



TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PROGRAM UPDATE

MEETING SUMMARY

Purpose: LWRP Update – Public Workshop #2
Date and Time: April 26, 2017 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Location: Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar
Attendees: See Attachment A

Agenda Item	Discussion
<p>Overview</p>	<p>On Tuesday, April 25, 2017, the Town of Bethlehem held the second public workshop for the Town of Bethlehem Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP) Update and the Henry Hudson Park Master Plan Update. The workshop was held from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Town Hall at 445 Delaware Avenue. Over 40 residents, property owners, and other stakeholders participated in the event (see Attachment A for sign-in sheets).</p> <p>The public workshop included a series of activity stations that introduced the project and gathered feedback on proposed land uses and proposed projects/recommendations. A formal presentation outlining the project and the intentions of the meeting was given.</p> <p>Public Workshop: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Formal Presentation: 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm</p>
<p>Open House Activity Stations</p>	<p><u>Activity Station 1: About the Project</u> This station provided information about the LWRP Update. The board displayed at this station provided an overview of the program as well as its intended purpose and outcome. Additionally, an aerial map of the proposed Waterfront Revitalization Area (WRA) and a looping project presentation was provided.</p> <p><u>Activity Station 2: New York State Coastal Policies</u> This station provided information about the New York State’s State Coastal Policies. The New York State Department of State (NYS DOS) administers the Coastal Management Program. This program provides a means for improving coordination between each level of government (local, state, federal), in part by spelling out 44 coastal policy statements. This approach ensures that future actions in the coastal area will not interfere with the State’s long-term commitment to achieve the most beneficial use of coastal resources for society.</p>

Each of the 44 statements promotes the beneficial use of coastal resources, prevents their impairment, or deals with major activities that substantially affect numerous resources. In all cases, State agency actions are required to be consistent with the approved Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP) upon approval by the Secretary of State. The approval of the LWRP also means that the proposed Waterfront Revitalization Area (WRA) will become the new coastal area boundary, hence the need for consistency review. The 44 coastal policy statements were listed on two presentation boards at this station for review by meeting participants.

Activity Station 3: Proposed Land Uses

This station allowed meeting participants to provide input on future land uses. A proposed land uses map was provided at this station for meeting participants to mark up (see **Attachment B**). In addition to the proposed land uses map, three existing conditions maps were provided at this station to provide some context for the proposed land uses. The existing land use map, existing zoning map, and sensitive environmental features map were provided.

The eight (8) proposed land uses are:

- Residential
- Industrial
- Rural Mixed Use
- Low Density Residential/Open Space
- Agricultural/Natural Resource
- Commercial Mixed Use
- Rural Commercial Mixed Use
- Commercial Light Industrial Mixed Use

In addition to these eight (8) proposed land uses, there are two (2) proposed Waterfront Area Gateways and one (1) proposed Activity Node. The proposed Waterfront Area Gateways would let visitors to the area know they have arrived at the waterfront area, typically through signage and marketing efforts. The northern proposed gateway is proposed for the Corning Hill Road area. The southern proposed gateway is proposed for the New York State (NYS) Thruway Exit 22 area. The activity node is proposed for the intersection of NYS Route 144/River Road and Clapper Road/Barent Winne Road.

The proposed land uses largely reflect existing conditions within the proposed Waterfront Revitalization Area (WRA). Each proposed land use was developed by taking into consideration the following resources:

- 2010 LWRP Proposed Land Uses
- LWRP Vision Statement
- LWRP Project Goals
- LWRP Existing Conditions Inventory and Analysis
- Local Waterfront Revitalization Advisory Group (LWRAG) Comment
- Public Comment

	<p><u>Activity Station 4: Proposed Projects and Recommendations</u> This station allowed meeting participants to identify priorities through a dot exercise as well as share their ideas about proposed projects and recommendations in a blank comment area.</p> <p>Each proposed project and recommendation was categorized into one of the following eight (8) topic areas in no particular order:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Zoning and Land Use ▪ Infrastructure ▪ Natural and Environmental Resources and Water Quality ▪ Historic, Cultural, and Scenic Resources ▪ Open Space, Public Access, Recreation, and Tourism ▪ Economic Development ▪ Resiliency ▪ Waterfront Revitalization Partners <p>Similar to the proposed land uses, each proposed project and recommendation was developed by taking into consideration the following resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2010 LWRP Proposed Projects and Recommendations ▪ LWRP Vision Statement ▪ LWRP Project Goals ▪ LWRP Existing Conditions Inventory and Analysis ▪ Local Waterfront Revitalization Advisory Group (LWRAG) Comment ▪ Public Comment <p><u>Activity Station 5: Henry Hudson Park Master Plan</u> This station allowed meeting participants to weigh in on the draft Henry Hudson Park Master Plan update and the associated recommendations.</p>
<p>Written Comment Card Comments</p>	<p>In addition to gathering input via maps and station boards, meeting participants had the opportunity to provide input on written comment cards. The following written comments were received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Maintain open space and nature ▪ Hard line between industrial and residential areas ▪ Trails along Vloman Kill south end of Henry Hudson Park ▪ Cedar Hill sewer and infrastructure
<p>Station 3: Proposed Land Use Map Comments</p>	<p>The following proposed land use map comments were received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Extend Bike Trail to Henry Hudson Park ▪ A marine this side of Hudson – Yannis Too ▪ Protect buffer zone between Wheeler Road north to Industrial area ▪ If more commercial, how about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Coffee shop ○ Book shop ○ Independent ○ No big box ▪ Route 144 is a nightmare

