

# The Capital District Regional Planning Commission presents a Local Government Planning & Zoning Workshop

October 15, 2015: 8:00 am to 3:30 pm  
Bulmer Telecommunications Center,  
Hudson Valley Community College, Troy, New York

## Program Sessions

Time	Session A	Session B	Session C
8:00am	<b>Registration</b>		
8:30am	<b>Climate and Energy Planning for Local Government</b>		
	<p>A Primer on the tools and initiatives municipalities can utilize to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, save money, and adapt to a changing climate.</p> <p><i>Presented by: Robyn Reynolds, Climate Action Associates</i></p>		
10:30am	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SEQR Basics*</b></p> <p>This introduction to the State Environmental Quality Review Act includes an overview of the environmental assessment form (EAF), Type I, Type II, and Unlisted actions and the sequence of making a positive or negative declaration on a project's potential to have an adverse impact on the environment. The relationship between the administration of local regulations and SEQR will also be discussed.</p> <p><i>Presented by: NYSDOS</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Green Infrastructure</b></p> <p>This course will include presentations on soil restoration techniques, urban forestry and performance and training green infrastructure maintenance.</p> <p><i>Presented by: William Buetow, TRC Solutions; Tom Denny, Sustainable Saratoga; Madison Quinn, Onondaga County Save the Rain.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Long-Range Regional Transportation Planning</b></p> <p>This workshop will include an explanation and summary of the recently completed New Visions 2040 Transportation Plan prepared by the Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC). There will a discussion of its key recommendations with a focus on specific strategies relating to land use and local planning and zoning. The session will also include ways in which CDTC can assist and cooperate with local planning and zoning boards including a discussion about undertaking a GEIS and adopting Mitigation fees as a local initiative.</p> <p><i>Presented by: CDTC</i></p>
12:30pm	<b>Lunch</b>		
1:30pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Solar Energy Regulation</b></p> <p>This course addresses the authority of local governments to regulate photovoltaic solar energy systems—from modest residential and agricultural systems to large-scale institutional and commercial solar arrays and sun farms. Environmental and economic benefits and aesthetic challenges are discussed, and tools such as the New York State Unified Solar Permit are provided to allow solar arrays and regulate their impacts.</p> <p><i>Presented by: NYSDOS</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Linkage Study Program</b></p> <p>This workshop will describe CDTC's award-winning Linkage Study Program, and how it relates to land use and local planning and zoning rules and regulations. It will include a discussion of the application process and examples from the 83 linkage studies completed and awarded to-date, focusing on specific studies related directly to planning guidelines and zoning codes.</p> <p><i>Presented by: CDTC</i></p>	

If your municipality has passed a resolution accepting this training, it will meet the State law for Planning and Zoning Boards continuing education requirements (sample resolutions available upon request). A certificate of attendance will be provided to Planning and Zoning Board attendees for each session attended.

\*Service credit hours for Code Enforcement officers attending these courses.

**Fee:** \$30, which includes lunch. Please make checks payable to CDRPC.

**Registration Deadline:** October 9, 2015



# Registration Form

Registration will end when seats are filled or by October 9, 2015. To register, please fill out and mail, e-mail or fax this form to:

**Capital District Regional Planning Commission**

**One Park Place, Suite 102**

**Albany, New York 12205**

**Fax: 453-0856**

**E-mail: [donna@cdrpc.org](mailto:donna@cdrpc.org)**

Please photocopy this form as needed for additional registrants. If you have any questions, call Donna Reinhart at CDRPC: 453-0850.

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**Affiliation:**

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**Please indicate the 10:30am session you plan to attend:**

SEQR Basics

Green Infrastructure

Long-Range Regional Transportation Planning

**Please indicate the 1:30pm session you plan to attend:**

Solar Energy Regulation

Linkage Study Program

**Directions to HVCC: From the North:** The Hudson Valley campus is minutes from exit 7 of the Northway (I-87). Follow Rte. 7 East approximately 1.5 miles to I-787 South. Take I-787 South to Rte. 378 East. Over bridge bear right to Rte. 4 south and continue for 1 mile to the campus on your left. **From the South:** Take Exit 23 off I-87 (NYS Thruway). Follow I-787 North 6 miles to the exit for Rte. 378 East and follow as above. **From the East:** Take Exit B-1 of the Massachusetts Turnpike and follow I-90 approximately 9 miles to Exit 8. Turn left off ramp to Route 4. Campus is 5 miles ahead on the right. **From the West:** Take Exit 24 off I-90 (NYS Thruway), continue on I-90 East 6 miles to I-787 North (Troy). Follow I-787 as above.