



Status of Major Planning and Economic Development Initiatives

Department of Economic Development
and Planning

December 22, 2010
TOWN BOARD MEETING

Planning Initiatives



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PaTHs 4 Bethlehem Committee



MISSION

- BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN MOBILITY IN TOWN
- ADDRESS GOALS OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN



STATUS

- BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PRIORITY NETWORK
- EVALUATION PROCESS FOR NEW PATHWAY INVESTMENT



NEXT STEPS

- BOARD TO REAPPOINT 8 MEMBERS/ 3 NEW MEMBERS
- COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP PROGRAM ADDRESSING 3 E'S – JANUARY 2011

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Bethlehem 20/20 Implementation Committee



MISSION

- PLANNING FOR A SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY



STATUS – SUBCOMMITTEE GROUPS ESTABLISHED

- IMPROVE TOWN'S ORGANIZATION/OPERATIONS
- DEVELOP TOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY
- INTEGRATE FINANCIAL AND CAPITAL PLANNING
- OPPORTUNITIES TO SHARE/CONSOLIDATE SERVICES



NEXT STEPS

- COMMITTEE WILL PROVIDE A STATUS REPORT TO THE TOWN BOARD – EARLY 2011

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Citizens Advisory Committee on Conservation



MISSION

- EXPLORE CONSERVATION PROJECTS AND OPPORTUNITIES WITH WILLING LANDOWNERS



STATUS

- REPORT ON OPEN SPACE NEEDS/OPPS. - TOWN BOARD APPROVAL OCT. 2009
- MEMBERS TERMS EXPIRE APRIL 2011



NEXT STEPS

- TOWN/MHLC/BETHLEHEM TOMORROW/LARGE LANDOWNERS MEET TO DISCUSS OPEN SPACE

SAMPLE PROJECTS WITH CONSERVATION COMPONENTS



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- ACCESS EASEMENT FROM FISHER BOULEVARD



VAN DYKE SPINNEY PDD

- +/-34 ACRES OF CONSERVATION LAND TO MHLC
- SHARED USE PATH ALONG VAN DYKE ROAD



Trinity Manor 5 Conservation Subdivision

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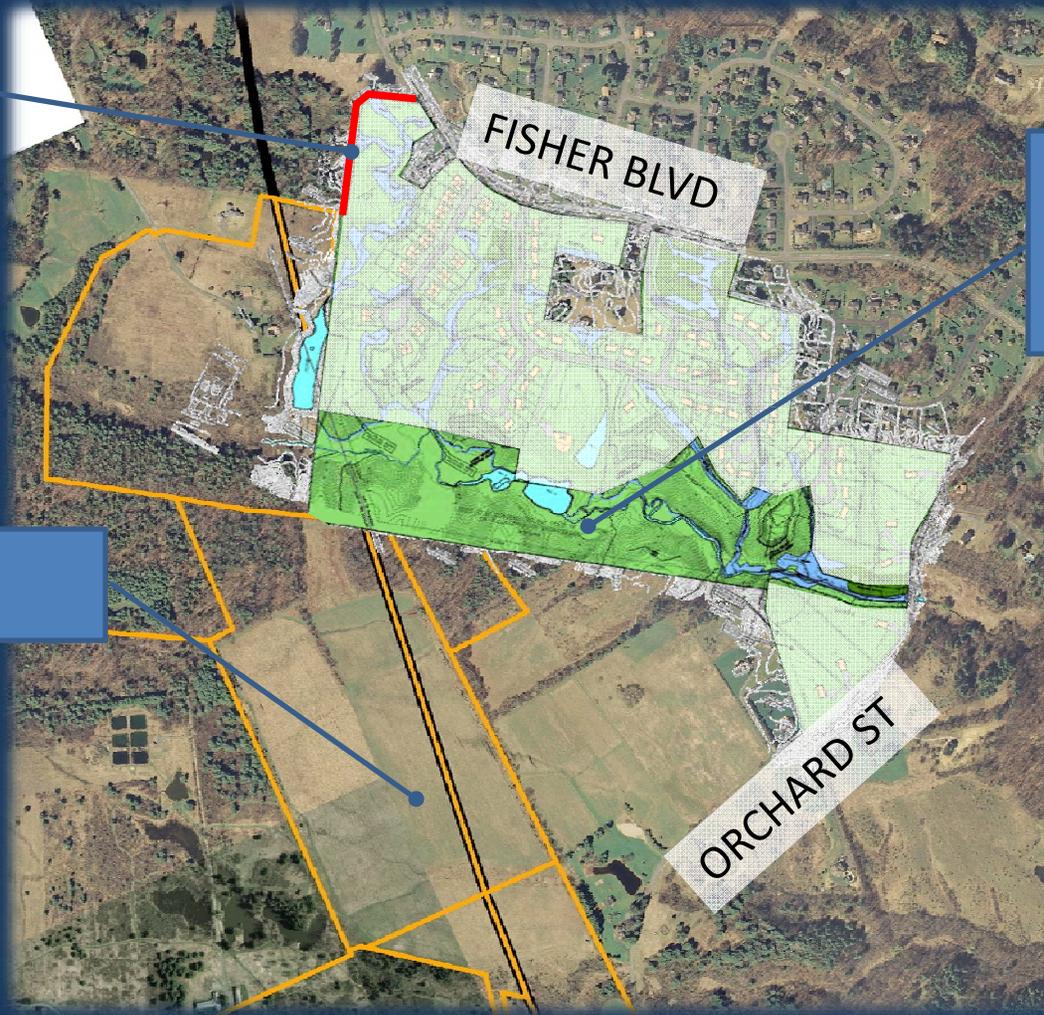


