



2017 | Infrastructure Priority List

Rochester Finger Lakes Region



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Transformative Corridors: Mt. Read Boulevard

Transportation Infrastructure Priority

The Mt. Read Boulevard project is one of three Transformative Corridors that is key in attracting businesses to the Greater Rochester area. Businesses seeking development require quality means of transportation when selecting their sites, and in order to keep Rochester as a viable location site, our infrastructure needs vital upgrades.



Mt. Read Boulevard, in the City of Rochester and Monroe County, spans from Buffalo Road (NYS Route 33) to West Ridge Road (NYS Route 104). This 4.4 mile corridor is the gateway to Eastman Business Park – one of Rochester’s key sites with 1 million square feet of manufacturing and warehouse space, offering up to 3,000 new jobs. The Finger Lakes Regional Economic Development Council estimates a 4% employment growth per year for jobs along this corridor.

The current conditions are plagued with problematic design and deteriorating infrastructure, making it hard for local developments to attract business and investment. A Project Advisory Committee (PAC) studied the condition and reported several deficiencies including: poor pavement, conditions that inhibit truck mobility, traffic congestions, accident ‘hot spots,’ and systems such as traffic signals and guiderails that are beyond their useful service life.

An investment of \$4 million is sought to complete detailed designs for Mt. Read Boulevard and the other two Transformative Corridors.

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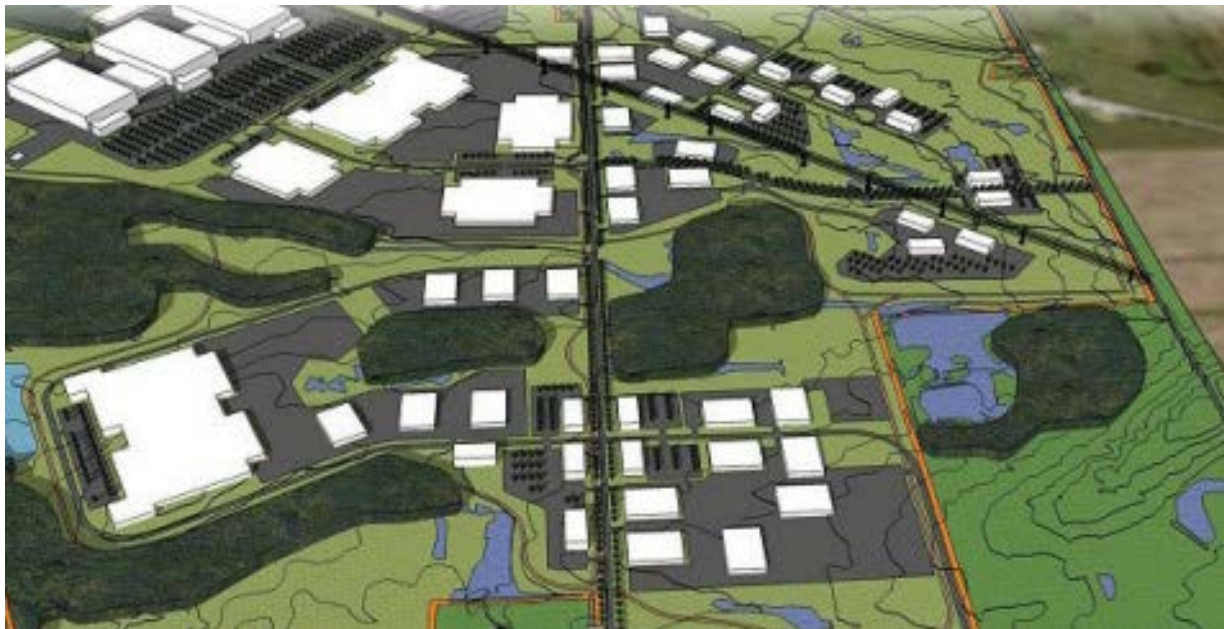
Transformative Corridors: NYS Route 77

Transportation Infrastructure Priority

NYS Route 77 is one of three projects that are key in attracting businesses to the Greater Rochester area. Businesses looking to move or expand require quality means of transportation when selecting their sites, and in order to keep Rochester as a viable location site, our infrastructure needs vital upgrades.

This route is one of the main service roads for the Science, Technology and Advanced Manufacturing Park (STAMP) in Alabama, NY. The STAMP facility is another key initiative in the Finger Lakes region. It will be an expansive campus, spanning over 1,250 acres prime for manufacturing. It also has potential for hosting 10,000 new jobs. In order to secure its viability as a site for major national companies, the transportation and infrastructure needs to be up to par.

