

As throughout the entire Study process, your opinions and comments are very important!

Once you and your fellow Long Islanders have had a chance to review and comment on the proposed plan, the Study's next step will be to seek approval of the proposed plan from the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC), the region's metropolitan planning organization.

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How Did We Get Here?

LITP2000 Study Process

LITP2000—the Long Island Transportation Plan to manage congestion—is the product of very detailed technical analyses combined with input from hundreds of Long Islanders and developed with the guidance of transportation experts and Long Island's county and local leaders. This approach has resulted in:

- ✓ Early, proactive, and continuing involvement of the public;
- ✓ Consideration of all reasonable solutions;
- ✓ Unbiased evaluation of each potential solution.

The *LITP2000* Study has actively reached out to Long Islanders, and successfully engaged hundreds of Long Islanders in the Study process. Long Islanders' ideas, suggestions, and comments were generated by:

- The Transportation Mobility Committee (100 public volunteers);
- Six Study subcommittees of 300 public volunteers and transportation professionals;

- Three televised presentations about the Study on WLIW Channel 21 (Nov. 1997, May 1998, and May 1999);
- The Web site www.LITP2000.com...VISIT!
- The telephone hotline 1-888-670-LITP...CALL!
and
- Newsletters and progress reports sent to thousands on the *LITP2000* mailing list.

Forty transportation experts and Long Island leaders have guided the Study as members of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), including representatives from:

- Long Island's State Legislators;
- Every Long Island county, town, and city;
- Federal, state, transit, environmental, and transportation agencies;
- Long Island Regional Planning Board; Dowling National Aviation & Transportation Center;
- New York Institute of Technology;
- Long Island Association;
- Transportation groups (LIRR Commuters Council,

- Paumonok Bicycle Club, Automobile Club of NY, NYS Motor Truck Assoc.);
- The general public (6 volunteers); and
- The New York State Department of Transportation, as the Study's facilitator.

The Study's state-of-the-art computerized technical evaluation tools have been used to fully identify and evaluate the Island's existing and future traffic congestion problems, and to test how well alternative strategies would work for Long Island.

Over 500 initial suggestions for congestion-management solutions were evaluated and "filtered" down to the recommendation of a proposed plan. This is an integrated approach with the Long Island Rapid Commute transit system (to provide frequent, reliable service, using modern rubber-tire vehicles as the core); complementary roadway improvements; goods movement strategies; and bicycle and pedestrian improvements.