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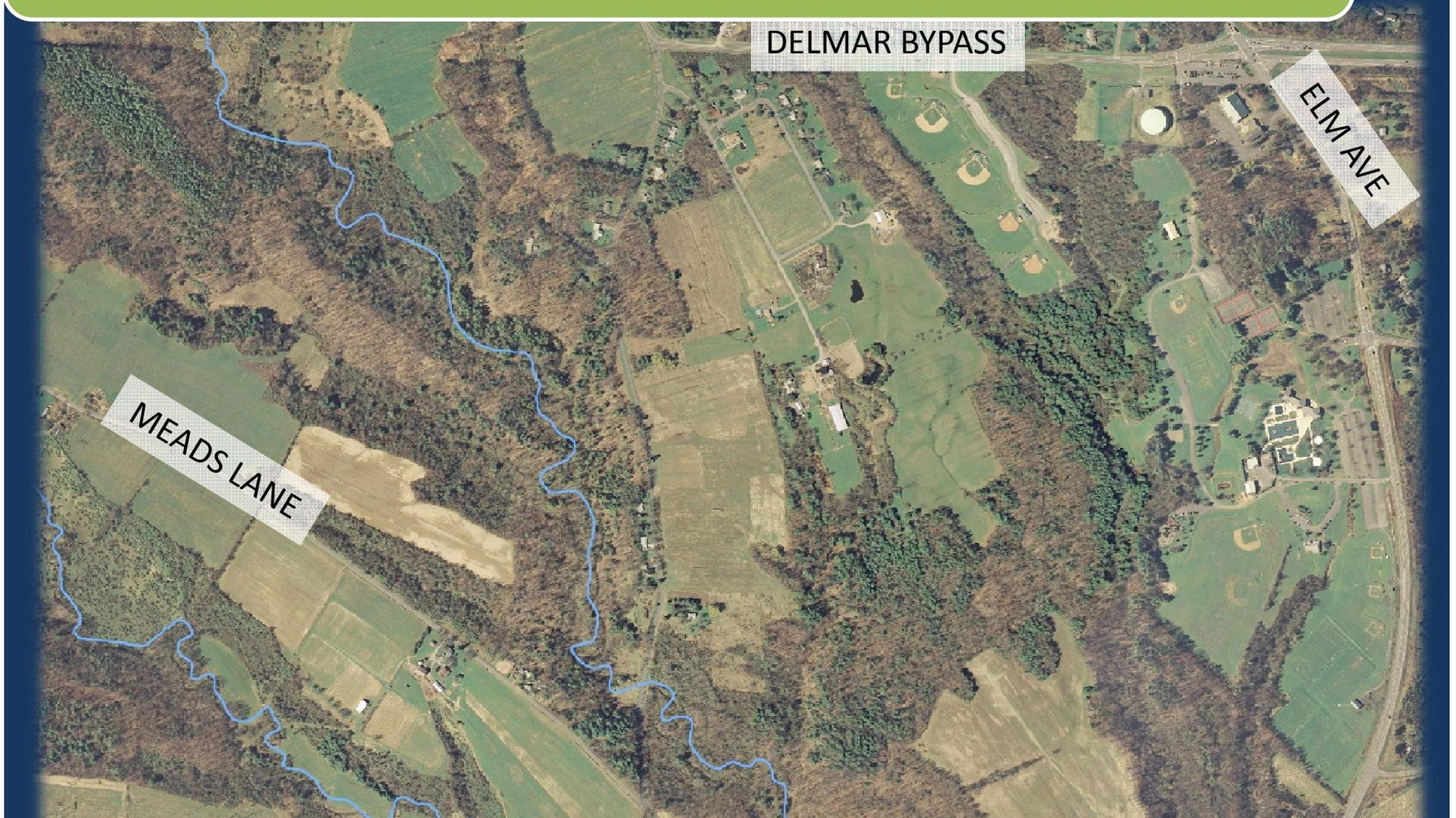


