



Negative Declaration

Date Issued: December 24, 2015

CEQR Number: 16DOT010R

Name: Amboy Road Reconstruction and Widening, Staten Island

Location: Amboy Road between Richmond Avenue and Armstrong Avenue

SEQRA
Classification: This project is classified as an Unlisted Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR, Part 617

Description:

The New York City Department of Transportation (DOT) has completed its review of the above referenced Environmental Assessment Statement (EAS) and hereby issues this Negative Declaration.

DOT is proposing to widen and improve Amboy Road between Richmond Avenue and Armstrong Avenue. The proposed project would result in additional travel lanes, new medians, and would reconstruct approximately 2,000 linear feet of Amboy Road (approximately 143,831 square feet of surface area) to current DOT design standards with relocated curbs, sidewalks, and street lighting. To implement the proposed project, the City would acquire private land within the mapped street right-of-way, which comprises portions of front yards, parking areas, and driveways of commercial and auto-related properties. The proposed action is located in the Eltingville neighborhood of Staten Island Community Board 3. The estimated time of construction completion (Build year) is 2017.

Statement of No Significant Effect

Pursuant to Executive Order 91 of 1977, as amended, and the Rules of Procedure for City Environmental Quality Review, found at Title 62, Chapter 5 of the Rules of the City of New York and Part 617 of Title 6 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (6 NYCRR) of the State Environmental Quality Review, DOT assumed the role of lead agency for the environmental review of the proposed project. Based on a review of the project information contained in an EAS dated October 2015, DOT has determined that the proposed action would not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.

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Reasons Supporting this Determination

The above determination is based on the EAS dated October 2015 and incorporated by reference herein, which makes the following conclusions regarding the proposed project:

1. Trees

The proposed project would require clearing an estimated 31 street trees. The determination of the final tree clearing, tree replacement and protection plan would be identified during the final design in coordination with the NYC Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR) and in accordance with the requirements of Local Law 3 of 2010. As part of this task, a site visit would be arranged with representatives of DOT, DPR (including its Staten Island Forestry Unit) and DDC along with a certified arborist to survey and catalog the trees to be cleared and where 42 new trees would be planted along Amboy Road. The arborist's report will be shared with DPR Forestry staff ahead of the DDC and DPR on-site meeting to discuss planned removals and plans for tree protection.

2. No other significant effects upon the environment that would require the preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement are foreseeable.

This Negative Declaration has been prepared in accordance with Article 8 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law (SEQRA).



Ryan Russo, Deputy Commissioner
Division of Transportation Planning and Management

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Attachment:

Part III: DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE (To Be Completed by Lead Agency)

INSTRUCTIONS: In completing Part III, the lead agency should consult 6 NYCRR 617.7 and 43 RCNY § 6-06 (Executive Order 91 or 1977, as amended), which contain the State and City criteria for determining significance.

1. For each of the impact categories listed below, consider whether the project may have a significant adverse effect on the environment, taking into account its (a) location; (b) probability of occurring; (c) duration; (d) irreversibility; (e) geographic scope; and (f) magnitude.

Potentially Significant Adverse Impact

IMPACT CATEGORY	YES	NO
Land Use, Zoning, and Public Policy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Socioeconomic Conditions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Community Facilities and Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Open Space	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Shadows	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Historic and Cultural Resources	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Urban Design/Visual Resources	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Natural Resources	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hazardous Materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Water and Sewer Infrastructure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Solid Waste and Sanitation Services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Energy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Air Quality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Greenhouse Gas Emissions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Noise	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Public Health	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Neighborhood Character	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Construction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

2. Are there any aspects of the project relevant to the determination of whether the project may have a significant impact on the environment, such as combined or cumulative impacts, that were not fully covered by other responses and supporting materials?


YES NO

If there are such impacts, attach an explanation stating whether, as a result of them, the project may have a significant impact on the environment.

3. Check determination to be issued by the lead agency:

- Positive Declaration:** If the lead agency has determined that the project may have a significant impact on the environment, and if a Conditional Negative Declaration is not appropriate, then the lead agency issues a *Positive Declaration* and prepares a draft Scope of Work for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).
- Conditional Negative Declaration:** A *Conditional Negative Declaration* (CND) may be appropriate if there is a private applicant for an Unlisted action AND when conditions imposed by the lead agency will modify the proposed project so that no significant adverse environmental impacts would result. The CND is prepared as a separate document and is subject to the requirements of 6 NYCRR Part 617.
- Negative Declaration:** If the lead agency has determined that the project would not result in potentially significant adverse environmental impacts, then the lead agency issues a *Negative Declaration*. The *Negative Declaration* may be prepared as a separate document (see [template](#)) or using the embedded Negative Declaration on the next page.

4. LEAD AGENCY'S CERTIFICATION

TITLE Deputy Commissioner	LEAD AGENCY New York City Department of Transportation
NAME Ryan Russo	DATE December 24, 2015
SIGNATURE 	

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