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I-481 Industrial Corridor Transportation Study to be Presented at Public Information Meeting

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — The Syracuse Metropolitan Transportation Council (SMTC) will be holding the second of three public meetings for its **I-481 Industrial Corridor Transportation Study** – a study that is examining the transportation implications of current and anticipated office and industrial development in the I-481 Industrial Corridor study area. As part of the study, the SMTC is seeking to identify what actions can be taken to make the most efficient use of the existing transportation system's finite capacity, while carefully considering its impact on the rest of the community (i.e., residents who live and travel along the same road network).

The SMTC encourages the public's input and participation. Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend the following public information meeting:

JULY 15, 2003 ~ 6:30 PM

**Bishop Grimes High School
6653 Kirkville Road, E. Syracuse, N.Y.**

*Meeting will be held in cafeteria. Please park in back
parking lot, and enter building from rear entrance.*

At the July 15th meeting, **open to the public**, the SMTC and Parsons Brinckerhoff (consultant hired to conduct the Study) will present the latest round of work performed and information that has been obtained over the past year, including (1) a 20-year build-out analysis of the area; (2) a multi-modal examination of

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the adequacy of the local street network and linkages with air, rail, transit, bicycle and pedestrian travel; and (3) the consideration of relevant transportation and land use issues brought forth by the public.

At the meeting, the public will be invited to comment on the information presented, as well as speak out on the next phase of the study process, which involves the formulation of a draft set of recommendations, proposed improvements, and an implementation plan that meet the goals and objectives of the **I-481 Industrial Corridor Transportation Study**. Citizen input obtained from this meeting will be considered throughout the remaining stages of the study, and will be factored into subsequent reports, conclusions, and/or recommendations.

For more information about the July 15, 2003 public meeting, or to learn more about the **I-481 Industrial Corridor Transportation Study**, contact Wayne Westervelt of the SMTC at (315) 422-5716, or wwestervelt@smtcmpo.org



Bishop Grimes High School is handicapped accessible. Please advise the SMTC of specific accommodations required to facilitate your participation in this public meeting.

What is the SMTC?

The Syracuse Metropolitan Transportation Council was formed in 1966 as a result of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1962 and Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964. Serving as the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Syracuse Metropolitan area, the SMTC provides the forum for cooperative decision making in developing transportation plans and programs for Onondaga County and small portions of Madison and Oswego Counties. The SMTC is comprised of elected and appointed officials, representing local, state and federal governments or agencies having interest in or responsibility for transportation planning and programming.

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