



What is The Nassau Hub Study?

Nassau County has just initiated *The Nassau Hub Study Alternatives Analysis/Environmental Impact Statement (AA/EIS)*. Funded through a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant, the Study will identify transportation issues within the central portion of the County and make recommendations for improvements that will enhance the existing transit network, provide new transportation choices, address congestion issues, and support economic development efforts.

Where is The Nassau Hub?

The Nassau Hub occupies an approximate 11-square-mile area in the heart of Nassau County, and is home to the Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum, Hofstra University, Nassau Community College, Roosevelt Field, Eisenhower Park, Museum Row and other notable County features (refer to the map on the back of this page). Additionally, thousands of residents, employees, students and others live, work or travel in and through the area. However, this crucial economic center, so vital to the future of Nassau County, faces substantial traffic congestion, which results in longer commutes, decreased environmental quality, and overall difficulty in traveling within and through the area.

Why undertake The Nassau Hub Study?

The Nassau Hub Major Investment Study (MIS), completed in 2006, identified mobility problems in the study area, such as growing traffic congestion, auto-centered development, increased pollution and constraints on economic growth. The MIS concluded that Federal grants could potentially be used to help implement transit improvements in the Hub. Therefore, Nassau County is undertaking the Nassau Hub Study AA/EIS to further investigate transportation improvements that may be eligible for Federal funding, leading to the implementation of these improvements.

What is the process for The Nassau Hub Study?

Transportation improvement projects seeking Federal funding must follow a standard process. An important early step in this planning process is the preparation of an Alternatives Analysis (AA). An AA is prepared to document existing and future transportation problems, evaluate a range of potential alternatives to address those problems, and select a preferred alternative for more detailed study. The AA will be completed in about one year, after which an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be prepared to identify the potential impacts of the preferred alternative on the human and natural environment.

Who can participate in The Nassau Hub Study?

Nassau County and the Federal Transit Administration are leading the Study. Two Study committees are being formed to work with the County. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) will provide regulatory, policy, operating, and design guidance during the AA/EIS process. The TAC will include representatives from Federal, State and local agencies, transit operators, County and municipal officials, as well as other agencies or organizations with technical expertise. The Stakeholder Committee will provide community feedback and serve as a liaison between the public and the Study team throughout the Study. Potential participants on the Stakeholder Committee include elected officials, business organizations, institutions and civic groups. Additionally, the Study Team wants to hear from the public and will provide multiple opportunities to review Study information, ask questions, and provide input and comments. This will be done through public meetings, smaller group meetings, an interactive web site and Study fact sheets and newsletters describing Study progress.

How do I get involved?

If you would like to get involved or have questions concerning the Study, please email us at nassauhub@jacobs.com. We want to hear from you! We are also in the process of establishing a project website. Once it is up and running it will become a central source for reviewing project materials, making comments and learning about upcoming meetings.





PRIMARY STUDY AREA MAP

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