

Town of East Greenbush / Town of North Greenbush / CDTC US Route 4 Corridor Study

Study Advisory Committee (SAC)

Meeting #2

Wednesday, October 26, 2022

East Greenbush Town Hall









Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Existing Conditions Overview
- 3. Next Steps
- 4. Corridor Caravan Overview



Welcome

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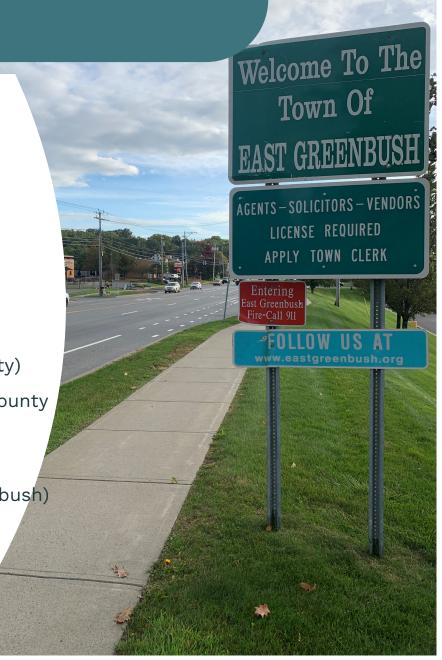
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Project Update

KEY MILESTONES:

Notes:

- Task 3 Public Input occurs throughout effort
- Five SAC Meetings at key milestones

Spring/Fall 2023

TASK 5: DRAFT US 4 CORRIDOR

STUDY

Summer/Fall/Winter 2022 TASK 2: EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY & ASSESSMENT

Summer/Fall 2022

TASK 1: PROJECT INITIATION/

COORDINATION

Fall 2023

TASK 6: FINAL US 4 **CORRIDOR STUDY & IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

Winter 2023 **TASK 4: FUTURE OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS**

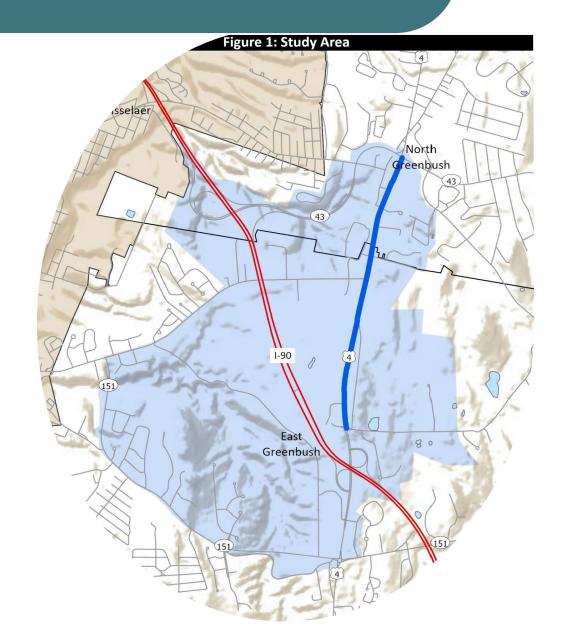
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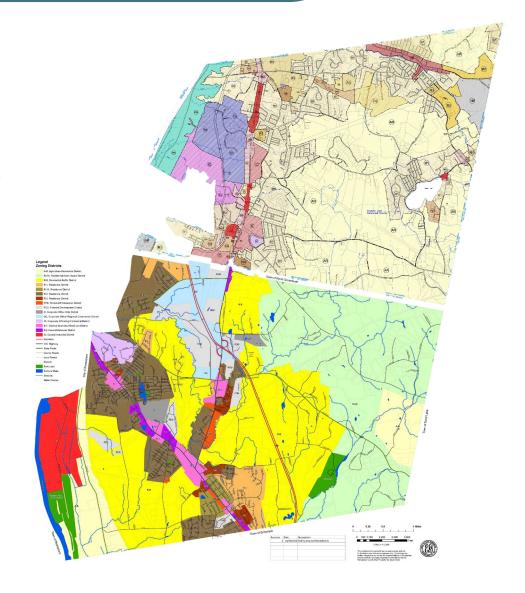
Introduction/Background

