

**New York State Olympic Trail Scenic Byway
Corridor Management Plan (CMP)**

**Local Advisory Committee (LAC)
Organizational Meeting**
Location: Dulles State Office Building
Time: 6:30-8:30 P.M.
Date: April 3, 2002

Minutes

Attendees: **Bob Ashodian, Lori Borland, Andy Nevin, Mark Pacilio, David Alteri, Ken Mix, Hal Horton, John Peck, David Zembiec, and Kathy Amyot**

Kathy Amyot, Project Coordinator, opened the meeting at 6:35 P.M. and welcomed committee members to the process of developing a “Corridor Management Plan” (CMP) for the Olympic Trail Scenic Byway and thanked them for their commitment to the process. LAC members absent from the meeting gave prior notification of their absence due to conflicts in their schedule and reiterated their interest in continuing the process at the next meeting.

Dave Zembiec, New York State Tug Hill Commission, provided a **status report** of the March 6, 2002 LAC meeting, highlighting the ongoing discussion regarding goals of the western segment of the Olympic Trail Scenic Byway Corridor Management Plan. Dave reiterated the list of **goals** committee members continue to discuss in renaming of the Olympic Trail Scenic Byway to better reflect the nature of the route as a whole and communities outside the Olympic village. Suggestions for possible renaming of the Olympic Trail Scenic Byway include the “North Country Scenic Byway”, given the lakes (Ontario, Bonaparte, Star, Cranberry, Tupper, Champlain, Saranac, Placid,) and rivers (Black, Oswegotchie, Racquette, Ausable) along the route. Another suggestion was “the Northern Waters Trail” as a variation to the trail theme (such as the Olympic and Northern Water’s Trail). Members of the committee continue to emphasize the need for ample signage along the corridor to enhance the travel experience along the corridor.

Kathy and Dave Z. presented members of the LAC with a power point presentation on the Rt. 3 Black River Corridor “Design Initiative” to assist committee members in identifying and planning for long-term enhancements and protection of corridor resources. Members of the LAC directed their full attention to viewing and discussing the information presented throughout the meeting. Committee members agreed to complete the comprehensive corridor resource list while identifying enhancements and a preliminary protection plan of the resources. Following the presentation, several members of the committee requested the information be shared with local officials and planning boards from the representative communities along the corridor for consideration and implementation.

At this time, members of the Local Advisory Committee (LAC) agreed to continue to meet the first Wednesday of each month until June of 2002 from 6:30-8:30 P.M. at the 1st Floor Conference Room in the Dulles State Office Building, Washington Street, Watertown, NY.

The next meeting will be held on **May 1, 2002** at the **Dulles State Office Building, 317 Washington Street, Watertown, NY. From 6:30-8:30P.M.**

The meeting concluded at 8:30 P.M.