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ In favor of higher density residential that would attract professional singles to diversify this community ▪ No passing lane as you pull out of Wheeler Road ▪ Explore connecting low volume roads in the Mosher Road area south to Barent Winne Road ▪ Clapper Road and Route 144/River Road – good spot for crossing– will require lowering the speed limit on either side of a crosswalk ▪ Outline bike trails – possibly use residential roads like in Old Delmar. More connecting would be great, but not absolutely necessary. Would be excellent if connecting to Rail Trail.
<p>Station 4: Proposed Projects/ Recommendations Comments</p>	<p>The following proposed projects and recommendations comments were received:</p> <p><u>Zoning and Land Use</u></p> <p><i>Continue to expand voluntary land conservation initiatives in the southern portion of the waterfront area (such as conservation easements, acquisitions, and programming</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Priority Dot Count: 10 ▪ Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wemple Road – Turn off NYS Route 144/River Road to Delmar <p><i>Develop design guidelines for rural roadways (such as Clapper Road and Weisheit Road)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Priority Dot Count: 0 ▪ Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Should include at least wide shoulder for bike usage ○ Counterpoint is that wider roads can encourage higher speeds and change the character of the roadway ○ Then make designated bike lanes on the roadway <p><i>Update zoning to reflect LWRP recommendations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Priority Dot Count: 0 ▪ Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No additional comments received. <p><u>Infrastructure</u></p> <p><i>Perform corridor study for the NYS Route 144/River Road corridor to assess improvements related to speed reduction, safe crossings, and access for bikes and pedestrians</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Priority Dot Count: 8 ▪ Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Extremely unsafe on 144 – pedestrian, biker, or driver. People speed, and it is dashed line end of Wheeler. Many near accidents.

Evaluate opportunities to reduce wastewater treatment plant odors and upgrade existing plant

- Priority Dot Count: 3
- Comments:
 - No additional comments received.

Natural and Environmental Resources and Water Quality

Protect and restore fish and wildlife habitats

- Priority Dot Count: 7
- Comments:
 - Rebuild and protect the shoreline in residential areas on Van Wies Point
 - Deer overpopulation – hunting should be normalized to rural area (west of 144) instead of being counted as city limits east of 144. Control Lyme.

Continue to protect water quality of the Hudson River and tributaries (stormwater regulations, non-point source pollution, etc.)

- Priority Dot Count: 13
- Comments:
 - Sewer and water on Van Wies Point
 - Fire hydrants
 - Natural gas
 - Street lights
 - This is the actual waterfront

Historic, Cultural, and Scenic Resources

Develop a heritage and nature-based tourism strategy with regional partners

- Priority Dot Count: 7
- Comments:
 - Protect historic sites

Develop a scenic overlay district to preserve and improve viewing opportunities of the Taconic Mountains and the Hudson River

- Priority Dot Count: 5
- Comments:
 - No additional comments received.

Create self-guided history tour

- Priority Dot Count: 2
- Comments:
 - No additional comments received.

Open Space, Public Access, Recreation, and Tourism

Establish gateways for the waterfront area (provide signage, landscaping, informational kiosks, etc.)

- Priority Dot Count: 1
- Comments:
 - No additional comments received.

Develop a multi-use path along NYS Route 144.Rive Road

- Priority Dot Count: 3
- Comments:
 - No additional comments received.

Explore options for developing a riverfront trail along the length of the Hudson River

- Priority Dot Count: 6
- Comments:
 - Multi-use trail (hiking, biking, etc.)
 - Yes! ^

Partner with property owners along waterfront to enhance public access (Moh-He-Con-Nuck Nature Preserve, Glenmont Job Corps Facility, etc.)

- Priority Dot Count: 3
- Comments:
 - Moh-He-Con-Nuck Nature Preserve access to River

Provide safe bike and pedestrian connections to the waterfront (possible route: Wemple Road to Weisheit Road to Clapper Road)

- Priority Dot Count: 5
- Comments:
 - No additional comments received.

Partner with Scenic Hudson to enhance public access to the Baker Farm Site

- Priority Dot Count: 5
- Comments:
 - Adaptive reuse of historic house and barn
 - Yes, agree, historic farm

Economic Development

Support growth of existing businesses and industry

- Priority Dot Count: 3
- Comments:
 - No additional comments received.

Enhance marine-based commercial and industrial activities in the northern portion of the waterfront area

- Priority Dot Count: 2
- Comments:
 - No additional comments received.