- > Identifies the Study Area
- > Highlights of Existing Conditions Memo
 - ➤ Land Use & Zoning
 - Pedestrian Accommodations
 - Traffic Data/Crash History
 - > Traffic Conditions
- Previous Plans/Relevant Documents



Land Use Vs. Zoning

Land use and zoning differ in that land use describes what the land is currently being used for, while zoning describes the types of land uses that are allowed as established by local zoning laws. Land use and zoning are a direct reflection of the community character that exists today.



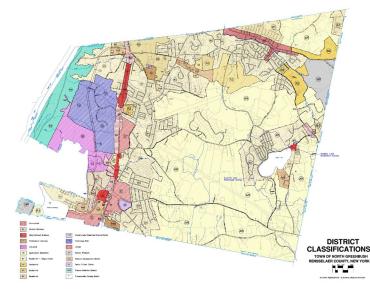
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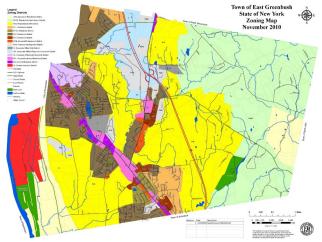
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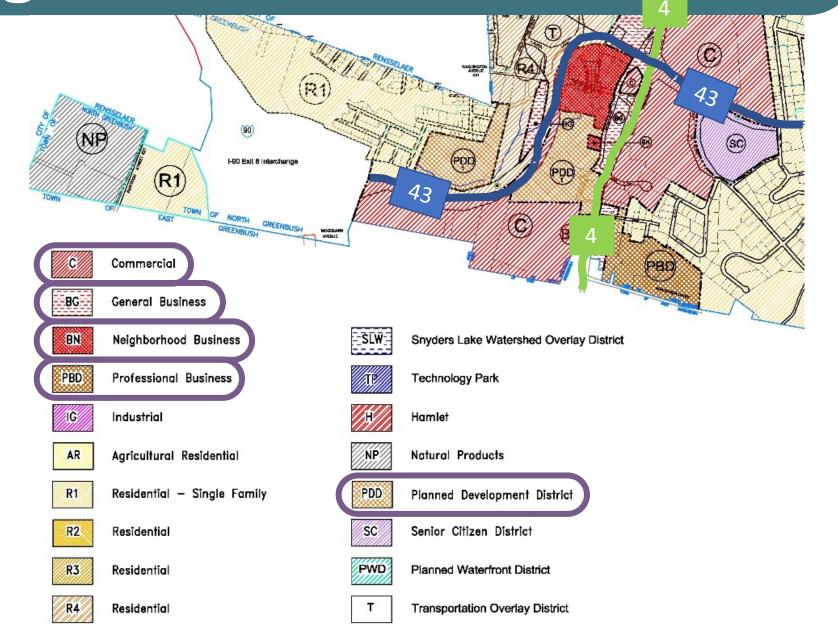
- C, Commercial
- BG, General Business
- BN, Neighborhood Business
- PBD Professional Business
- PDD Planned Development District

