic impact is zero. This is because the \$1 million of widgets being purchased by Canadians is not causing total North American demand to increase by \$1 million. Presumably, those Canadian purchasers will have \$1 million less to spend on other items and the effects of additional widget production will be cancelled out by a commensurate reduction in the purchases of other goods and services.

Changes in final demand, and therefore Direct Effects, can occur in a number of circumstances. The above example is easiest to understand: the effect of a manufacturer producing locally but selling globally. If, however, 100% of domestic demand for a good is being met by foreign suppliers (say, DVD players being imported into the US from Korea and Japan), locating a manufacturer of DVD players in the US will cause a change in final demand because all of those dollars currently leaving the US economy will instead remain. A situation can be envisioned whereby a producer is serving both local and foreign demand, and an impact analysis would have to be careful in calculating how many "new" dollars the producer would be causing to occur domestically.



## ATTACHMENT B: STUDY AREAS

Town of Hempstead (Green) and Zip Code Region (Red outline with dashes)





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