Establish new business activities where appropriate

- Priority Dot Count: 6
- Comments:
 - Riverfront restaurant – I second this idea!

Resiliency

Plan for the impact of projected sea-level rise on improvements along waterfront

- Priority Dot Count: 11
- Comments:
 - No additional comments received.

Enhance resiliency of public infrastructure (elevate mechanicals, flood-proof buildings, etc.)

- Priority Dot Count: 3
- Comments:
 - Flooding at Henry Hudson Park
 - Sewer and Water

Provide education opportunities to private businesses along the waterfront to build resiliency

- Priority Dot Count: 2
- Comments:
 - No additional comments received.

Waterfront Revitalization Partners

Coordinate with neighboring communities on riverfront development initiatives

- Priority Dot Count: 6
- Comments:
 - What's on opposite shore of the Hudson? Any opportunity to connect particularly for boaters to be attracted to area?
 - How about including pr partnering with the neighborhoods in the Town along the river first?

Partner with neighboring municipalities to designate a portion of NYS Route 144/River Road as a NYS Scenic Byway

- Priority Dot Count: 2
- Comments:
 - No additional comments received.

	<p><i>Partner with state and federal agencies to implement recommendations related to NYS Route 144/River Road (NYSDOT, NYSDEC, etc.)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Priority Dot Count: 8 ▪ Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No additional comments received. <p>Based on the dot priority exercise, the following list represents the top five (5) proposed projects and recommendations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Continue to protect water quality of the Hudson River and tributaries (stormwater regulations, non-point source pollution, etc.) (13)</i> 2. <i>Plan for the impact of projected sea-level rise on improvements along waterfront (11)</i> 3. <i>Continue to expand voluntary land conservation initiatives in the southern portion of the waterfront area (such as conservation easements, acquisitions, and programming (10)</i> 4. <i>Perform corridor study for the NYS Route 144.River Road corridor to assess improvements related to speed reduction, safe crossings, and access for bikes and pedestrians (8)</i> 4. <i>Partner with state and federal agencies to implement recommendations related to NYS Route 144/River Road (NYSDOT, NYSDEC, etc.) (8)</i> 5. <i>Protect and restore fish and wildlife habitats (7)</i> 5. <i>Develop a heritage and nature-based tourism strategy with regional partners (7)</i>
<p>Station 5: Henry Hudson Park Master Plan Comments</p>	<p>The following comments regarding the draft Henry Hudson Park Master Plan were received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Possibility to park closer to waterfront <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Possibly at Northern point to avoid any pedestrians ▪ Enhanced Plantings possibly done and maintained by community members ▪ Could we utilize the forest with a navigation course? (teaching kids survival and use of compass) ▪ Could we utilize the forest with mountain biking system? ▪ Natural playground flood resiliency and flood resiliency in general ▪ Canoe/Kayak rentals ▪ What will bring boaters already on the Hudson into the park? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Would require parking docks. ▪ Get the softball field updated and into a club team rotation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Volleyball as well ▪ Advertise geocaching ▪ What sort of Economic boosters could we implement at HHP? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dinner/Boat Cruise ○ Food Trucks ○ Bait and Tackle ○ Canoe/kayak rentals ○ Concerts at New Pavilion ▪ Look into power line ROW for connection opportunity ▪ How will the shoreline stabilization be implemented with this design

<p>Other Ideas</p>	<p>A blank easel pad was provided for meeting participants to share other ideas they may have for the proposed WRA. The following other ideas comments were received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Severe erosion in Van Wies Point Area – has increased in recent years due to shipping from the Port of Albany. Need shore rehabilitation. ▪ Henry Hudson Park shore stabilization ▪ Use funds for projects along the river such as sewer and water, hydrants, gas, street lights on Van Wies Point and other residential areas ▪ Business spaces for local artisans – painters, woodcrafters, etc. ▪ Offer dinner cruises ▪ Adventure tourism
<p>Presentation</p>	<p>A formal presentation followed by Q&A took place midway through the open house.</p> <p>The presentation included a welcome introduction by John Clarkson, Town Supervisor. Project Manager, Jaclyn Hakes from MJ Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C. (MJ) introduced the advisory committee and project team. Ms. Hakes led an overview of the LWRP program, project goals, scope, process, schedule, and next steps.</p> <p>Attendees were encouraged to visit the activity stations after the presentation to provide input and shared their ideas. See Attachment C for the meeting presentation.</p> <p>Following the presentation, participants were provided the opportunity to ask questions or share comments. Below is a list of the questions and comments expressed during the Q&A session of the presentation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ What economic development benefits are going to result? ▪ A concern was expressed regarding the proposed WRA not being all waterfront property. That there is no relationship to properties west of NYS Route 144/River Road. ▪ A concern about the lack of water, sewer, and gas infrastructure within the proposed WRA was raised. The Van Wies Point area was specifically identified. This could result in future development within this area of the proposed WRA.
<p>Next Steps</p>	<p>Next steps for the project include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Summarize Public Input ▪ Schedule LWRAG Meeting #9 ▪ Refine Proposed Land Uses ▪ Refine Proposed Projects and Recommendations

This meeting summary conveys our understanding of the items discussed and agreements reached at this meeting. Please forward any additions, corrections and/or questions to my attention.