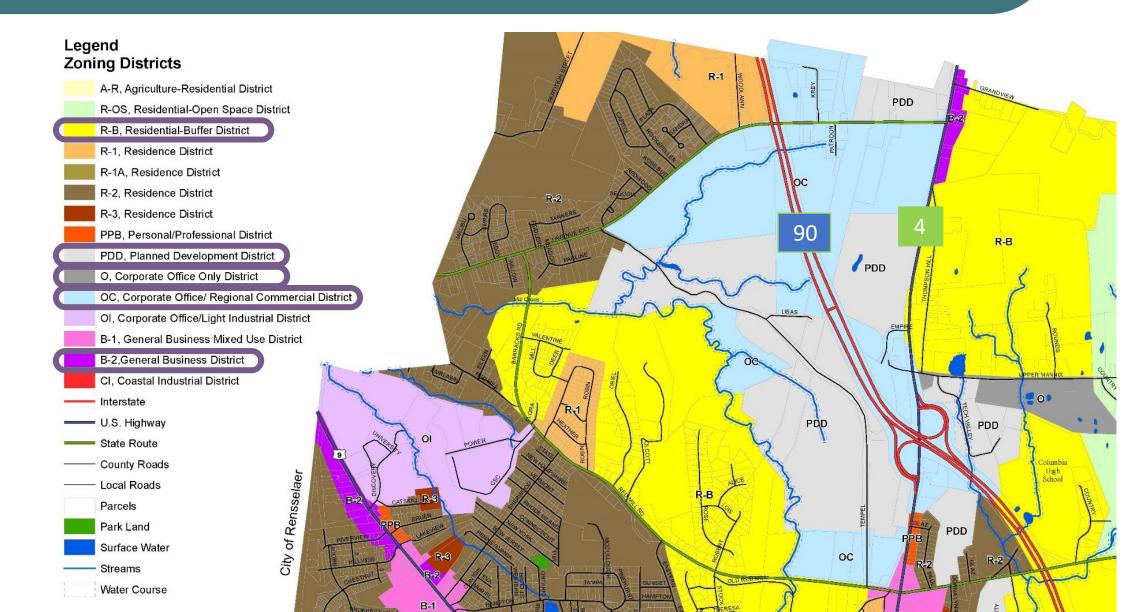
East Greenbush (Existing)

- R-B, Residential-Buffer District
- PDD, Planned Development District
- O, Corporate Office Only District
- OC, Corporate Office/ Regional Commercial District









Pedestrian Accommodations

- > Sidewalks and Crosswalks
 - > Concrete sidewalks are available along parts of Rt 4
 - Striped pedestrian crosswalks are available at various locations
- In general, the study area has limited to no pedestrian amenities, such as street trees, benches, trash receptacles, or pedestrian lighting





Traffic Data / Crash History - Corridor

- Most recent five years of available data June 6, 2017 to May 30, 2022
- > During this five-year period, 428 crashes were recorded.
- The data received was for the roadway, connecting roads, and intersections along the US Route 4 corridor.

Collision Type Summary		
Collision Category Type	Quantity	
Head On	6	
Left Turn (Against Other Car)	8	
Overtaking	30	
Rear End	205	
Right Angle	71	
Right Turn (Against Other Car)	2	
Right Turn (With Other Car)	1	
Sideswipe	9	
Unknown	1	
Other	95	
Total	428	

Collision Type Summary		
Collision Type	Quantity	
Collision with Animal	13	
Collision with Bicyclist	1	
Collision with Motor Vehicle	394	
Collision with Pedestrian	3	
Collision with Fixed Object	14	
Overturned	2	
Collision with Other	1	
Total	428	

Crash Severity Summary		
Crash Severity Type	Quantity	
Property Damage	335	
Injury	93	
Fatality	0	
Total	428	

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Traffic Data / Crash History