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PHILLIPIN KILL
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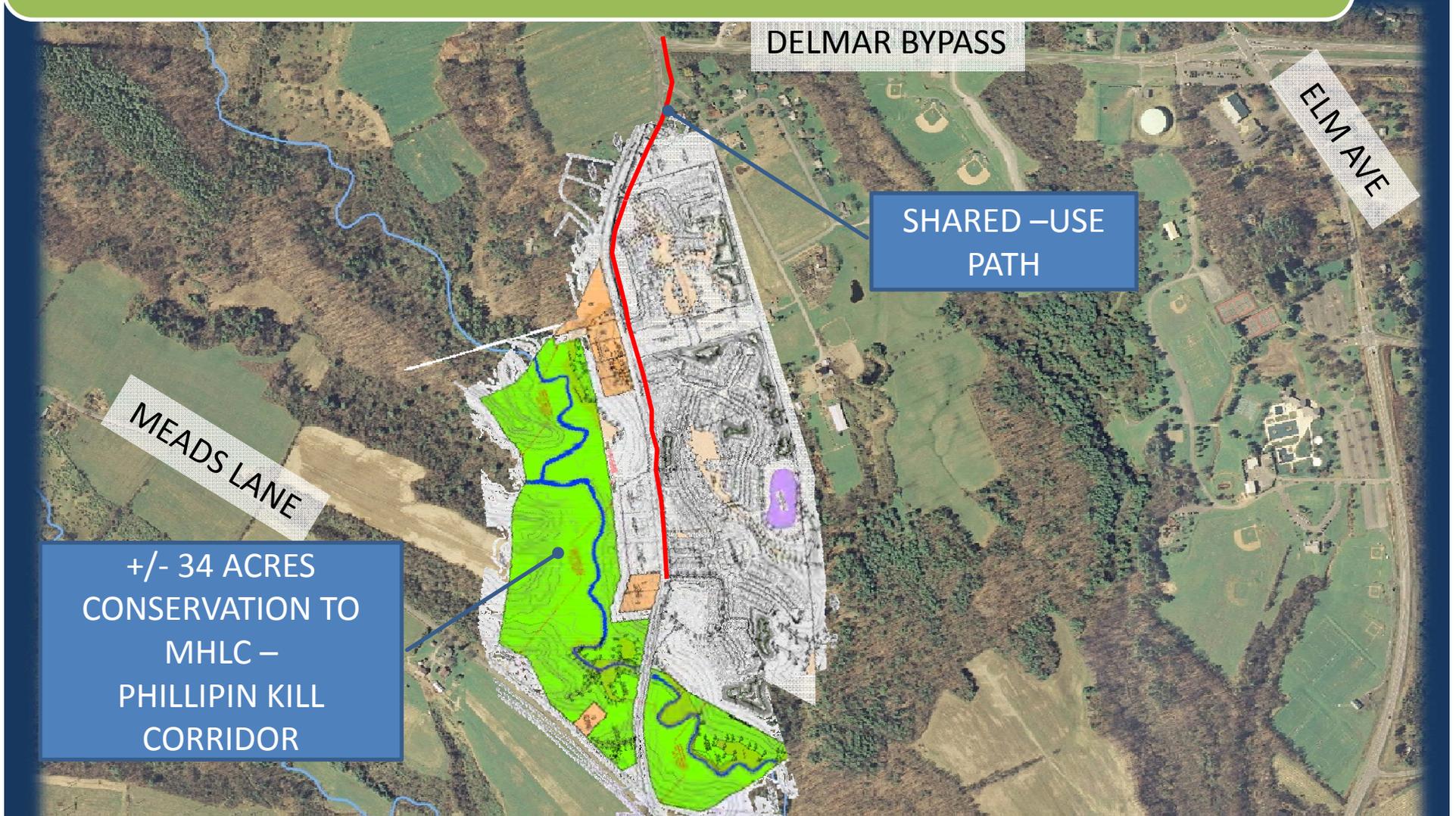