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cc: Town of Bethlehem Planning Division Staff, Local Waterfront Revitalization Advisory Group (LWRAG),
New York State Department of State (NYS DOS) Representative, File

For additional project information, please visit the following link:

<http://www.townofbethlehem.org/746/Local-Waterfront-Revitalization-Advisory>

Attachment A: Sign-In Sheets

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Attachment B: Draft Proposed Land Use Map



Waterfront Area Gateway

Gateway Commercial Mixed Use

Priority Land Uses
 ✓ Single Family Residential
 ✓ Neighborhood

Priority Land Uses
 ✓ Industrial
 ✓ Commercial

Rural Commercial Mixed Use

Priority Land Uses
 ✓ Agriculture
 ✓ Single Family Residential
 ✓ Small Business

Priority Land Uses
 ✓ Single Family Residential
 ✓ Neighborhood
 ✓ Open Space
 ✓ Recreation

Priority Land Uses
 ✓ Single Family Residential
 ✓ Neighborhood

Commercial Light Industrial Mixed Use

Activity Node
 ✓ Future Bike/Pedestrian Crossing
 ✓ Entrance to Henry Hudson Park
 ✓ Henry Hudson Park Support Services
 ✓ Cultural Area (Historical Association)

Priority Land Uses
 ✓ Agriculture
 ✓ Conserved Lands
 ✓ Single Family Residential

Waterfront Area Gateway

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Local Waterfront Revitalization Program Update

Proposed Land Uses

April 2017

- 2016 Proposed Waterfront Revitalization Area
- Municipal Boundaries
- Roads
- Railways
- Rivers and Streams

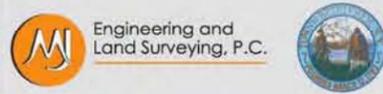
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Sources:
 Esri
 NAIP 2015 Imagery
 NYS ITS
 Town of Bethlehem



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Attachment C: Public Workshop #2 Presentation

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LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PROGRAM UPDATE & HENRY HUDSON PARK MASTER PLAN UPDATE

OPEN HOUSE/PUBLIC WORKSHOP #2
APRIL 25, 2017



AGENDA

1. Welcome / Introductions
2. LWRP Program Overview
3. Project Overview
4. Project Scope / Process
5. Schedule
6. Open House Stations
8. Next Steps



PROJECT TEAM



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- Town of Bethlehem
- NYS Department of State (DOS)
- Local Waterfront Revitalization Advisory Group (LWRAG)
- MJ Engineering / PLACE Alliance Consultant Team



LWRAG MEMBERS

LWRAG members include:

Name	Affiliation
Ann Morin	Glenmont Job Corps
Charlotte Buchanan	Van Wies Point Resident
David VanLuven	Town Board
Jeff Anzevino	Scenic Hudson
Joan Gavrilik	Friend of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation
Joann Dawson	Former Town Board Member
John Clarkson	Town Supervisor
John Sherman	Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy
John Smolinsky	Planning Board Chairman
Lisa Evans	Waterfront Resident
Mark Poole	Innovative Surface Solutions
Maureen Cunningham	Hudson River Watershed Alliance/Town Resident
Nan Lanahan	Parks and Recreation
Nava Tabak	Scenic Hudson
Peter Thomas	Friends of the Rail Trail
Sam Messina	Former Town Supervisor
William Clancy	PSEG



LWRP PROGRAM OVERVIEW



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- Local Waterfront Revitalization Program* (**LWRP**)
- **Voluntary program** established to implement the NYS Waterfront Revitalization of Coastal Area and Inland Waterways Act and participate in the NYS Coastal Management Program
- Intended to **guide the future of waterfront communities** regarding land use, growth, economic development, and environmental conservation



* Department of State program identified in NYS Executive Law Article 42



LWRP PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Reflects **Community Consensus** and Aligns with Local Plans and Programs
- Provides Clear Direction for **Appropriate Future Development**
- Step by Step **Process for Implementation**
- Establishes Long-Term **Partnerships**
- Requires **consistency review**: Any State/Federal permitting, funding or direct actions must be consistent with approved LWRP to extent practicable



