Green Assets: Linking Active Living and Economic Development in Rockland County

Rockland County is an active-living paradise. Only 12 miles north–west of New York City, it offers a host of spectacular destinations for residents and visitors alike. Outdoor attractions include Bear Mountain State Park, Esposito Trail, the Hudson River Water Trail, and a string of picturesque villages along the Hudson River. It has become a destination spot for those who like to cycle, hike, antique, enjoy culinary delights, and small-town life.

The question is, how can Rockland’s business and civic community promote and enhance our region’s natural assets, while preserving our quality of life and creating another kind of green? The planning process for the Tappan Zee Bridge and I–287 corridor has helped to spur our communities to re–think the connection between transportation and economic development. Now is the time to develop that conversation beyond the bridge, and to create a new, balanced approach to developing our green infrastructure. After brief presentations, a moderated discussion and an optional tour of the “lid” park site will follow.

Jeff Olson, Principal, Alta Planning  
“Linking Active Transportation and Economic Development”

Jeff Anzevino, Director Of Land Use Advocacy, Scenic Hudson  
“Strengthening Connections to Green Assets & Waterfront Revitalization”

Jerry Ilowite, Chairman, Village of South Nyack Planning Board  
“The ‘Lid’ Park: Our New Green Asset”

Where: South Nyack Firehouse, 90 Depot Place
When: Thursday, May 26, 2:00 – 5:00
RSVP: AM Jaffee’s Office, 845–624–4601, jaffee@assembly.state.ny.us

Co–Sponsors: Ellen Jaffee, NYS Assemblymember, 95th District; Tri–State Transportation Campaign; Village of South Nyack; Scenic Hudson; Rockland Municipal Planning Federation, and Rockland Riverfront Communities Council. Planning and zoning board members will receive training hour credits.