> Heat Map

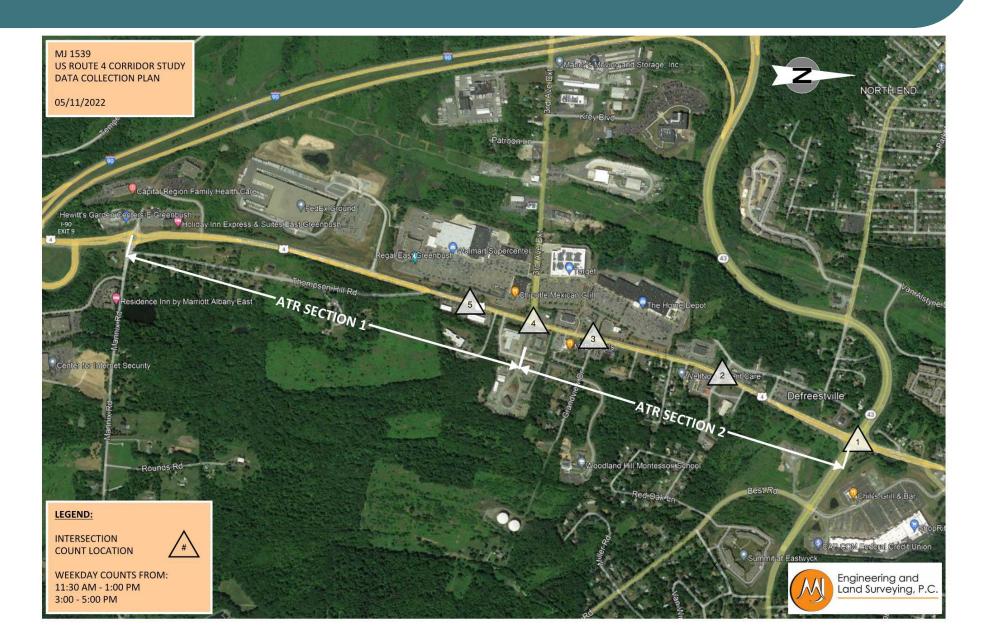


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Traffic Data / Crash History - Intersections

- Most recent five years of available data June 6, 2017 to May 30, 2022
- > During this five-year period, 237 of 428 crashes occurred at intersections.

Collision Type Summary			
Intersecting Roadway	Quantity		
Mannix Road	2		
Empire Drive	4		
Thompson Hill Road	11		
North Greenbush Square & Rensselaer County Plaza (Walmart Plaza)	73		
3 rd Avenue Extension	49		
Grandview Drive & Greenbush Commons (Home Depot/Target Plaza)	24		
Thompson Court	10		
Bloomingrove Drive & Agway Drive (Stewart's/CVS)	27		
NY Route 43	37		
Total	237		



Traffic Volumes

- Traffic volumes were collected using Automatic Traffic Recorders (ATRs) and turning movement counts (TMCs)
- > Two ATRs collect 24-hour traffic volumes
 - Three days between Tuesday April 5 to Thursday April 7, 2022
 - Obtain Average annual daily traffic (AADT)
- > The locations of the ATRs:
 - ❖ Between I-90 Exit 9 and 3rd Ave. Ext.
 - **❖** AADT = 15,304
 - ❖ Between 3rd Ave. Ext. NY Route 43
 - **❖** AADT = 18,917

- > TMCs collected at five (5) intersections
 - ❖ Intersection No. 1: NY Route 43
 - ❖ Intersection No. 2: Bloomingrove Drive and Agway Drive
 - ❖ Intersection No. 3: Grandview Drive/Plaza
 - ❖ Intersection No. 4: 3rd Avenue Extension
 - ❖ Intersection No. 5: Rensselaer County Plaza Driveway
- Midday 11:30 am 1:00 pm
- ➤ PM 3:00 5:00 pm
- Intersections 1, 2, 3, and 5
 - ❖ TMCs on Tuesday, May 24, 2022
- > Intersection 4
 - ❖ TMCs on Wednesday, June 1, 2022

Existing Traffic Conditions

- Five (5) signalized intersections along the Route 4 Corridor between NY Route 43 and Mannix Road.
 - Intersection No. 1: NY Route 43
 - ❖ Intersection No. 2: Bloomingrove Drive and Agway Drive
 - Intersection No. 3: Grandview Drive
 - ❖ Intersection No. 4: 3rd Avenue Extension
 - ❖ Intersection No. 5: Rensselaer County Plaza Driveway

