

# SAND LAKE HAMLETS MASTER PLAN



Conceptual illustration of the Hamlet of Averill Park in the Town of Sand Lake, New York.

**Total Study Cost:** \$55,000 (\$41,250 federal, \$13,750 local cash match)

**Description:** The Town of Sand Lake is a town in transition. Once primarily rural, the town is taking on a more suburban character that is placing development pressure on the three historic hamlets of Sand Lake, Averill Park, and West Sand Lake. The Route 43 corridor traverses these three hamlets and is the present and historical backbone of the community. It acts as a major commuting route for residents working in Albany and points west and over time traffic has increased along with high levels of truck traffic from local mining activities. Within the hamlets, this has created conflicts with pedestrian-oriented businesses and a context that is more like a village than a suburban town. The purpose of this study is to address vehicular and traffic concerns at key intersections, identify potential pedestrian/bicycle improvements within the hamlets, and increase pedestrian connectivity between the hamlets. The proposed recommendations include hamlet circulation plans with a particular focus on bicycle and pedestrian issues, and transportation alternatives/proposed concepts including potential roundabouts, access management, streetscape improvements, trail connections, and pedestrian improvements.

This study was completed in February 2011.

For more information, visit: <http://www.cdtcmpo.org/linkage/materials/sandlake.pdf>.

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