

**Public Workshop
on Traffic and Community Issues
Albany Post Road and Violet Avenue**

**Thursday, November 21, 2002
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

**Hyde Park Elementary School
Albany Post Road**

Program

Introduction	7:00 – 7:10 P.M.
Presentation on BFJ Study	7:10 – 7:30 P.M.
Presentation on This Study	7:30 – 7:50 P.M.
Breakout Groups	7:50 – 8:50 P.M.
Wrap-Up and Next Steps	8:50 – 9:00 P.M.

*For more information or to share your ideas,
please contact the Study Steering Committee:*

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229-5630 (evenings)**



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Study Background

The Town of Hyde Park and the New York State Department of Transportation recognize that planned, orderly land development coordinated with transportation improvements will allow continued economic development along the Albany Post Road and Violet Avenue corridors while preserving and enhancing the safe and efficient movement of traffic. They have thus agreed to cooperatively develop a Corridor Management Plan presenting a logical approach for achieving these ends.

This study builds on the initial visioning work presented in the Albany Post Road Corridor Study, which was prepared for the Town by Buckhurst Fish and Jacquemart (BFJ).

The current effort will produce the following:

- a Corridor Management Plan including concepts for land use management, roadway design, streetscaping, traffic operations improvement and access management.
- a detailed strategy for implementing the Corridor Management Plan, including specific projects and legislative actions.
- detailed concepts for enhancing (1) the compatibility between transportation activities and the neighborhood and (2) the “sense of place” of the corridor.

The technical work needed to develop the Corridor Management Plan is being conducted by a team of consultants from Creighton Manning Engineering of Albany and Vanasse Hangen Brustlin of Middletown, Connecticut. Staff from both firms will be on hand at the Workshop to present the findings of their early technical work and to discuss your concerns regarding the corridor.

An Advisory Committee consisting of representatives of all major local stakeholder groups is also part of this effort, providing insight on local issues and serving as a sounding board on possible concepts identified by the Study team.

The Public Workshop

The purpose of the Public Workshop is to gather input from the community on traffic issues, aesthetic concerns, development issues and other matters in the corridor, along with insights on what the community’s *vision* for the corridor is. The community’s ideas for possible solutions to these issues are also being sought.

After brief presentations on the findings of the BFJ study and on the current effort, the Workshop will shift emphasis to getting input from the community through a breakout session making use of markup maps, easels, sticky notes, a comment form and informal face-to-face discussions with Study staff. The goal is to get your input through whatever means you prefer. After the work session, there will be a recap of the key findings of the work session.

All comments and recommendations made at this Workshop will be relayed to the Advisory Committee and receive full consideration in the development of action concepts in the coming months. The Study team and the Advisory Committee look forward to hearing and reading your input. A comment form will be provided at the Workshop for the purpose of making your concerns known. This form may be left with the project staff at the workshop, or may be mailed or faxed to the Steering Committee members listed on the back of this flyer.

Study Schedule

The study got underway in October of 2002, and is expected to be completed in September of 2003. The working schedule of study milestones is as follows:

Study Began	October 2002
Advisory Committee Meeting	October 2002
Public Workshop 1	November 21, 2002
Advisory Committee Meeting	January 2003
Advisory Committee Meeting	March 2003
Advisory Committee Meeting	May 2003
Public Workshop 2	July 2003
Draft Corridor Management Plan/ Advisory Committee Meeting	September 2003