

Progress Report

Through June 27, 2018

Broadway for Everybody

- Organizing support for the Route 9 Active Transportation study
- Wrote Sleepy Hollow's recommendations to that study, presented them to the Village's Trustees
- Found over 100 supportive residents and 11 merchants, took inspiring photographs of them
- Had one-on-one conversations with 27 merchants, obtaining endorsements from many and reducing tensions among the rest
- Brought the Chamber of Commerce to support the lane if parking can be addressed
- Mobilized over 60 people to the study's public meeting in Tarrytown on 10/19/17. The vast majority of attendees were supportive.
- Made the front page of the *Journal News* on 10/25/17 and their *Express* on 11/2/17
- Explaining the benefits to Tarrytown's officials
- Campaign is ongoing. Links to everything at: biketarrytown.org/broadway-for-everybody/

Route 119

- Our Director is Project Coordinator for the Route 119 Complete Street Design Plan
- Obtained a \$250,000 grant for the municipalities to examine making walking & biking safer on this busy road between Tarrytown and White Plains
- Made the front page of the *Journal News* on 6/10/18 and their *Express* on 6/14/18
- More information: rt119complete.org

Walkability

- Our Director helped organize a walking audit in Sleepy Hollow's downtown (looking for ways make walking safer and nicer), then drafted engineering solutions and co-wrote the report: sleepyholloweac.files.wordpress.com/2018/06/sleepy-hollow-walkability-workshop-2017_report-print.pdf
- Working with DPW to implement demonstration projects

Old Croton Aqueduct Crossings & Connections

- Secured \$300,000 grant for Tarrytown to improve crosswalks, surface and wayfinding signs

East Parcel

- Sleepy Hollow is designing a park on the east half of the old General Motors plant. Plans had no bike infrastructure on the access roads and had (dangerous) perpendicular parking
- Provided suggestions on how to implement safe routes to the park, plus bike parking details
- More information: biketarrytown.org/east-parcel/

Tappan Zee Bridge

Route 9 Turn Lane / Side Path

- Thruway Authority & NYS DOT adding a turn lane from s/b Route 9 to e/b I-287; plus "Side Path"
- Met with Thruway Authority engineers in March 2017, offered detailed comments
- Thruway Authority announced "public information" meeting on October 4, 2017
- Had a preview meeting with Thruway staff. Designs ignored our prior comments.
- Drafted a detailed response and distributed them to our constituents:

biketarrytown.org/broadway-for-everybody/safety-first-for-thruway-entrance.php

- Mobilized 15 people to the meeting and 20 emailed comments
- Strong public response inspired Thruway to plan for extending the Side Path
- Thruway's OCA connection concept is seriously flawed, wrote Director to fix the problem:
biketarrytown.org/broadway-for-everybody/interchange-9-side-path-extension-2018-05-18.php

Path Terminus in Tarrytown

- Met with New NY Bridge staff in March 2017 to review preliminary designs of the terminus, crossings for Route 9 at that location and the side path to Route 119
- Was told State DOT was rejecting a Route 9 crosswalk
- Wrote the Governor and the Department of Transportation's Commissioner
biketarrytown.org/broadway-for-everybody/cuomo-bridge-path-tarrytown-crosswalk-2018-06-15.php
- State DOT replied crosswalks are being considered and we should be involved

Path Terminus in Rockland

- Submitted a detailed response to proposed designs
- Thruway's response was dismissive
- Assembled coalition of 20 organizations to press for changes
- Established campaigns resulting in over 150 emails being sent to decision makers
- Thruway dropped gates and dismount signs from plans
- Explained how the revised plan is dangerous and how to make the area better:
biketarrytown.org/tappan-zee-bridge/2018-04-04-cuomo-bridge-path-solutions-2.php

24/7 Access

- Wrote an op-ed for the Journal News, which was published in July:
biketarrytown.org/tappan-zee-bridge/journal-news-editorial-response.php
- Wrote the Governor and the Thruway's Chair. Urging constituents to do the same.
- Moved Tarrytown's Mayor from opposing 24/7 access to being neutral
- Obtained endorsements from several elected officials and organizations. Following up for more.
- Engaged the League of American Bicyclists and Adventure Cycling to extend campaign's reach
- This campaign is ongoing, but on a slow burn due to projects that have immediate deadlines
- More info: biketarrytown.org/tappan-zee-bridge/

Regeneron / 100C Bridge

- NYS DOT is replacing Route 100C's bridge over Route 9A and building a roundabout
- DOT's plans were dangerous for people walking and biking
- Submitted two rounds of detailed comments. DOT incorporated some of our suggestions, including the addition of a side path and bicycle crossing.
- Subsequently requested further refinements:
biketarrytown.org/regeneron-100c/100c-9a-bridge-response-04.php

South County Trailway

- Attended ribbon cutting for the "missing link." Tweeted photos, thanking Astorino and noting issues that need to be resolved: twitter.com/BikeTarrytown/status/925413278196682752
- Contacted the County about these and related trail issues
- Updated openstreetmap.org and notified Google Maps of the new route

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