

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PROGRAM UPDATE ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

KICK-OFF / MEETING #1
JUNE 14, 2016



Engineering and
Land Surveying, P.C.

AGENDA



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1. Welcome
2. Introductions
3. LWRP Program Overview
4. Project Overview
5. Project Scope and Process
6. Schedule
7. Preliminary Delineation of Waterfront Revitalization Area
8. Next Steps



PROJECT TEAM



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- Town of Bethlehem



- NYS DOS



- LWRAG

- Charlotte Buchanan, Van Wies Point Resident
- William Clancy, PSEG Bethlehem Energy Center
- Maureen Cunningham, Hudson River Watershed Alliance/Town Resident
- Joann Dawson, Former Town Board Member
- Lisa Evans, Waterfront Resident
- Joan Gavrilik, Friends of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation
- Don Horan, Innovative Surface Solutions
- Theresa McMahon, Town Resident
- Sam Messina, Former Town Supervisor
- Ann Morin, Glenmont Job Corps
- John Sherman, Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy
- Peter Thomas, Friends of the Rail Trail



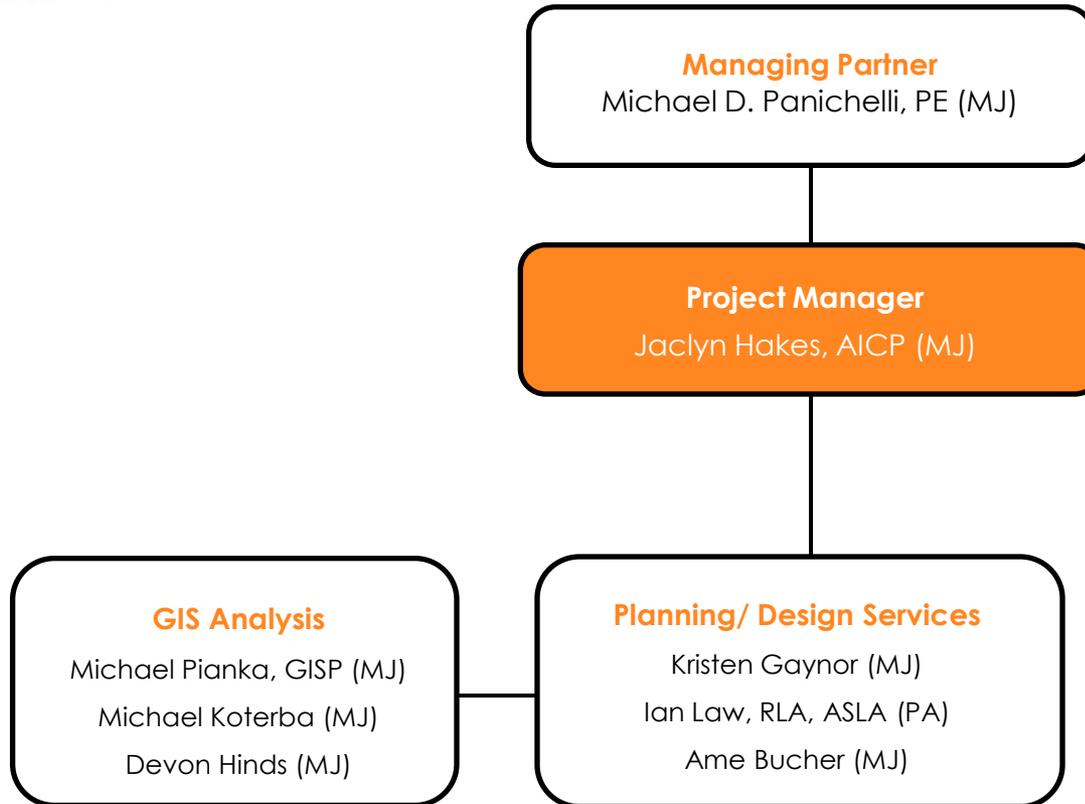
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LWRP OVERVIEW