PROJECT OVERVIEW



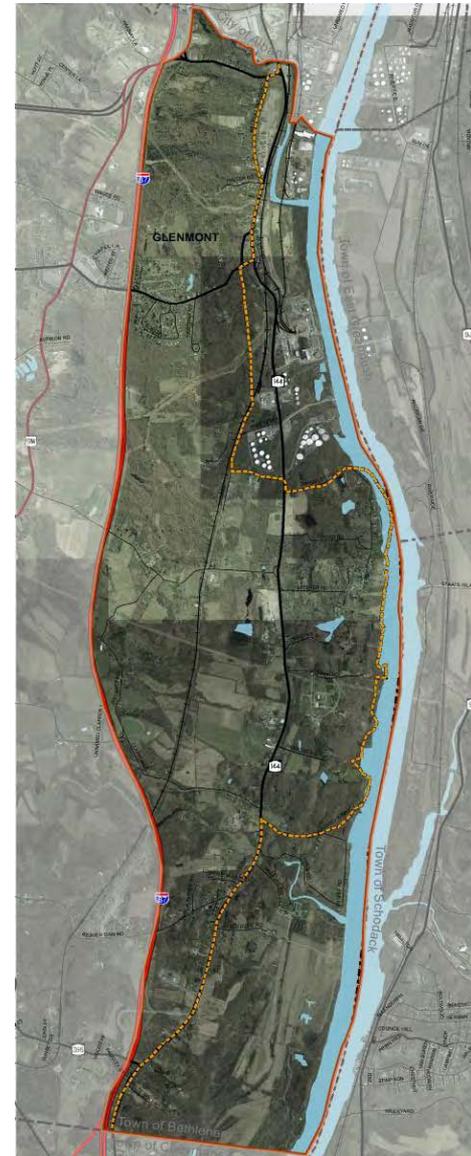
PROJECT OVERVIEW

- Update to 2010 LWRP draft
- Community Engagement
- Result is a document including:
 - Existing Conditions Evaluation
 - Mapping
 - Opportunities/Needs Identification
 - Projects/Recommendations
 - Implementation Steps



PROJECT GOALS

1. Encourage New Economic Activity
2. Improve Public Access
3. Increase Recreational Use of River
4. Protect and Restore Natural Resources
5. Address Climate Change
6. Evaluate Water Level in Relation to Development
7. Support Sustainability and Resiliency



DRAFT WATERFRONT VISION

*Bethlehem celebrates and promotes the unique and diverse **character of its historic 10-mile waterfront** on the Hudson River. Actions in this area are governed by a Local Waterfront Revitalization Program -- the result of bold planning -- which addresses promoting **sustainable economic growth**, preserving the diverse character and **ecological resources** of this area, improving public awareness and **access to the waterfront**, enhancing related **public recreational opportunities**, and building long-term **resiliency**.*

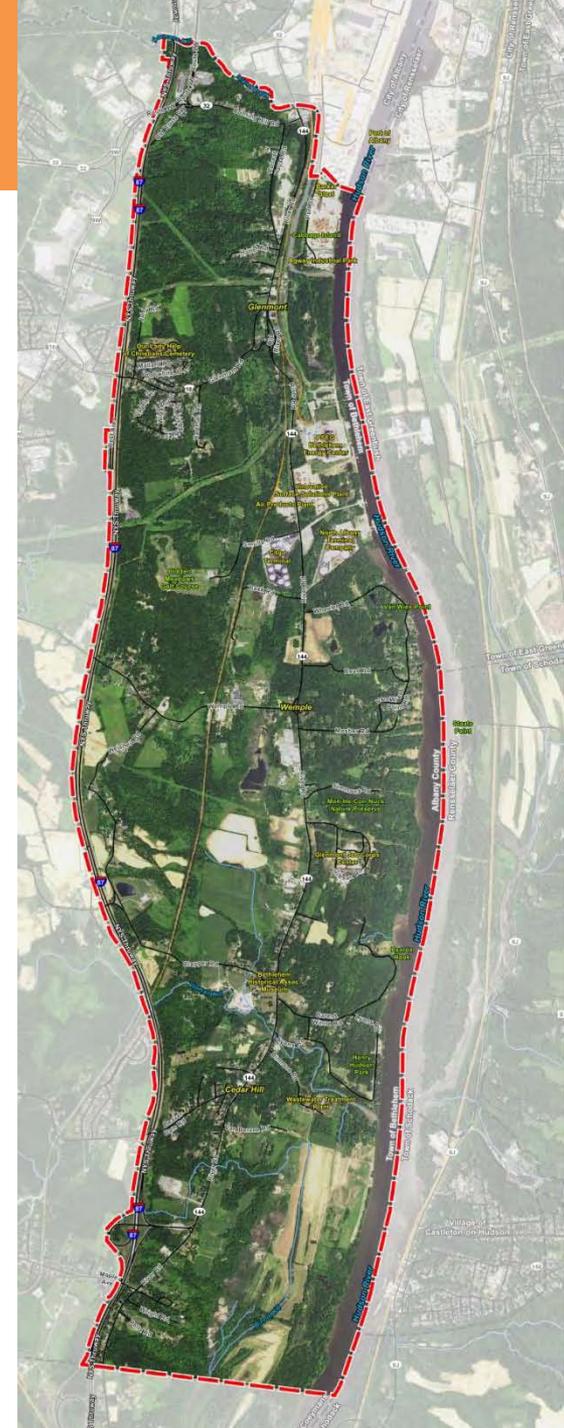


PROJECT STUDY AREA

- Proposed Waterfront Revitalization Area (WRA)



