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Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Recommendations to be Presented at June 8th Public Meeting

SYRACUSE, N.Y. – The Syracuse Metropolitan Transportation Council (SMTC) will be holding the final scheduled public information meeting to share the recommendations from the recently completed Bicycle and Pedestrian with the public.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2005 @ 6:00 PM

Onondaga Lake Park, Willow Bay Pavilion, Liverpool, New York

The SMTC recently completed its Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for the SMTC Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) area. The SMTC Policy Committee approved the Plan on March 14, 2005. The study area included all of Onondaga County and small portions of Oswego and Madison Counties.

As a policy-level plan, the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan puts forth policies and guidelines to shape future bicycle and pedestrian facilities and amenities within the MPO area. The report is non-location specific so that it can be applied in the various municipalities represented within the MPO region. It is the SMTC's desire that municipalities will utilize the Plan's recommendations as a starting point when addressing bicycle and pedestrian planning options within their respective communities. To download the Plan, visit www.smctmpo.org/bike-ped.

For more information about the June 8th Public Meeting (including directions), view the meeting flyer at www.smtcmpo.org/bike-ped or contact Danielle Krol of the SMTC at (315) 422-5716.

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Willow Bay Pavilion is handicapped accessible. Please advise the SMTC of specific accommodations required to facilitate your participation in this public meeting.

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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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