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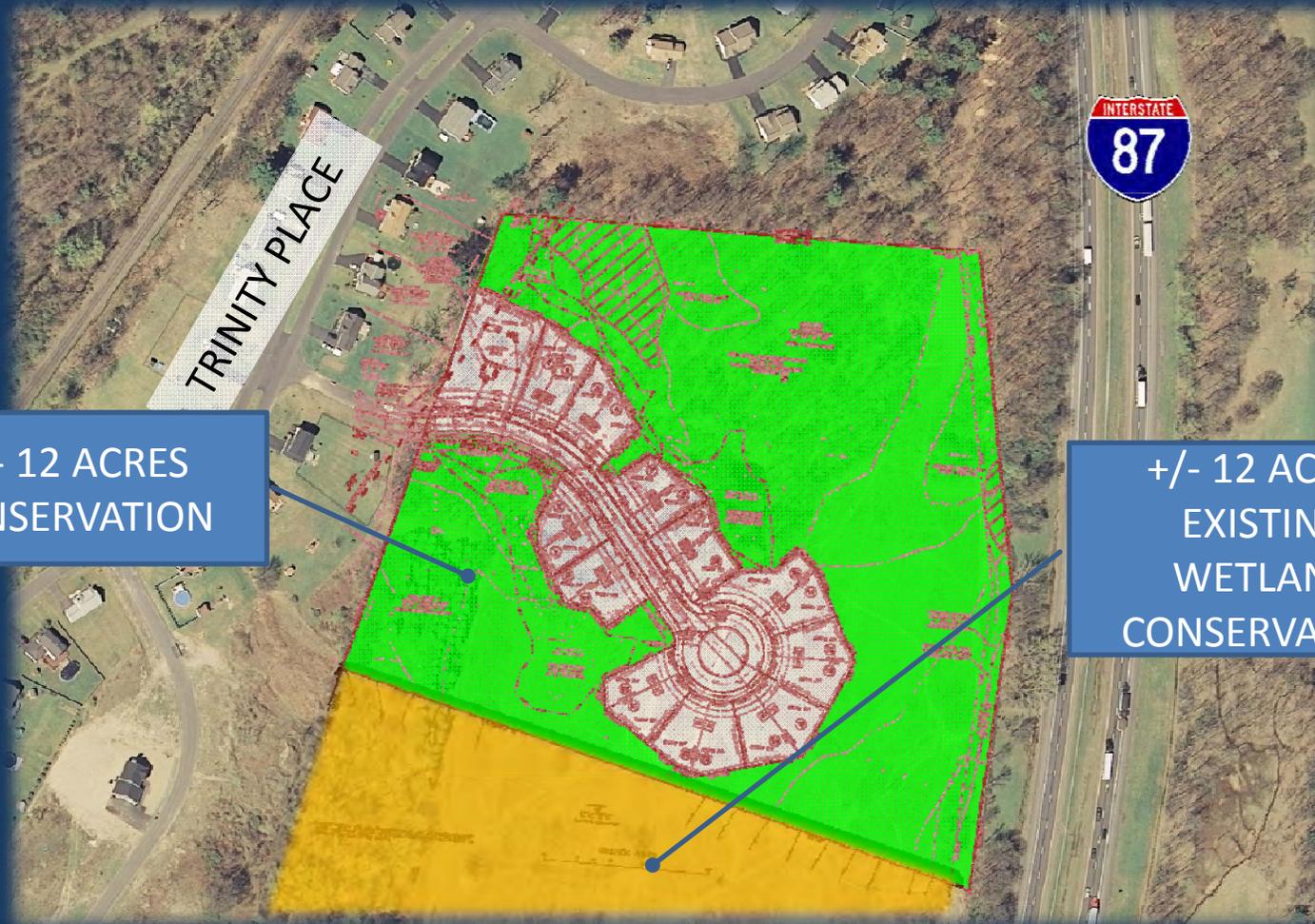
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AGRICULTURAL AND FARMLAND PROTECTION PLAN