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- NYS DOS Program Identified in NYS Executive Law Article 42.
- Intended to Guide the Future of Waterfront Communities
- Promotes Balance of Natural Resource Preservation, Population Growth and Economic Development



LWRP OVERVIEW

- Reflects Community Consensus and Aligns with Local Plans and Programs
- Provides Clear Direction for Appropriate Future Development and a Step by Step Process for Implementation
- Supported by Long Term Partnerships

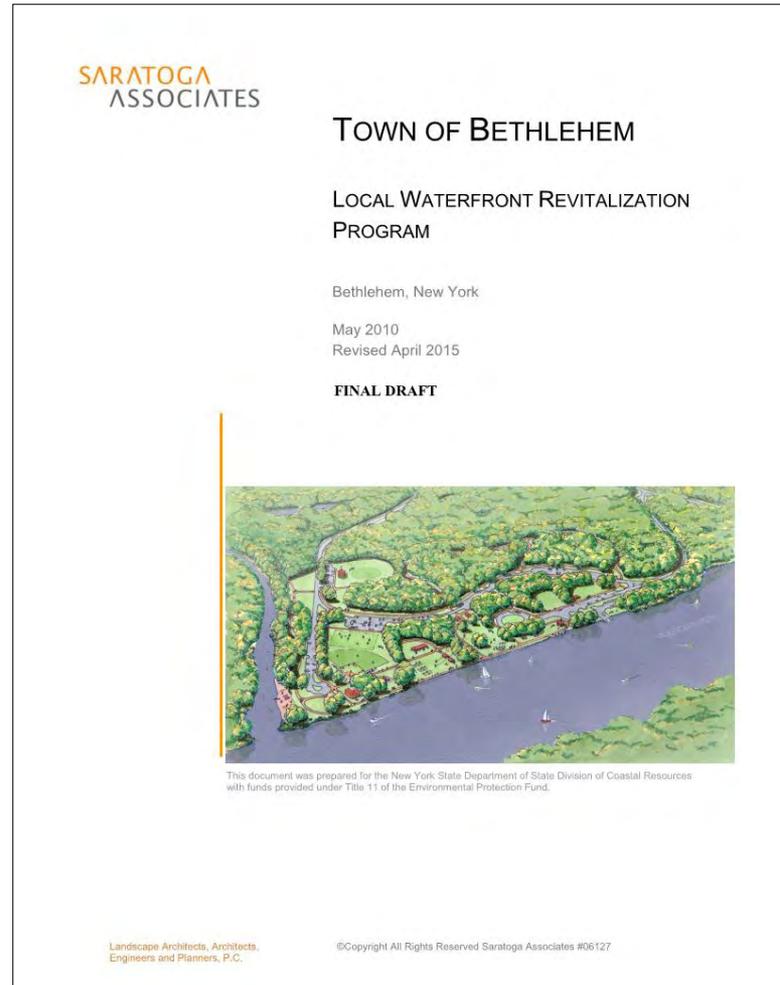


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- Update to 2010 LWRP
- Proposed 14-month Process
- Community Outreach and Engagement
- Existing Conditions Evaluation
- Identification of Opportunities
- Recommendations and Strategies



PROJECT GOALS

- Encourage New Economic Activity
- Improve Public Access
- Increase Recreational Use of River
- Protect and Restore Natural Resources
- Address Climate Change
- Evaluate Water Level in Relation to Development
- Support Sustainability and Resiliency



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. Policy Updates
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 Consultation
18. SEQRA Compliance
19. Draft LWRP Amendment
20. Final Public Hearing/Meeting
21. Final LWRP Amendment
22. Henry Hudson Master Plan Update



TASK 6: PROJECT MEETING/KICK-OFF

- Meeting with Town and LWRAG
- Overview of Project
- Roles and Responsibilities
- Preliminary Delineation of Waterfront Revitalization Area
- Next Steps



