

ALBANY INTERMODAL CENTER PLANNING STUDY



Potential site of a Rail Station in the City of Albany, New York

Total Study Cost: \$102,000 (\$85,000 consultant effort plus \$17,000 in local in-kind services)

Description: For a time, developing a commuter rail system in Saratoga and Albany Counties was a very real possibility. As a result, the City of Albany was interested in investigating the potential for an intermodal center that would also serve as a catalyst project for the redevelopment of the City's North Waterfront. The intermodal center would incorporate rail, bus and taxi services at one location for easy access and transfers. However, just prior to the launch of this study, the commuter rail initiative was shelved. As a result, the funds for this study were used to support the City's *North Waterfront Redevelopment Strategy*, which included an investigation of the intermodal center concept as well as variety of land use and transportation issues. The study found that if commuter rail is revived in the region, the intermodal center would deserve further investigation. A potential site for such a center may be adjacent to I-787 near Quackenbush Square.

This study was completed in April 2002.

To request a copy of the final report, contact CDTC at (518) 458-2161.

Sponsors: CDTC and City of Albany

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