- Approval of the LWRP by the Secretary of State also means that the proposed WRA will become the new coastal area boundary triggering the need for consistency review



PROJECT STUDY AREA

- Bound by municipal boundaries to north (Albany) and south (Coeymans)
- Bound by Hudson River to east
- Bound by I-87 (NYS Thruway) to west
- Includes Hudson River tributaries, floodplains and key roads providing opportunities to connect to the waterfront
- Includes all land and water uses of significant impact to the waterfront

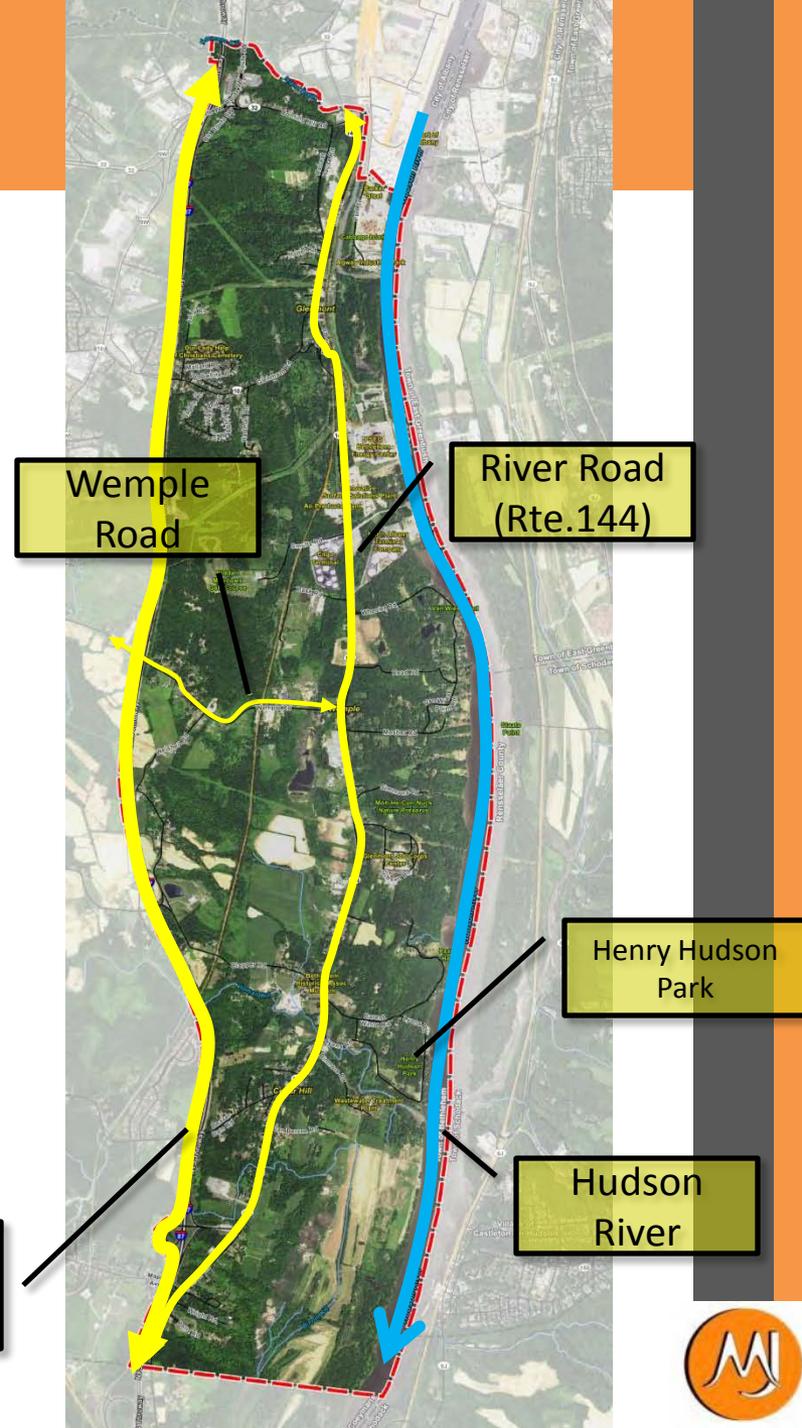
Interstate 87
(Thruway)

Wemple
Road

River Road
(Rte.144)

Henry Hudson
Park

Hudson
River



PROJECT SCOPE



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Scope Tasks:

6. Project Meeting
7. Community Outreach
8. Define Boundary
9. Inventory and Analysis
10. Public Meeting #1
11. Coastal Policies
12. Proposed Uses and Projects
13. Public Meeting #2
14. Local Implementation Techniques
15. Public Meeting #3
16. Federal-State Actions and Programs
17. Local Commitment
18. SEQRA Compliance
19. Draft LWRP
20. Final Public Hearing/Meeting
21. Final LWRP
22. Henry Hudson Master Plan Update

Note: Tasks 1-5 are Town Administrative Tasks



SCHEDULE



ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE

Anticipated Task Schedule

Task #	Task	Completion Date
6	Project Meeting	June 2016*
7	Community Outreach Plan	June 2016
8	Define WRA Boundary	July 2016*
9	Inventory and Analysis	September 2016*
10	First Public Meeting	October 2016
11	Coastal Policies	January 2017*
12	Proposed Uses and Projects	March 2017*
13	Second Public Meeting	April 2017
14	Implementation Techniques	May 2017*

*Up to 10 LWRA meetings are proposed during the process.



ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE

Task #	Task	Completion Date
15	Third Public Meeting	To Be Scheduled
16	Federal and State Actions and Programs	Summer 2017
17	Local Commitment	Fall 2017
18	SEQRA Compliance	Summer 2017
19	Draft LWRP	Summer 2017 (60-day review period)
20	Final Public Hearing/Meeting	Fall 2017*
21	Final LWRP Amendment	Fall/Winter 2017*
22	Henry Hudson Master Plan Update	July 2017*



OPEN HOUSE STATIONS



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- Station 1: About The Project
- Station 2: New York State Coastal Policies
- **Station 3: Proposed Land Uses**
- **Station 4: Proposed Projects and Recommendations**
- **Station 5: Henry Hudson Park Master Plan Update**



STATION 1 : ABOUT THE PROJECT

- Find out about the LWRP, understand why the Town of Bethlehem is participating and learn what the outcome will be.

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PROGRAM UPDATE

STATION 1: ABOUT THE PROJECT

Find out about the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program, understand why the Town of Bethlehem is participating, and learn what the outcome will be.

BACKGROUND

The Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP) is administered by the New York State Department of State (NYS DOS) and includes the creation of a planning document and a program to implement the planning document. The Town of Bethlehem began preparing an LWRP draft in 2006. This project will update the existing draft.

In 2013, the Town's Comprehensive Plan Assessment Committee recommended the Town update the draft LWRP and provide a list of goals and objectives to be reflected in the update. As a result, the Town Board established a Local Waterfront Revitalization Advisory Group to aid the Project Team with the LWRP Update. This Advisory Group consists of Town residents, stakeholders, business owners, and Town officials.

PURPOSE

The LWRP Update is intended to guide the future of the Town of Bethlehem waterfront regarding land use, growth, economic development, and environmental conservation, and identify a detailed process for implementation. The LWRP will serve as a guide for decision making when evaluating policies, programs, and projects within the riverfront areas.



OUTCOME

An approved LWRP reflects community consensus, provides a clear direction for appropriate future development, and establishes long-term partnerships between the Town, community-based organizations, and the State. The LWRP also identifies funding opportunities to implement recommendations identified. Any State permitting, funding, and direct actions, to the extent practicable, must be consistent with an approved LWRP. Similarly, within the federally defined coastal area boundary, federal agency activities are also required to be consistent with an approved LWRP. This consistency provision ensures a collective vision for a stronger economy and a healthier environment.



STATION 2 : NYS COASTAL POLICIES

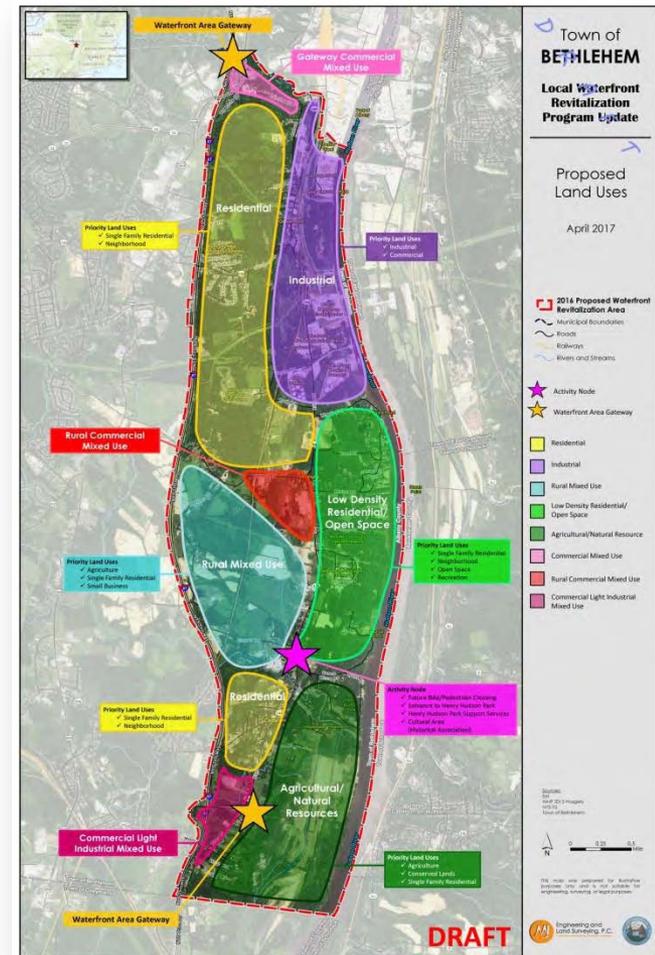
- Learn about the Coastal Management Program, as administered by the New York State Department of State (NYSDOS)
- This program provides a means for improving coordination between each level of government (local, state, and federal), in part by spelling out **44 policy statements**
- Agencies are required to take into account the interrelationships that exist in the coastal area as a whole and this is known as a consistency review.