NYS Route 77, between I-90 NYS Thruway and Judge Road (NYS Route 63), is the road servicing the STAMP facility. It is in need of major upgrades to keep up with STAMP's manufacturing, supply, and building transportation demands for its estimated \$4.7 billion dollar economic output operation.



It is imperative that these transformative corridors are funded, as businesses look for reliable, safe, expedient means of transportation for their employees and products. As such, an investment of \$4 million is sought to complete detailed designs for NYS Route 77 and the other two Transformative Corridors.

Transformative Corridors: NYS Route 96

Transportation Infrastructure Priority

NYS Route 96 is one of three projects that are key in attracting businesses to the Greater Rochester area. Businesses require quality means of transportation when selecting their sites. In order to keep Rochester as a viable location site, our infrastructure needs vital upgrades.

The Victor Business District is home to hundreds of high-tech jobs and a potential for 1,700 new jobs as part of the Fisher's Ridge, Lehigh Crossing Office Park, and Meadows Business Park commercial real estate developments. NYS Route 96 between the I-90 and the Town/Village of Victor Line is in need of major upgrades, as it is currently plagued with severe congestion during peak travel times. With the new Pinnacle Athletic Campus attracting even more tourist for tournaments, it is essential to have an upgraded road servicing the area.

This project will provide for future growth of the Village of Victor Business District through access management and improved traffic signal operation.

An investment of \$4 million is sought to complete detailed designs for NYS Route 96 as well as the other two Transformative Corridors.



Business Aviation Complex: Greater Rochester International Airport (ROC)

Airport Infrastructure



The ROC Business Aviation Complex is seeking funding for its renovation and expansion to accommodate Rochester's growing business needs. As Rochester seeks to become the AIM Photonics, Manufacturing, and High Tech Capital, a competitive airport infrastructure for potential businesses is essential to support Rochester's economic growth potential.

The Business Aviation Complex has utilized Federal-FAA and NYSDOT grants coupled with airport funding to make improvements to this area in recent years. These renovations have included land acquisition, rehabilitation of airfield facilities, and demolition of dilapidated buildings to rehabilitate adjacent aircraft apron.

The following proposed projects are needed to modernize the complex. Hangars 1 & 2 are the oldest hangars – dating back to the 1950's – and need demolition in order to make the site shovel-ready for private investment. Another older facility is the Wilmore Hangar, which is in need of renovations to bring it up to code, and is also occupied on private property which needs to be purchased by the Airport so that it can be leveraged to airport-dependent tenants. The Authority Hangar is the last of the 50's era buildings and is in need of renovations so that it remains leased and occupied.

These important renovations will cost several millions of dollars to complete. With this investment, the ROC Airport will be able to add 10 business jets, create 50 new jobs and add \$10 million in annual economic activity.

Proposed funding sources for this project include:

- Consolidated Funding Applications (CFA)
- \$200M Upstate Airport Economic Development and Revitalization Competition
- Private Investment solicited by the NY Aviation Jobs Act (AJA) which exempts aircraft and equipment from state sales and use tax in order to attract airlines to New York state

Funding for this \$8.4 million dollar project will be delineated in 3 phases as follows:

- Phase 1 = \$1.6 Million
- Phase 2 = \$625,000
- Phase 3 = \$6.2 Million

Note: a request for \$5.4 million (excluding the \$3 million in land acquisitions) was submitted in a 2015 CFA proposal but was not awarded. In addition the Governor has issued an executive proposal in the 2017 executive budget to create a \$200 Million "Airport Economic Development and Revitalization Competition program" and it is hopeful that this project will qualify for this program if the program is approved in the budget.

WNY STAMP

Science, Technology & Advanced Manufacturing Park Site Infrastructure

WNY STAMP is the development of New York State's second shovel-ready mega site (1,250 acres) designed for nanotech-oriented manufacturing (semiconductor, flat panel display, solar/PV), advanced manufacturing, and large-scale bio-manufacturing projects. The site is located in the New York Power Authority's (NYPA) low cost hydropower zone and is serviced by redundant, highly reliable power. Located just 5 miles north of the New York State Thruway (I-90) exit 48a, the site is easily accessible to the region's 2.3 million population. Located less than 20 minutes from the Buffalo Niagara International Airport, an active customs site, STAMP is the ideal mega site.



Project Highlights:

- Mega site 1250 acres
- R&D and Manufacturing Campus for nanotechnology & high tech industries
- Utility infrastructure available- includes electric (115kv and 345kv on site) gas, water (13mgd), and sewer (12mgd)
- START-UP NY Site: 10 Year NYS Tax Free
- Low cost hydro-electric power
- Population- 2.3 million
- Low construction costs with RS Means 94-99, below the national average
- 57 college & universities regionally
- 300,000 students enrolled
- AAU Universities including University at Buffalo, University of Rochester, and Cornell University



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