

## **SECTION VII- Consultation with Other Affected Federal, State, Regional, and Local Agencies**

### **A. Local Consultation**

Consultation has consisted of maintaining liaison with City agencies whose action or functions may be affected by the LWRP. Seated on the Waterfront Commission is a member of the City Council, the Commissioner of Public Works, and a member of the City's Planning Board.

The City of Beacon's planning consultants, Frederick P. Clark Associates, has worked very closely with the Commission in the final stages of completing the Plan.

Expertise has been drawn from local lawyers, architects, developers, business- people, historians, and many others who have been interested in and supportive of Beacon's efforts to develop and complete it's LWRP.

### **B. Regional Consultation**

1. Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
Contact and negotiations have been ongoing concerning the parking and future plans at the Metro North railroad station. Permission was sought to cross the tracks to have access to the Dennings Point area.
2. Dutchess County Department of Planning  
Information was sought on future planning for the City of Beacon regarding roads, water, and refuse disposal.
3. Dutchess County Public Works Department  
Same as above.
4. New York State Department of Transportation  
Consultation took place concerning the plans and construction of the new Beekman Street Bridge.
5. Dutchess County Department of Health  
A determination was sought to determine the water classification for the Fishkill Creek.
6. Hudson Valley Greenway Council  
The City's Waterfront Area is within the jurisdiction of the Greenway Council and Conservancy.

### **C. State Agency Consultation**

1. Department of State  
The Draft LWRP (with DEIS) was reviewed and approved by the City Council and forwarded to the NYS Department of State (DOS). The DOS then initiated a 60-day review of the Draft LWRP/DEIS pursuant to the Waterfront Revitalization of Coastal Areas and Inland Waterways Act and State Environmental Quality Review Act. Copies of the Draft LWRP and DEIS were distributed by DOS to all potentially affected State and

Federal agencies, Dutchess County, and adjacent waterfront municipalities. Comments received on the Draft LWRP/DEIS were reviewed by DOS and the City and resultant changes were made to the LWRP, which are detailed in the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

2. Department of Environmental Conservation  
Information was gathered concerning wetland designations and wildlife resources. The possibility of contaminants within Waterfront Area was another concern which required research and determination.
3. Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation  
The OPRHP is continuing consultations with the City on proposed plans for the Denning's Point Park, including the existing structures. Debris has been removed from the three major structures and chemicals have been prepared for shipment off site. OPRHP is working with DEC to complete this task.
4. Office of General Services  
Resolution is needed as to the ownership of the underwater property within the Waterfront Area.

### **D. Federal Consultation**

1. Federal Emergency Management Agency  
Consultation was undertaken regarding the extent of flood hazard areas within the waterfront area.

### **E. Private Sector Consultation**

1. Scenic Hudson, Inc.  
Consultation was held for determination of view sheds to be protected (See Policy 25).
2. Hudson River Fishermen  
Information was sought concerning the estuary at the base of the Fishkill Creek.
3. Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, Inc.  
Discussions were held for the purpose of exchanging information and ideas for coastal planning. Representatives of Clearwater attended several of the initial policy meetings and gave written input for the LWRP.
4. Beacon Sloop Club  
Representatives from the Sloop Club attended committee meetings to give input and ideas. This is a targeted project for the Club's environmental committee.
5. Marine Waterfront Architect/Engineer  
Preliminary ideas were sought for the harbor and the old ferry dock.