Deliverables: meeting attendance, written meeting summary



TASK 7: COMMUNITY OUTREACH

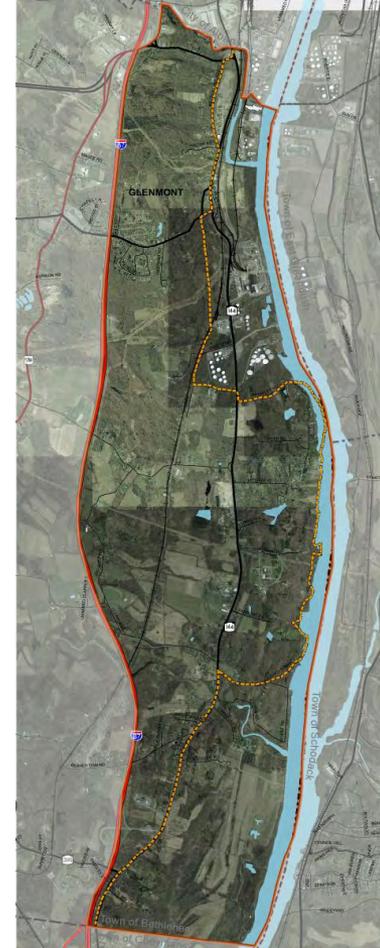
- Preparation of Community Outreach Method and Process
- Identification of Key Players
- Visioning Process



Deliverables: approved community outreach plans, outreach materials, summary of outreach sessions

TASK 8: DEFINE BOUNDARY

- Amendments to Boundary
- Narrative Updates
- Revised Map(s)
- Explanation for Inclusion of New Areas



Deliverable: Section I – Waterfront Revitalization Area, including narrative and map(s)



TASK 9: INVENTORY AND ANALYSIS

- Inventory of Natural and Built Environment
- Issues, Opportunities, and Constraints
- Resource Protection
- Assessment of Potential Risks
- Consideration of Local and Regional Plans
- Mapping

Deliverable: Section II - Inventory and Analysis with Accompanying Maps



TASK 10: PUBLIC MEETING #1

- Public Notification and Announcement
- Presentation of Issues and Opportunities
- Public Input



Deliverables: meeting notes and draft meeting notification announcements



TASK 11: POLICY UPDATES

- Update and Refine Applicable State Waterfront Policies
- Include Specific Local Standards
- Explain Proposed Land and Water Uses
- Determine Additional Policies

Deliverable: Section III – Local Waterfront Revitalization Policies for the Land and Water



TASK 12: PROPOSED USES AND PROJECTS

- Proposed Land Uses, Water Uses and Projects
- Mapping of Proposed Uses and Projects



Deliverable: Section IV - Proposed Land and Water Uses and Proposed Projects accepted by the Town and approved by NYS DOS



TASK 13: PUBLIC MEETING #2

- Presentation of Issues and Opportunities
- Discussion of Proposed Land and Water Uses and Proposed Projects
- Public Input



Deliverables: meeting notes and draft meeting notification announcements



TASK 14: LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION TECHNIQUES

- Existing Local Laws and Regulations
- Recommended Laws and Regulations
- Local Management Structure for Review of Proposed Projects
- Necessary Public and Private Sector Actions
- Financial Resource Requirements

Deliverable: Section V – Techniques for Local Implementation of the Program, including draft of any necessary amendments to local laws



TASK 15: PUBLIC MEETING #3

- Presentation of Draft LWRP Policies
- Presentation of Proposed Laws
- Public Input



Deliverables: meeting held, meeting minutes, identification of changes as a result of public input, draft meeting notification announcements



TASK 16: FEDERAL-STATE ACTIONS AND PROGRAMS

- Review List of Federal and State Agency Actions and Programs
- Determine Actions Necessary for LWRP Implementation

Section 6 - State and Federal Actions & Programs Likely to Affect Implementation

State actions will affect and be affected by the implementation of the LWRP. Under State law, certain State actions within or affecting the local waterfront area must be "consistent" or "consistent to the maximum extent practicable" with the enforceable policies and purposes of the LWRP. This "consistency requirement" makes the LWRP a unique, intergovernmental mechanism for setting policy and making decisions. This also helps to prevent detrimental actions from occurring and future options from being needlessly foreclosed. At the same time, the active participation of State agencies is also likely to be necessary to implement specific provisions of the LWRP.

The first part of this section identifies the actions and programs of State and federal agencies that should be undertaken in a manner consistent with the LWRP. This is a generic list of actions and programs, as identified by the NYS Department of State; therefore, some of the actions and programs listed may not be relevant to this LWRP. Pursuant to the State Waterfront Revitalization of Coastal Areas and Inland Waterways Act (Executive Law, Article 42), the Secretary of State individually and separately notifies affected State agencies of those agency actions and programs that are to be undertaken in a manner consistent with approved LWRPs. The lists of State actions and programs included herein are informational only and do not represent or substitute for the required identification and notification procedures. The current official lists of actions subject to State consistency requirements may be obtained from the NYS Department of State.

The second part of this section is a more focused and descriptive list of State agency actions that are necessary for further implementation of the LWRP. It is recognized that a State agency's ability to undertake such actions is subject to a variety of factors and considerations; that the consistency provisions referred to above, may not apply; and that the consistency requirements cannot be used to require a State agency to undertake an action it could not undertake pursuant to other provisions of law.

A. State Programs That Should Be Undertaken in a Manner Consistent with the LWRP

Office for the Aging

- 1.00 Funding and/or approval of programs for the establishment of new or expanded facilities providing various services for the elderly.

Department of Agriculture and Markets

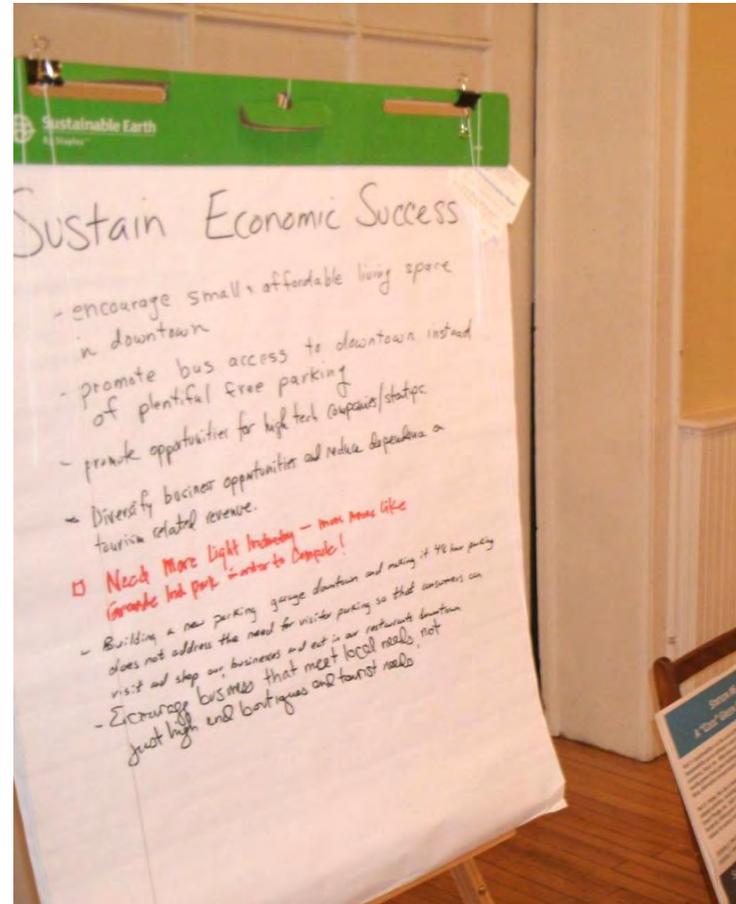
- 1.00 Agricultural Districts Program
- 2.00 Rural Development Program
- 3.00 Farm Worker Services Programs
- 4.00 Permit and approval programs:
 - 4.01 Custom Slaughters/Processor Permit
 - 4.02 Processing Plant License
 - 4.03 Refrigerated Warehouse and/or Locker Plant License