MISSION

- ESTABLISH STRATEGIES TO RESULT IN THE ENHANCEMENT, MANAGEMENT AND CONTINUED VIABILITY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMLAND



STATUS

- PLAN APPROVED BY TOWN BOARD – NOVEMBER 2009



NEXT STEPS

- PLAN RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDED IN 2011 ZONING UPDATES
- AG REPRESENTATIVE IDENTIFIED TO DPC

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DELAWARE AVENUE HAMLET ENHANCEMENT STUDY



MISSION

- STRENGTHEN MAIN STREET CHARACTERISTICS OF DELAWARE AVENUE – ADAMS ST. TO ELSMERE AVE.



STATUS

- CONDUCTED FINAL PUBLIC MEETING – NOV. 2010
- DEVELOPED DESIGN STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES
- DEVELOPED TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN



NEXT STEPS

- SUBMIT TO TOWN BOARD – EARLY 2011
- INCORPORATE RECOMMENDATIONS INTO ZONING LAW

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LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PROGRAM



MISSION

- ESTABLISH A VISION AND POLICIES TO GUIDE FUTURE INVESTMENTS AND DEVELOPMENT ALONG THE HUDSON RIVER WATERFRONT



STATUS

- PLAN TO BE FORWARDED TO NYSDOS FOR APPROVAL – EARLY 2011



NEXT STEPS

- PRESENTATION TO TOWN BOARD AND UPDATE TO THE LWRP STUDY ADVISORY COMMITTEE – EARLY 2011

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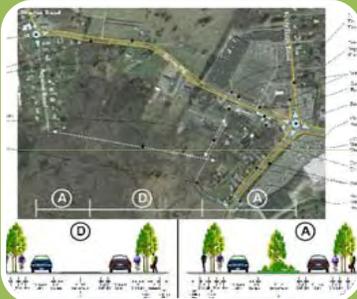
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ROUTE 9W CORRIDOR STUDY



MISSION

- IDENTIFY TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS TO SUPPORT FUTURE DEVELOPMENT WITH ROUTE 9W CORRIDOR
- REVIEW FEASIBILITY OF SELKIRK BYPASS



STATUS

- RECOMMENDATIONS PRESENTED TO TOWN BOARD – JUNE 2009
- INCORPORATE REC'S INTO TOWN ZONING THROUGH DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR PROJECTS WITHIN THE STUDY AREA



NEXT STEPS

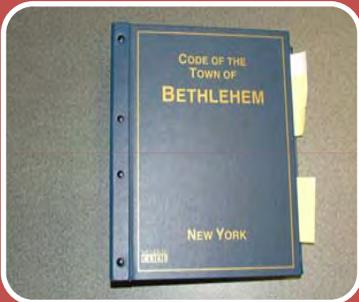
- WORK WITH NYSTA, NYSDOT, FHWA, CDTC TO EXPLORE DEVELOPMENT OF A THRUWAY INTERCHANGE IN THE VICINITY OF CLAPPER ROAD
- IF FEASIBLE, EXPLORE OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP GEIS

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ZONING REVISION UPDATES



MISSION

- IDENTIFY AND CORRECT DEFICIENCIES AND/OR INTERNAL INCONSISTENCIES IN THE LANGUAGE OF THE ZONING LAW



STATUS

- ZONING UPDATED – AUG, 2006, AMENDMENTS – OCT. 2008
- DEDP, BUILDING AND ENGINEERING DIVISION COMMENTS INCORPORATED INTO DRAFT REVISION PLAN



NEXT STEPS

- EARLY 2011 DEDP TO SUBMIT DRAFT CHANGES TO TOWN BOARD
- PLANNING BOARD TO REVIEW CHANGES AND COMMENT

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COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE



MISSION

- PREPARE STATUS REPORT ON 2005 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS



STATUS

- TOWN BOARD ACCEPTED CPOC REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2007



NEXT STEPS

- DEDP TO PROVIDE STATUS REPORT ON CPOC RECS AND IDENTIFY IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

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THANK YOU

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS