

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

September 2, 2010, 7 PM

**WALKWAY OVER THE HUDSON
STATE HISTORIC PARK**

PROPOSED ELEVATOR PROJECT

Taconic Regional Headquarters
9 Old Post Road, Staatsburg, NY

OUTLINE

- Agency and Organizational Roles
- Committed Funding Sources
- Project Location
- Project Objectives
- Environmental Review Process
- Alternatives
- Schedule



AGENCY AND ORGANIZATIONAL ROLES

- NYS Parks is Lead Agency under State Environmental Quality Review Act
- Federal Highway Administration is lead agency under National Environmental Protection Act
- Walkway Over the Hudson currently owns the bridge
- Future ownership of the bridge will be by NYSBA
- Ownership of the Elevator will be by NYS Parks
- Project funds are provided by Federal Highway Administration through NYSDOT
- Consulting services are being provided by Bergmann Associates and McLaren Engineering Group



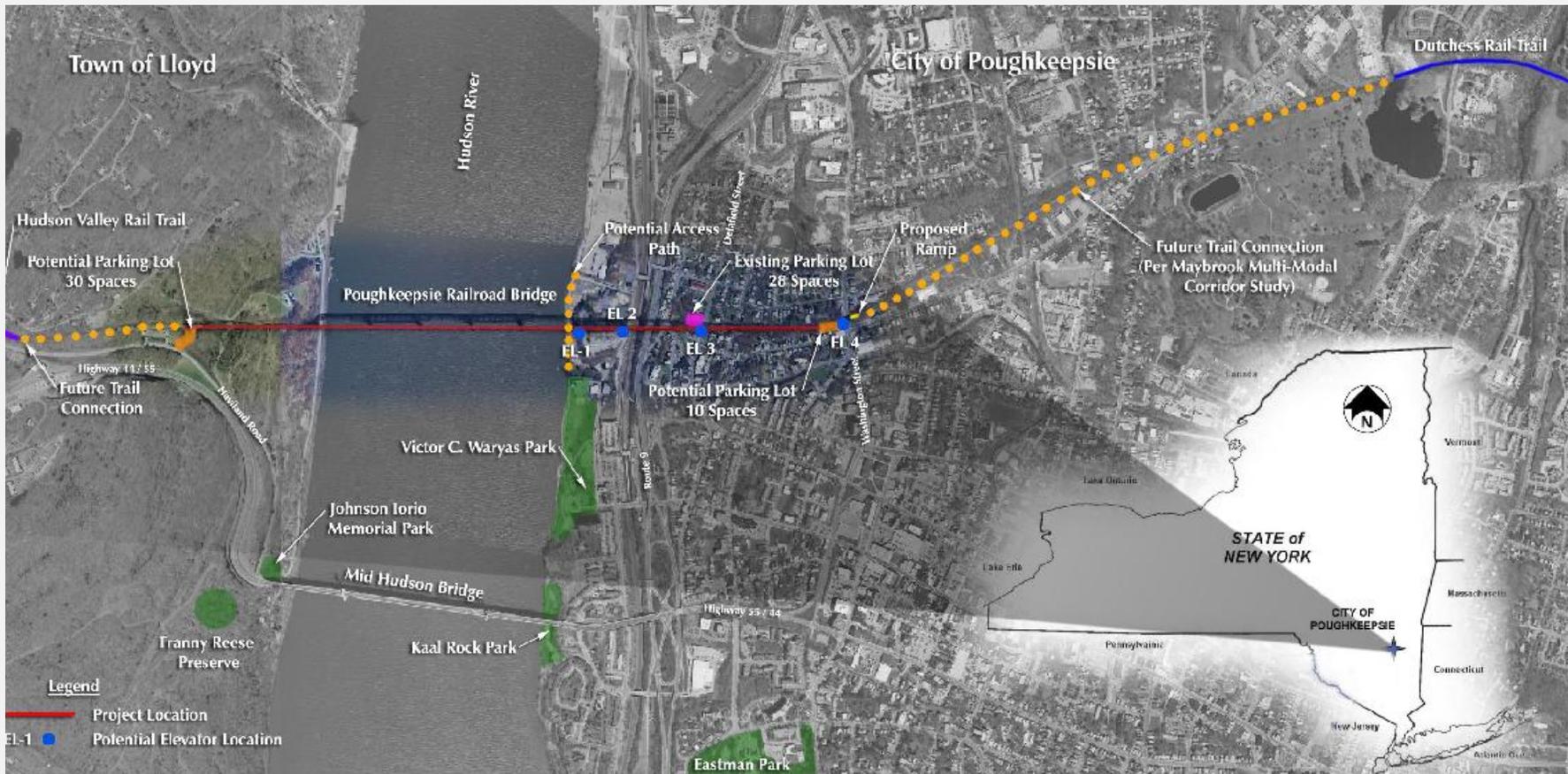
COMMITTED FUNDING SOURCES

- Funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) as a Transportation Enhancement Project.

Funding Allocation	
Item	Amount Available
Total Available Funds	\$2,400,000
Design	\$200,000
Construction	\$2,200,000
Inspection	\$200,000

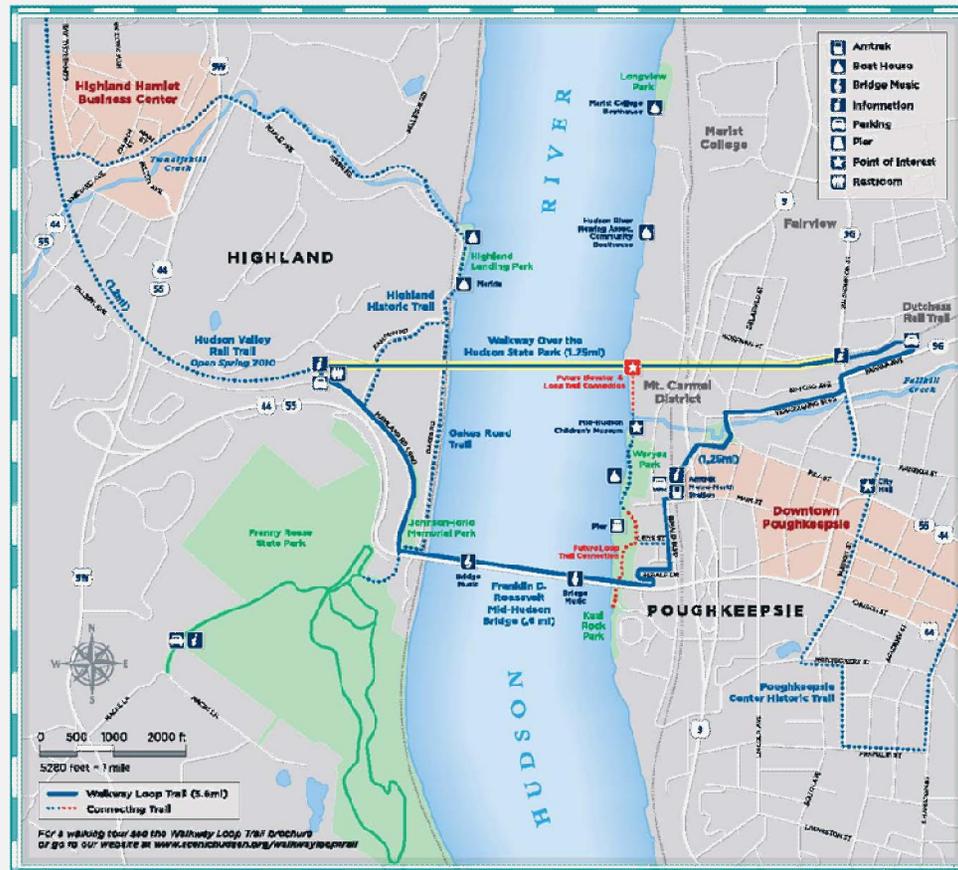
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PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Connect the Park to the waterfront and lower street network of Poughkeepsie.
- Enhance multi-modal access to the Park by facilitating more direct access to the train station.
- Provide easier access for persons with disabilities to the Park near the center of the bridge.
- Provide a unique and enjoyable experience that enhances both the Park and the Poughkeepsie waterfront area.
- Provide continued economic benefit to the region.



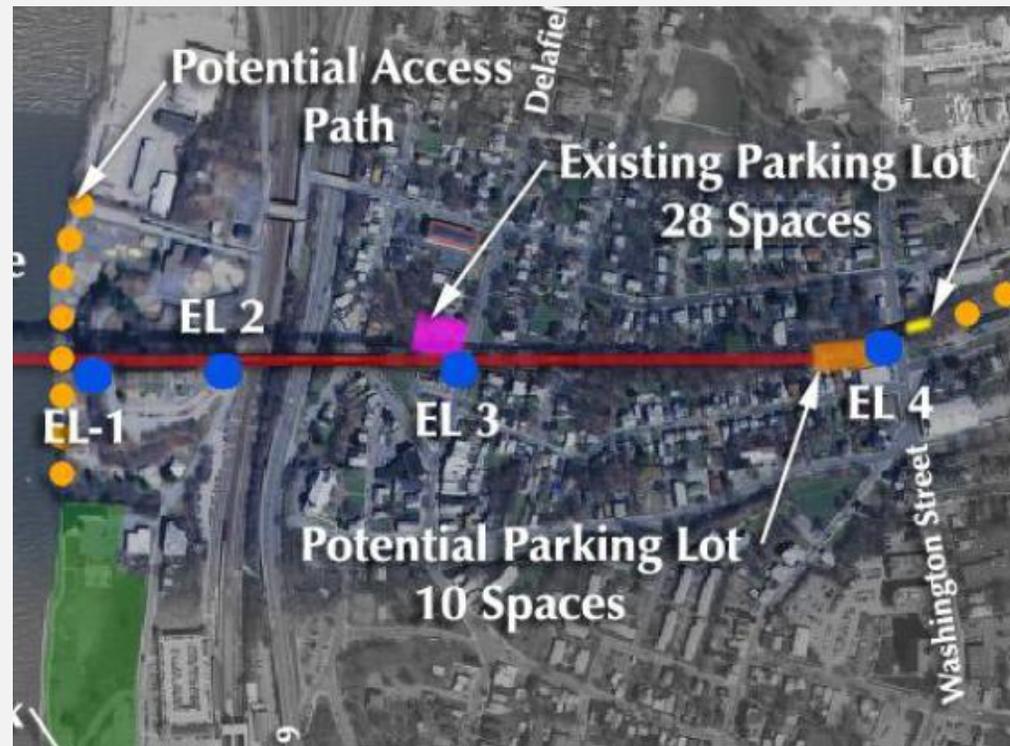
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS

- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
 - Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and NYSDOT are the NEPA lead agencies under SAFETEA-LU
 - This project is a NEPA Categorical Exclusion with Documentation
- State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR)
 - NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation is the SEQR Lead Agency
 - This project is a SEQR Type I Action



ALTERNATIVES

- Location Alternatives
 1. Pier 6
 2. North Water Street
 3. Delafield Street
 4. Washington Street
- Pier 6 is the Preferred Location Alternative



ALTERNATIVES

- Functional Alternatives
 - Null / Do Nothing
 - Tower with One Elevator, Future Stairs Possible
 - Tower with One Elevator and Stairs
 - Tower with Two Elevators and Stairs
- One Elevator and Stairs is the Preferred Alternative
 - Second Elevator could be added in the future



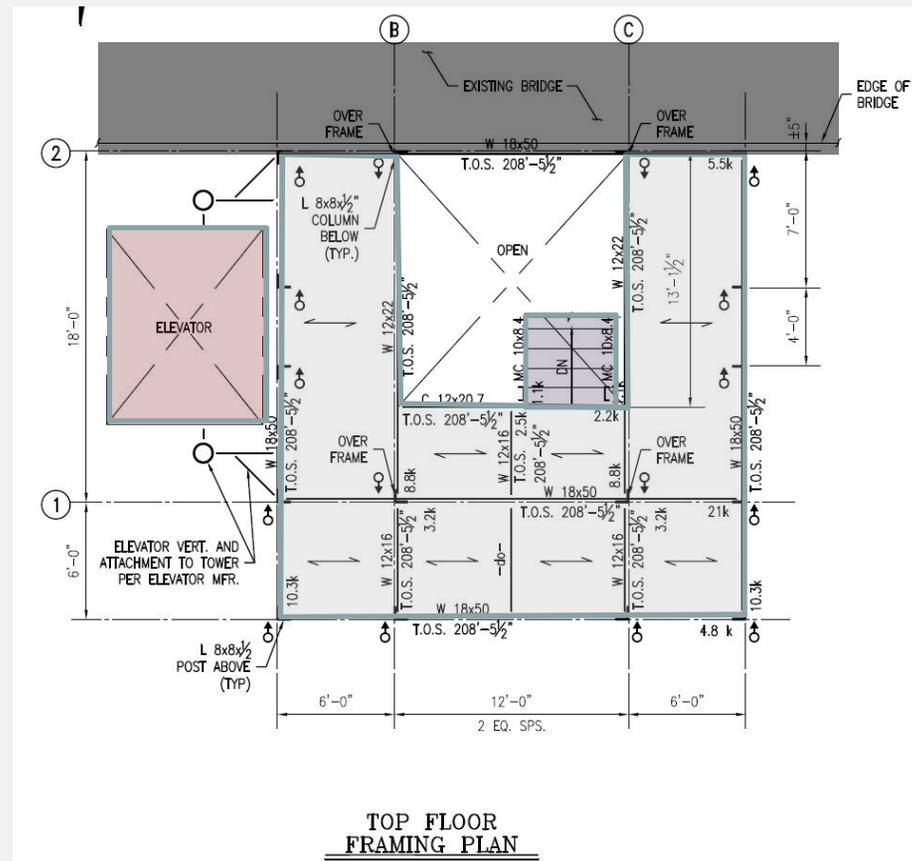
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- Elevator Features
 - Type: Direct Linear Drive (Two Mast Rack and Pinion)
 - Car Platform Size: approx. 7'-6" Front to Back by 10'-0" Wide
 - Capacity: 7,500 pounds, approx. 25 people
 - Speed: 200 Feet per minute, assume 5 minute round trip
 - Car Design: Glass & Painted Aluminum



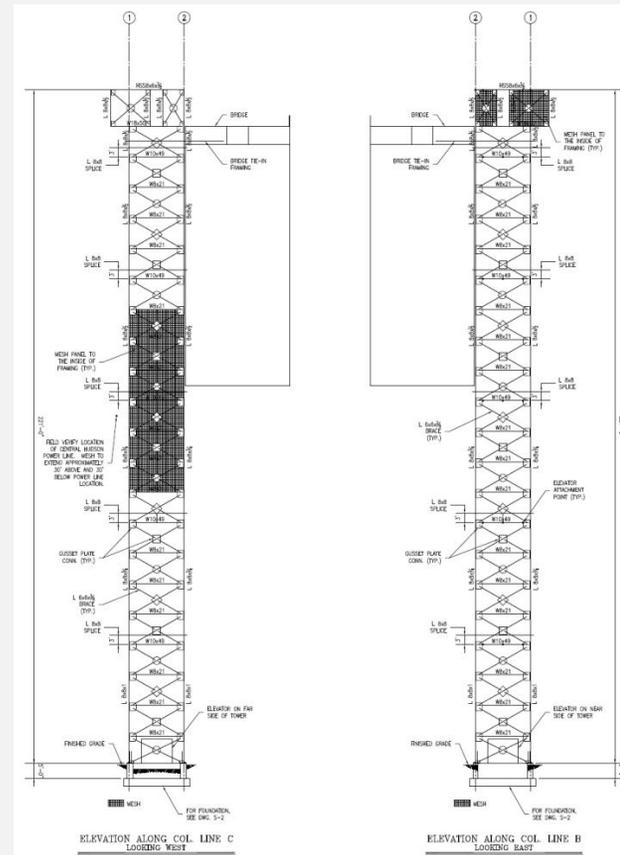
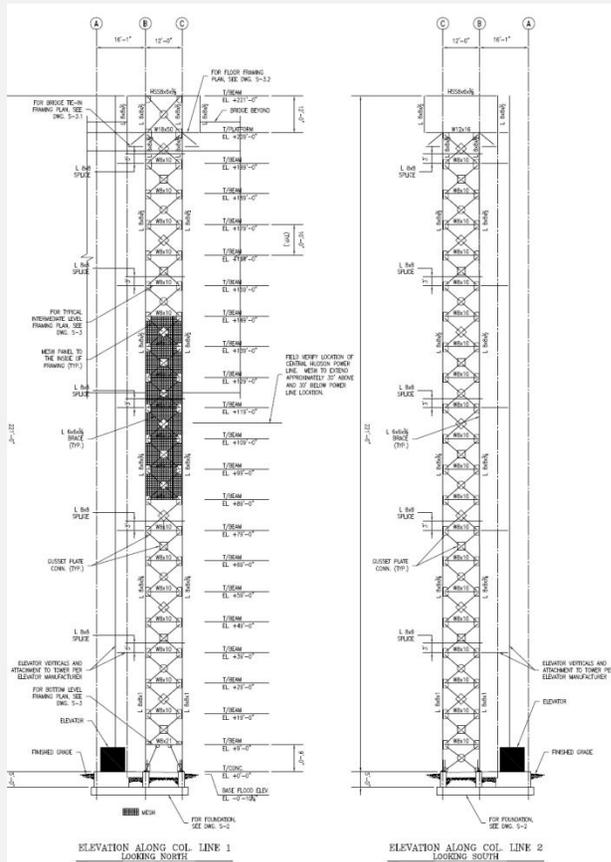
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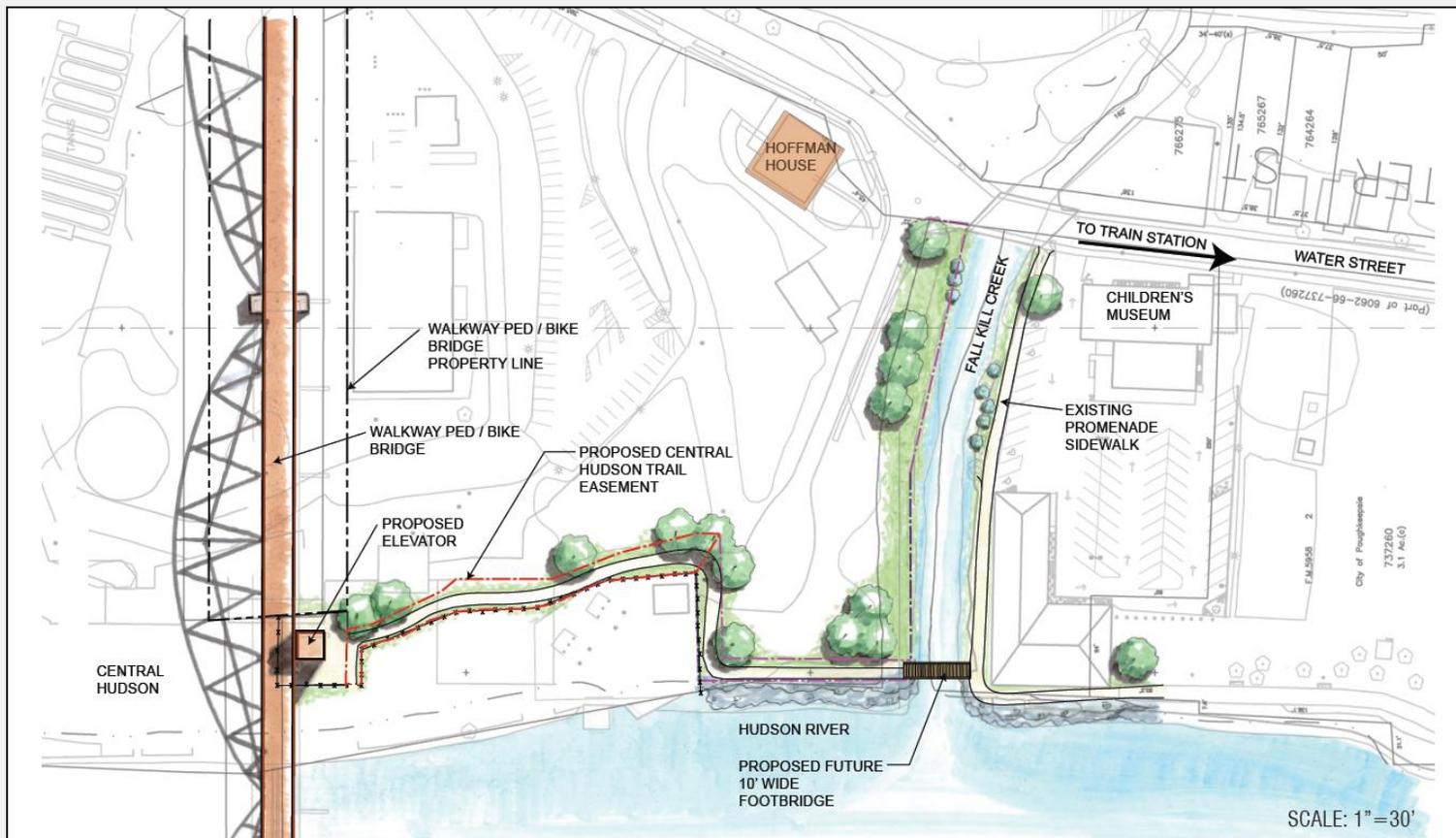


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- Trail Features
 - Asphalt Paved Trail
 - 10 ft wide (typical), 8 ft wide (minimum)
 - Security Gate and Fencing along both sides of Trail
 - Lighting and Security Cameras linked to existing Security System



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- Existing Conditions



SCHEDULE

- Environmental Review and Design
 - Ongoing
 - Design Complete: November 2010
- Construction
 - Advertisement for Bids: December 2010
 - Construction: 2011
- Project Completion
 - March 2012



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