

STATUS OF LINKAGE AND OTHER CAPITAL REGION PLANNING STUDIES AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 2014
Agenda Item XIII(H)

STUDY NAME AND LOCATION	CONSULTANT/ STUDY COST	STATUS	NEXT STEPS	CONTACT
ALBANY COUNTY--LINKAGE STUDIES				
1. Albany Complete Streets Policy Design Manual	Consultant to be Selected \$90,000	New project funded in the 2014-2015 Linkage Program. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was returned to CDTC in July.	A scope of work is expected to be finalized in November.	Kate Lawrence, City of Albany Carrie Ward, CDTC Chris Bauer, CDTC
2. New Scotland Hamlet Zoning Refinements and Design Guidelines	URS \$70,000	The consultant evaluation team met and chose URS Corp.	A study kick-off meeting will be scheduled in November.	Dan McKay, Town of New Scotland Jen Ceponis, CDTC Sree Nampoothiri, CDTC
3. Town of Guilderland: Westmere Corridor Study	IBI Group \$68,000	Study kick-off meeting was held on October 28th.	Consultant will carry out existing condition analyses before meeting the SAC again.	Donald Csaposs, Town of Guilderland Sree Nampoothiri, CDTC Chris O'Neill, CDTC

ALBANY COUNTY-- OTHER STUDIES (non-Linkage)				
1. City of Albany LWRP Update	City of Albany, Wallace Roberts & Todd & Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. - \$130,000 through NYSDOS		The LWRP Update is currently on hold so that the City can better align it with the City's Zoning Code Update.	Chris Spencer, City of Albany Kate Lawrence, City of Albany
2. City of Albany Unified Sustainable Development Ordinance	Consultant to be Selected	The City interviewed four consultant teams as part of the RFQ process.	An RFP for the project was out in August with a September deadline. Contract with NYSERDA is pending review by their legal department.	Chris Spencer, City of Albany Bradley Glass, City of Albany

RENSSELAER COUNTY--LINKAGE STUDIES				
1. Schodack Town Center Zoning Code Amendments and Site Design Guidelines	Consultant to be Selected \$45,000	New project funded in the 2014-2015 Linkage Program.	The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was executed in October 2014. Work to begin in the next few months.	Nadine Fuda, Town of Schodack Sandy Misiewicz, CDTC Robert Wetmore, CDTC

RENSSELAER COUNTY-- OTHER STUDIES (non-Linkage)				
1. City of Troy Comprehensive Plan	Urban Strategies, Inc. \$750,000	The consultant and the City of Troy have launched a website and Facebook page for the comprehensive plan update. http://www.realizetroy.com/	The next round of public engagement will be November 19 and 20.	Bill Dunne, City of Troy

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SARATOGA COUNTY--LINKAGE STUDIES

1. Clifton Park Town Center Strategic Zoning Code Revisions	Behan Planning & Design \$70,000	The study advisory committee and Town staff continues to revise the draft zoning language. The town will provide an updated schedule for adoption in the next month or so.	Behan Planning's role with the zoning code under the Linkage contract should be wrapped up by the end of 2014.	John Scavo, Town of Clifton Park Sandy Misiewicz, CDTC
2. Malta Route 9 Reconfiguration Feasibility Study	Consultant to be Selected \$40,000	Development of scope was delayed in order to progress CDTC New Visions and bridge preservation tasks. CDTC and Town Planning staffs met with NYSDOT Traffic & Safety staff to confirm technical issues related to the road reconfiguration that were outlined in an earlier DOT letter.	Based on the outcome of scoping meetings with NYSDOT, CDTC will construct a formal scope of services for the study for discussion with the Town. The REI for the study will be developed and advertised in the Contract Reporter later this Fall.	Tony Tozzi, Town of Malta Dave Jukins, CDTC Robert Wetmore, CDTC
3. Saratoga Springs Bicycle, Pedestrian and Public Transit Master Plan	Consultant to be Selected \$60,000	The signed Memorandum of Understanding has been received by CDTC from the City. CDTC and the City began the data collection component and met over the summer to discuss the draft scope.	CDTC has begun to collect additional data for the study. The City and CDTC have begun work on a scope for the project and will finalize this fall when the Comprehensive Plan is closer to completion. This study will be coordinated with CDTA's City of Saratoga Route Restructuring effort.	Kate Maynard, City of Saratoga Springs Anne Benware, CDTC Chris Bauer, CDTC
4. Stillwater Route 4 Zoning and Site Design Standards	Consultant to be Selected \$90,000	The Memorandum of Understanding for the project was returned to CDTC by the town.	The project will be initiated in 2015 following the advancement of the Town's Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan.	Ed Kinowski, Town of Stillwater Carrie Ward, CDTC Sandy Misiewicz, CDTC

SARATOGA COUNTY-- OTHER STUDIES (non-Linkage)

1. Saratoga Springs Comprehensive Plan Update	MJ Engineering	The comprehensive plan committee continues to meet monthly to review the draft documents which are available on the City's website at: http://www.saratoga-springs.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=905 .	The committee continues to refine the draft sections of the plan and is beginning work on the implementation section.	Brad Birge, City of Saratoga Springs
2. Stillwater LWRP	To be determined	The NYS Department of State has given the go ahead to begin work.	The advisory committee is being formed. Once complete, a kick off meeting will be scheduled.	Ed Kinowski, Town of Stillwater Carrie Ward, CDTC

