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Appendix A: List of Public Notices

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# ***Please Join Us for a Public Scoping Meeting***

Wednesday, February 25, 2009 @ 7:00 p.m.

The Waterfront School

95 Fourth Street

Buffalo, NY 14202



# canalside

*A Public Scoping Meeting for the*

## **CANAL SIDE PROJECT**

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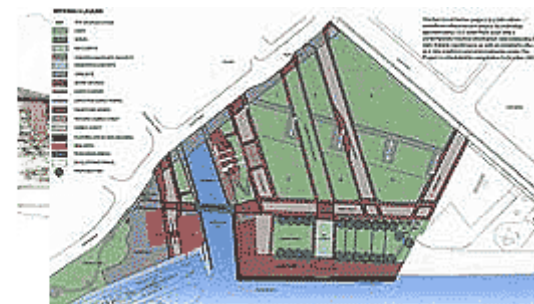
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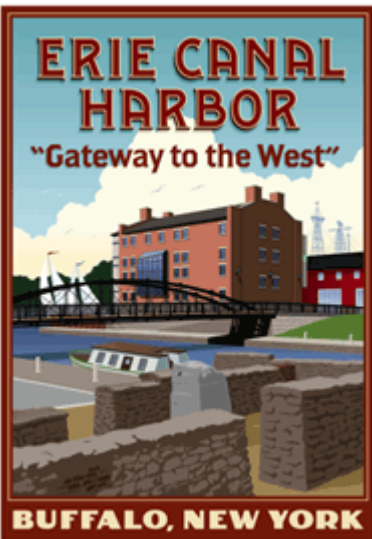
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On behalf of the Governor's office, Empire State Development and Erie Canal Harbor Development Corporation (ECHDC), let me thank you for your interest in the redevelopment and transformation of Western New York's waterfront!

ECHDC's Board of Directors and dedicated staff remains committed to restoring the greatness of Buffalo's inner and outer harbor areas.

As a result, this website has been designed to help inform local residents, prospective visitors and other interested parties of the Corporation's efforts and progress. In addition, the site includes significant historical details, work-proposal requests, photos and other important information to help educate visitors on current and future projects administered or funded by ECHDC.

To access this information, please click on the appropriate links located in the upper-left and upper-right columns of this website.

Please visit us again soon!

Sincerely,

Jordan Levy  
Chairman, Erie Canal Harbor Development Corporation

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# Erie Canal Harbor Development Corp.

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## **\*\*\*PUBLIC NOTICE: CANAL SIDE PROJECT\*\*\***

The New York State Urban Development Corporation, d/b/a Empire State Development Corporation (ESDC), as Lead Agency on behalf of its subsidiary corporation, the Erie Canal Harbor Development Corporation (ECHDC), will be preparing a generic environmental impact statement (GEIS) to assess the economic, social and environmental effects of undertaking the **Canal Side** project, a mixed-use waterfront development within the City of Buffalo's historic Erie Canal Harbor district. Your input is needed to help identify and define the scope of issues that will be examined in the draft GEIS. This notice is issued in accordance with Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law.

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Wednesday, February 25, 2009 @ 7:00 p.m.**

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Written comments will also be accepted until 5:00 P.M. on March 13, 2009. Comments may be submitted to the lead agency: Paul Tronolone, Empire State Development Corporation, 95 Perry Street, Buffalo, NY 14203.

**The draft scoping report for the project can be viewed at:**  
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February 9, 2009

To Involved & Interested Agencies:

The New York State Urban Development Corporation, d/b/a Empire State Development Corporation ("ESDC"), as Lead Agency on behalf of its subsidiary corporation, the Erie Canal Harbor Development Corporation ("ECHDC"), has issued a Positive Declaration and intends to prepare a Generic Environmental Impact Statement ("GEIS") to assess the economic, social and environmental effects of undertaking the proposed Canal Side Project (the "Project"), a mixed-use waterfront development within the City of Buffalo's historic Erie Canal Harbor area.

In July 2007, in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), ESDC issued notices to potentially involved state and local agencies to solicit lead agency status for the SEQRA review of the Project. No objections to ESDC serving as SEQRA lead agency were received during the 30-day comment period.

ESDC has issued a Draft Scoping Report to define the key issues that will be assessed in the draft GEIS. Copies of the Full Environmental Assessment Form, Positive Declaration, and Draft Scoping Report are enclosed for your review.

**On Wednesday, February 25, 2009 at 2:00 p.m., ESDC and ECHDC will host an Agency Scoping Meeting to provide you with information on the Project and an opportunity to provide comments on the Draft Scoping Report. The meeting will be held at the agencies' offices at 95 Perry Street, Suite 500, Buffalo NY. Parking is available in the 95 Perry Street visitor's lot, and public metered parking is also accessible on Mississippi Street.**

Please contact Mary Coleman ([mcoleman@empire.state.ny.us](mailto:mcoleman@empire.state.ny.us), 716-846-8232) to confirm your attendance at the Agency Scoping Meeting by **close of business Monday, February 23, 2009**. If you are unavailable to attend, please be advised that a Public Scoping Meeting will also be held on February 25, 2009, at 7:00 P.M. at the Waterfront School, 95 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Buffalo, NY. Comments on the Draft Scoping Report will be accepted until March 13, 2009.

Sincerely,

Paul J. Tronolone, AICP  
Senior Project Manager  
Empire State Development Corporation

Matthew N. Davison  
Director of Communications  
Erie Canal Harbor Development Corporation

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### Positive Declaration and Public Scoping

**Erie County** - The Empire State Development Corporation, as lead agency, has determined that the proposed Canal Side may have a significant adverse impact on the environment and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement must be prepared. Written comments on the draft scope will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on March 13, 2009. **A public scoping session will be held on February 25, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Waterfront School, 95 4th Street, Buffalo, New York.** A draft Scoping Document has been prepared and is available at [www.eriecanalharbor.com](http://www.eriecanalharbor.com). The action involves the development of 725,000 - 950,000 square feet of retail, cultural, residential, and office space on 18 development parcels within approximately 20 acres of land in downtown Buffalo that would be designed to evoke Buffalo's heritage as a "gateway to the west" for commerce,

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transportation and immigration. Overall, the project would provide various year round offerings and experiences, including restaurants, entertainment venues, retail outlets, cultural attractions, public spaces and increased access to Lake Erie and the Buffalo River appealing to a wide demographic of visitors and residents. The project would create a series of walkable "neighborhood districts" which would be defined by the historical street grid, expansive public access areas and convenient, yet unobtrusive vehicle parking options.

It is anticipated that Empire State Development Corporation (ESDC) and the Erie Canal Harbor Development Corporation (ECHDC), a subsidiary of ESDC, would adopt a General Project Plan (GPP). The Proposed Action would also involve: disposition by the various state and local agencies of certain owned property to ECHDC within the Project Area; Public Authorities Control Board approval; and provision of state funding for Project elements. The project is located on Lower Main Street in the City of Buffalo, New York.

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