

Combined Sewer Overflow Long Term Control Plan Development



Public Participation Plan / CAC Role
August 9, 2007



Capital District Regional Planning Commission

Public Participation Plan Objectives

- Provide the Albany Pool Municipal Officials with Public Input
- Establish early Communication with the Public
- Encourage Dialogue between NYSDEC and the General Public
- Solicit Public Concerns during the LTCP Development
- Make the Technical Aspects of the Project Clear
- Build Awareness of the Issues Associated with CSOs



PPP Target Audience

- Albany Pool Communities' Ratepayers/Taxpayers and Residents
- The Elected and Appointed Leadership of each Albany Pool Community
- Environmental Groups and Recreational Users Associated with the Hudson River.
- The Leadership and Residents of Communities Contributing Flows to the Albany Pool CSS.
- Riverfront Business Operators



Project Committees

■ **Technical Committee:**

- Directs the Development of the LTCP
- Makes Recommendations to Municipal Leadership
- Six Members- 1 Appointed by each Community
- Ad-Hoc Members from DEC and County Sewer Districts

■ **Citizen Advisory Committee:**

- Advises the Technical Committee on Issues Important to the Public
 - Advises/Assists with Public Outreach Process
 - Provides Public Feedback
- Composition:
 - Albany Pool Communities Residents
 - Hudson River Recreational and Environmental Groups
 - Adjoining Municipalities and County Agencies
- Eight Meetings Currently Planned through 2009



Meetings and Forums

- General Public Meetings/Hearings
 - Held in Four Rounds
 - Up to Two Meetings in each County per Round
 - Outreach will be made with:
 - Press Releases
 - Newspaper Ads
 - CAC Assistance
- Municipal Leadership Meetings
 - Provide Status Reports
 - Address Issues and Concerns
 - Held as Needed



Four Rounds of Public Meetings

- Round 1 - Project Introduction and Overview
- Round 2 - Overview of CSS Characterization Findings
- Round 3 - Evaluation of Mitigation Alternatives
- Round 4 - Presentation of LTCP Final Draft



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