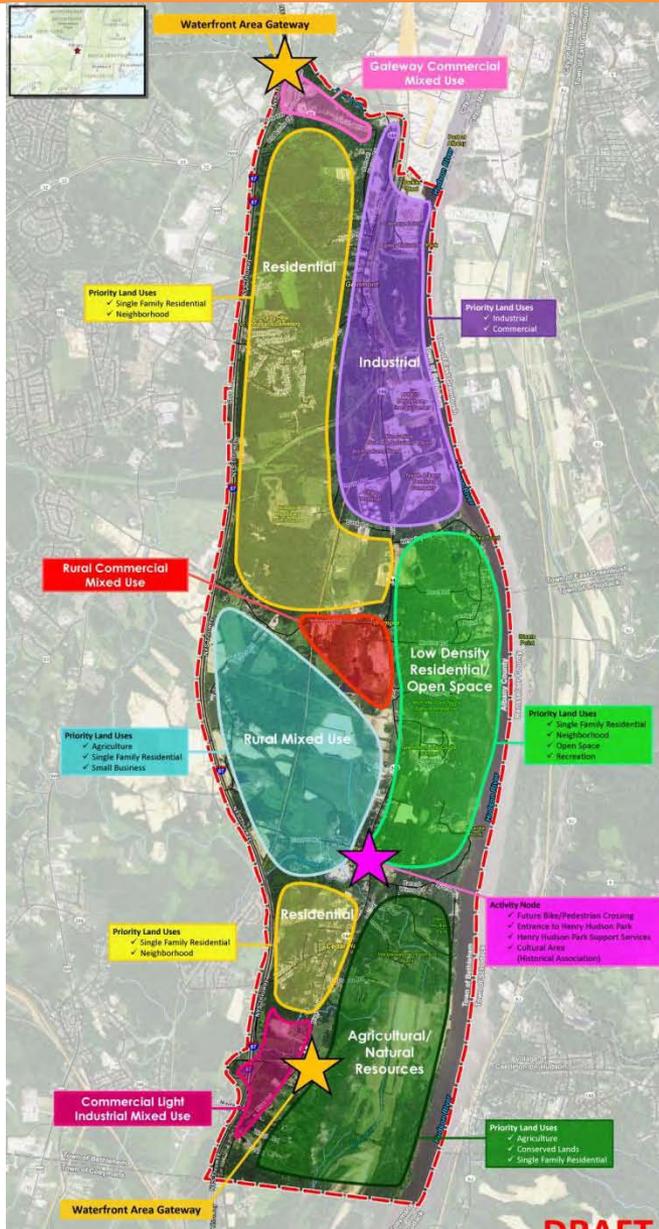
STATION 3: PROPOSED LAND USES

- Proposed land uses identified by:

- 2010 LWRP Proposed Land Uses
- LWRP Vision Statement
- Project Goals
- Existing Conditions
- Inventory and Analysis Mapping
- LWRAG and Public Input



STATION 3: PROPOSED LAND USES



2016 Proposed Waterfront Revitalization Area

- Municipal Boundaries
- Roads
- Railways
- Rivers and Streams

- Activity Node
- Waterfront Area Gateway

- Residential
- Industrial
- Rural Mixed Use
- Low Density Residential/Open Space
- Agricultural/Natural Resource
- Commercial Mixed Use
- Rural Commercial Mixed Use
- Commercial Light Industrial Mixed Use



STATION 4: PROPOSED PROJECTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- Sets direction for the Town to implement LWRP
- Identify partners/stakeholders
- Connect to:
 - Coastal Policies
 - Inventory and Analysis Needs / Opportunities



STATION 4: PROPOSED PROJECTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- Topic Areas:
 - ✓ Zoning and Land Use
 - ✓ Infrastructure
 - ✓ Economic Development
 - ✓ Resiliency
 - ✓ Natural, Environmental Resources / Water Quality
 - ✓ Historic, Cultural, Scenic Resources
 - ✓ Open Space, Public Access, Recreation



STATION 5: HENRY HUDSON PARK MASTER PLAN UPDATE

- Existing Conditions
- Walk and Talk Charrette
- Public Comment
- Advisory Group Input



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■ Key Design Considerations

- Accommodate Existing Uses
- Accommodate users of all ages and abilities
- Improve park functionality and traffic/parking safety
- Shoreline stabilization
- Encourage recreation, physical activity, and exploration of nature
- Maintain passive nature of Henry Hudson Park
- Design resilience for flooding conditions



NEXT STEPS



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- Summarize Public Input
- LWRAG Meeting #9
- Refine Proposed Land Uses
- Refine Proposed Projects and Recommendations
- Public Workshop #3 – TBD



THANK YOU!

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