Intersection Level of Service (LOS) Ranges				
Level of Service	Unsignalized Intersection Delay (sec/veh)	Signalized Intersection Delay (sec/veh)	Description	
Α	≤ 10	≤ 10	Excellent	
В	$> 10 \& \le 15$	> 10 & ≤ 20	Very Good	
C	$> 15 \& \le 25$	$> 20 \& \le 35$	Good	
D	$> 25 \& \le 35$	> 35 & ≤ 55	Acceptable	
E	> 35 & \le 50	> 55 & ≤ 80	Poor	
F	> 50	> 80	Failing	

Overall Intersection LOS		
Location	2022 Study (MIDDAY / PM Peak)	
Intersection No. 1	D (51.2) / F (246)	
Intersection No. 2	D (39.5) / E (56.5)	
Intersection No. 3	E (62.6) / D (44.5)	
Intersection No. 4	D (51.2) / C (27.9)	
Intersection No. 5	C (23.1) / B (14.3)	

Existing Traffic Conditions



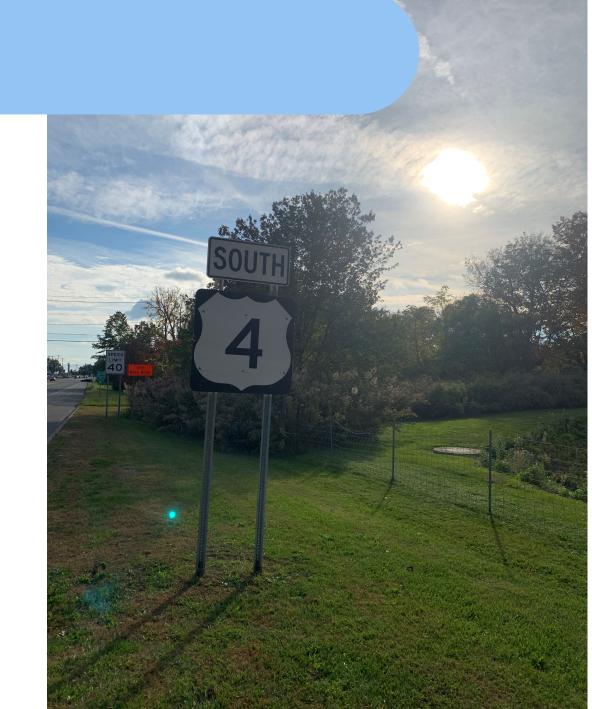
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Next Steps

- ➤ DRAFT Existing Conditions Memo
- ➤ Discussion of Public Engagement #1
 - ➤ Online Survey
 - ➤ Focus Group Meetings
- ▶ Project website now live @
 NYRoute4Study.com
- ➤SAC #3 TBD



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Corridor Caravan Overview

Itinerary

1. Thompson Hill Road

Start at the southern end and travel north to Route 4 with a quick stop at the top of the hill.

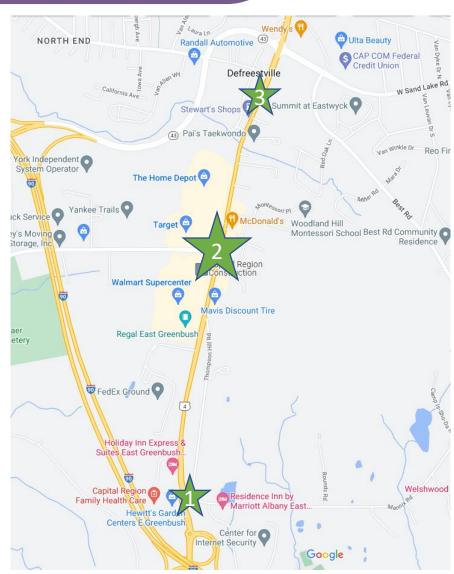
2. Park at Target

Points of Interest:

- a) 3rd Ave Extension intersection
- b) Dunkin/Starbucks intersection
- c) Walmart intersection

3. Park at the Park & Ride

View northern end of the study area





Thank you!