

Appendix I: Smart Growth Documentation

I-2 Smart Growth Impact Statement and Attestation Form

Smart Growth Screening Tool

Smart Growth Impact Statement (STEP 2)

NYSDOT: Complete a Smart Growth Impact Statement (SGIS) below using the information from the Screening Tool.

Local Sponsors: The local sponsors are **not** responsible for completing a Smart Growth Impact Statement. Proceed to Step 3.

Smart Growth Impact Statement

PIN: 8T100.101

Project Name: Tappan Zee Hudson River Crossing Project

Pursuant to ECL Article 6, this project is compliant with the New York State Smart Growth Public Infrastructure Policy Act. This project has been determined to meet the relevant criteria, to the extent practicable, described in ECL Sec. 6-0107. Specifically, the project:

- Will maintain a vital, existing link in the transportation corridor between existing population and employment centers in Westchester and Rockland counties, and maintain a major route for freight movement.
- Incorporates features consistent with local planning initiative.
- By reducing the frequency of accident and incident delays on the bridge, traffic flow would be improved, thereby reducing the pollutant emissions associated with congestion and delays.
- Will provide stormwater treatment facilities at the bridge landings. This will provide a benefit to water quality, since stormwater runoff is currently untreated at the landings.
- Will incorporate the existing public transportation services, will include a shared-use bike and pedestrian pathway, and will be designed not to preclude new transit services in the corridor.
- Will be included in the NYMTC Regional Transportation Plan prior to the NEPA Record of Decision issued by the Federal Highway Administration FHWA for the project, and has been subject to public review.
- Will promote sustainability by strengthening the link between existing population and employment centers in Westchester and Rockland counties, will improve operations and emergency access on the bridge and thereby reduce greenhouse gas emissions by fostering a reduction in accidents and congestion.
- Impacts to Historic resources are being minimized, to the extent practicable.

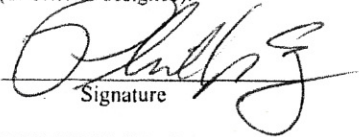
This publicly supported infrastructure project complies with the state policy of maximizing the social, economic and environmental benefits from public infrastructure development. The project will not contribute to the unnecessary costs of sprawl development, including environmental degradation, disinvestment in urban and suburban communities, or loss of open space induced by sprawl.

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Review & Attestation (STEP 3)

1. **NOW THEREFORE**, pursuant to ECL Article 6, this project is compliant with the New York State Smart Growth Public Infrastructure Policy Act, to the extent practicable, as described in the attached Smart Growth Impact Statement.

NYSDOT Commissioner, Regional Director, MO Program Director,
Chief Engineer (or official designee):

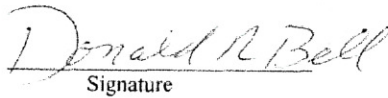

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