Deliverable: Section VI – Federal and State Actions and Programs Likely to Affect Implementation of LWRP



TASK 17: LOCAL COMMITMENT

- Public Consultation Efforts
- Local Committees Created to Oversee LWRP Preparation
- Role of Municipal Agencies

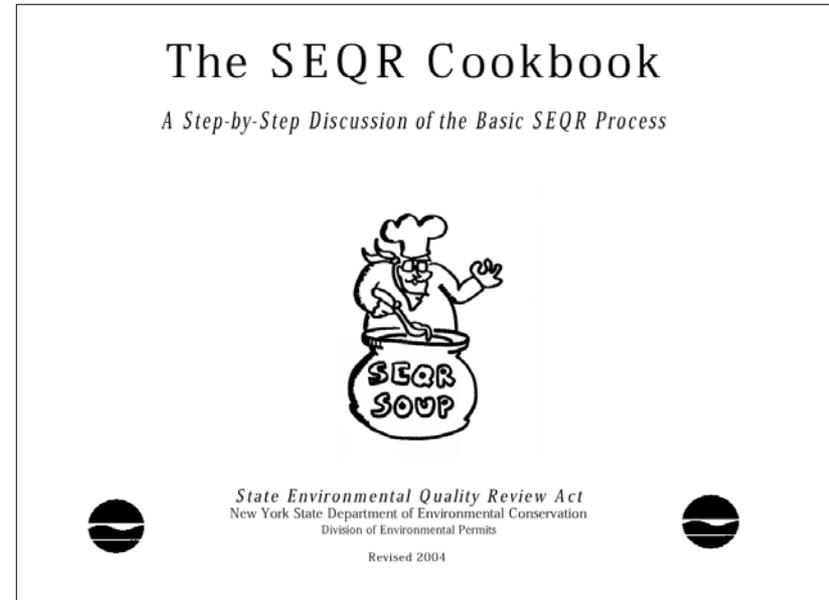


Deliverable: Section VII - Description of Local Commitment and Consultation



TASK 18: SEQRA COMPLIANCE

- Full Environmental Assessment Form (FEAF)
- Determination of Significance
- Positive or Negative Declaration
- Preparation of DGEIS (if positive declaration)



Deliverables: full environmental assessment form and associated SEQRA determination statements (positive or negative declaration)



TASK 19: DRAFT LWRP AMENDMENT

- Preliminary Draft LWRP Document
- Harbor Management Elements
- DGEIS (if applicable)
- NYS DOS Departmental Review
- Requested Revisions
- Re-submission to NYS DOS

Deliverables: preliminary draft LWRP acceptable to NYS DOS, a resolution to the Town Board accepting the Draft LWRP, comments reviewed during 60-day review period



TASK 20: FINAL PUBLIC HEARING/MEETING

- Public Hearing/Meeting on Draft LWRP
- Identification of Document Changes



Deliverables: meeting held, meeting minutes, identification of changes made as a result of meeting, draft meeting notification announcements



TASK 21: FINAL LWRP AMENDMENT

- Responses to Comments Received
- Schedule of Adoption
- Final LWRP Amendment

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Deliverables: final LWRP amendments (and FEIS, if applicable) and schedule of adoption



TASK 22: HENRY HUDSON PLAN UPDATE

- Update Existing Master Plan
- Recommendations for Addressing Issues
- Project Prioritization
- Financing Strategies
- Implementation Strategies



Deliverable: update plan by prioritizing park projects and providing strategies for financing and implementation



SCHEDULE



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Task Schedule

Task #	Task Name	Completion Date
6	Project Meeting	June 2016*
7	Community Outreach	June 2016
8	Define Boundary	July 2016*
9	Inventory and Analysis	September 2016*
10	First Public Meeting	October 2016
11	Policy Updates	November 2016*
12	Proposed Uses and Projects	December 2016*
13	Second Public Meeting	January 2017
14	Implementation Techniques	February 2017*

*Denotes a proposed LWRAG meeting to occur prior to date of completion. Up to 10 LWRAG meetings are proposed.