REGIONAL PROJECTS

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1. Canal Recreationway Plan Update	Canal Corporation	The Canal Corporation is undertaking an effort to update the Canal Recreationway Plan. The timeline is to have a Plan Supplement/update completed by 12/15.	The Graduate Planning studio class at U-Albany is currently undertaking a public outreach effort and has conducted interviews with key stakeholders along the canal corridor seeking their input on investment opportunities they would like to see explored, what actions they would recommend, and what role their organization can play to implement the updated plan. The information gathered will be provided to the selected consultant team as they embark on the Plan update. A consultant has not yet been selected.	John Di Mura, Canal Corporation Sharon Leighton, Canal Corporation Rocky Ferraro, CDRPC
2. Climate Smart Communities Program	CDRPC staff with VHB and Climate Action Associates \$290,944 from NYSERDA	CDRPC received funding for the second year of a three-year grant from NYSERDA to manage the Climate Smart Communities Regional Coordinator Pilot Program for six counties in the Capital Region (Albany, Columbia, Greene, Rensselaer, Saratoga and Schenectady). The primary purpose of the grant is to provide technical support to the 18 communities in the region that have taken the Climate Smart Communities pledge.	The second year of the program was completed on May 22, 2014. During the second year, a program execution plan was updated; a Climate Smart Communities web page was created www.cdrpc.org/CSC.html ; technical support was provided to CSC participants, including the updating of community profiles, assistance with utilizing the regional greenhouse gas inventory, and the development of custom service strategies. Marketing of the program and recruitment of new participants was also undertaken during the year. CDRPC is awaiting a third year contract from NYSERDA.	Todd Fabozzi, CDRPC
3. I-787 Livable Corridor Planning Study	CHA with Creighton Manning Engineering, MKSK and Fitzgerald & Halliday \$320,000 (TCSP, NYSDOT and City of Albany funds) \$100,000 CDTC planning funds	A project development meeting was held with the consultant, CDTC, NYSDOT and the City of Albany to discuss CHA's existing condition and life cycle cost analysis approach for the Study.	The project team is exploring the approach used to assess bridges on the I-81 project, NYSDOT will run their Needs Tool for five and twenty year scenarios and a discussion will be had on how to represent this information visually to the public. Stakeholder interviews will begin in the coming months.	Mike Franchini, CDTC Sandy Misiewicz, CDTC Rob Cherry, NYSDOT
4. Regional Freight and Goods Movement Study	Resource Systems Group, Inc. \$200,000 CDTC planning funds	CDTC released a RFP on June 27, 2014, with the deadline for responses set for July 11, 2014. CDTC received proposals from four (4) consultant teams, and subsequently the Selection Committee interviewed 2 teams. The Selection Committee unanimously chose Resource Systems Group, Inc. (RSG) to complete the project.	CDTC is currently in the process of fully executing a contract with RSG. The first step in development of the Regional Freight & Goods Movement Study will be to hold a kickoff meeting, tentatively scheduled for November 12, 2014.	Mike Franchini, CDTC Chris Bauer, CDTC

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5. Local Bridge Preservation Assessment	CDM Smith with CDTC/NYS DOT staff support \$87,000 TIP-funded	Purpose of the study is to assist county & municipal bridge owners in identifying preservation treatments for locally-owned bridges for TIP consideration. The study was started in September. CDM met with CDTC's Bridge Group to discuss study approach. Bridge evaluations are well underway.	Bridge evaluations will be completed in November. An Excel spreadsheet with pertinent bridge data, and fact sheets for each candidate bridge will be prepared, distributed, and discussed. Draft report expected by the end of November. Preliminary results will be used in an early bridge preservation TIP solicitation.	Dave Jukins, CDTC Robert Wetmore, CDTC
6. Saratoga County Traffic Study	Creighton Manning Engineering, The Chazen Companies, HDR, and Fitzgerald & Halliday, Inc. \$500,000 local funds and National Grid grant	Held Kick-Off meeting, and determined study boundaries. Consultants developing meeting flyer and project website, and meeting with municipalities to confirm development and growth projections.	Public Information Meeting on November 5, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Malta Community Center, 1 Bayberry Drive, Malta.	Mike Franchini, CDTC

7. New Visions 2040 Long-Range, Regional Transportation Plan Marketing and Public Affairs Services	Zone5 \$150,000 CDTC planning funds	Met with 9 New Visions Committees to identify strategies and issues.	Developing Public Participation Plan.	Mike Franchini, CDTC
8. Integrated Corridor Management (ICM) Plan for the I-87/US 9 Corridor	Parsons Brinckerhoff with Creighton Manning Engineering and Dr. Jack Reilly \$368,777 State Planning and Research Funds	A draft final report was received from the consultant.	Approval of the draft final report. The report will be integrated into the New Visions Plan update public review process.	Rob Cherry, NYSDOT Chris O'Neill, CDTC