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Task Schedule (continued)

Task #	Task Name	Completion Date
15	Third Public Meeting	March 2017
16	Federal and State Actions and Programs	April 2017
17	Local Consultation	April 2017
18	SEQRA Compliance	April 2017
19	Draft LWRP Amendment	May 2017* – July 2017 (60-day review period)
20	Final Public Hearing/Meeting	June 2017*
21	Final LWRP Amendment	August 2017*
22	Henry Hudson Master Plan Update	April 2017*

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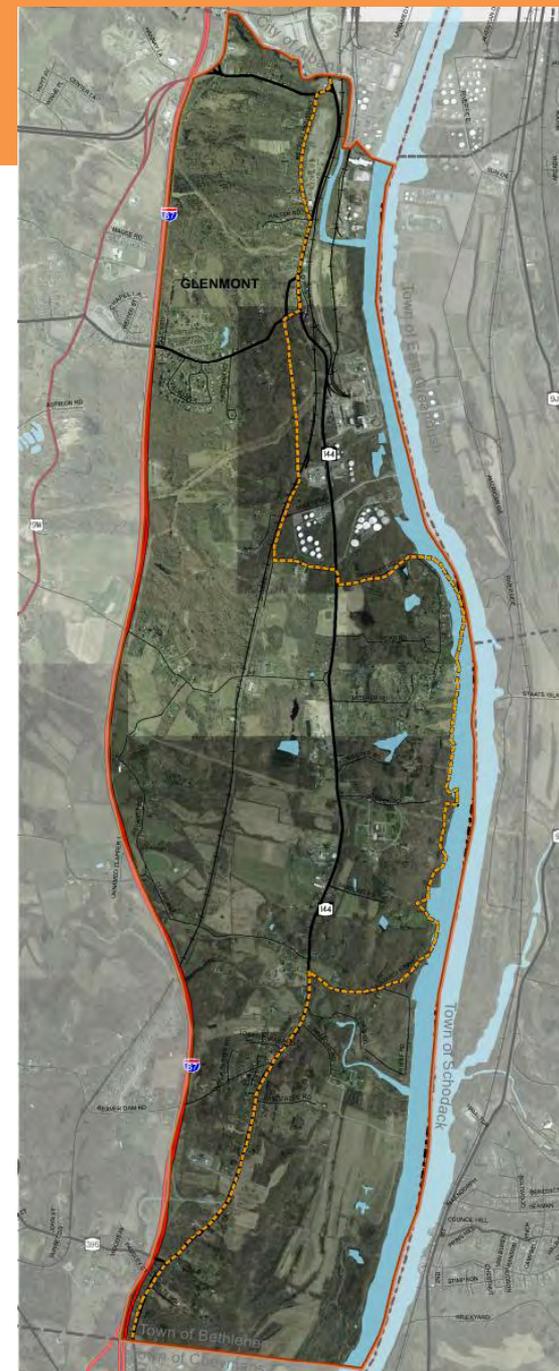


WATERFRONT AREA BOUNDARY



CURRENT BOUNDARY

- Bound by:
 - I-87 to the west
 - Hudson River to the east
 - City of Albany to the north
 - Town of Coeymans to south



NEXT STEPS



NEXT STEPS

- Stakeholder Boat Tour
 - June 20, 2016
 - 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm
- Initiation of Community Outreach Plan (Task 7)
- Meeting Summary
- Next LWRAG Meeting?



THANK YOU

