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#### NIAGARA GORGE CORRIDOR

#### **Robert Moses Parkway Removal Project - Main Street to Findiay Drive**

#### March 16, 2016

#### Section 106 – Consulting Party Meeting 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM Sign-In Sheet

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Niagara Gorge Corridor Robert Moses Parkway Removal Project: Main Street to Findlay Drive Niagara Falls, NY

# Section 106 Consulting Party Meeting March 16, 2016

Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Welcome



# Agenda

- Purpose of the Meeting
- Project Background
- Section 106 Process Overview
- Effects Determination



## **Meeting Purpose**

- Section 106 National Historic Preservation Act
  - take into account the effects on historic properties
  - opportunity to comment on such undertakings

#### • The goal of consultation

- to identify historic properties & resources, potentially affected
- assess its effects
- seek ways to avoid, minimize or mitigate any adverse effects



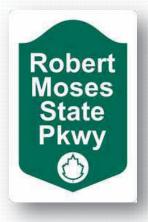
### Partner Agencies

- NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation (State Parks)
- USA Niagara Development Corporation (USA Niagara) Subsidiary of Empire State Development
- NYS Department of Transportation (DOT)
- City of Niagara Falls
- New York Power Authority



## **RMP Background/History**

- Completed in 1961/62 Part of NYS Parkway System – Limited Access Expressway for Automobiles (and some busses)
- RMP itself owned by State Parks
- Sits on Land owned by NYPA and State Parks
- Maintained under Agreement by DOT
- Sections of RMP are part of the National Highway System



Whirlpool State Park

1 Point

Robert Moses Parkway

DeVeaux Woods State Park

Findlay Drive

2000 Pilot Project RMP Near North Main Street Business District

Customs House/ Train Station Project

> North Main Street

### **RMP Background/History**

- 2006 Memorandum of Understanding (State Parks, NYSDOT, USAN/ESD, & City of Niagara Falls)
  Jointly solicit funding/plan for two segments:
  - Southern Segment "Riverway" Under Construction
  - Northern Segment Niagara Gorge Corridor Niagara Falls to Lewiston
    - Public Scoping (2013)
    - Preliminary Engineering/Env. Review for Phase I: Main Street to Findlay Drive (2014-16)



### Public Scoping (2013)

- Developed six (6) possible alternatives for road access along Niagara Gorge from downtown Niagara Falls to Lewiston
- Retained three (3) alternatives as feasible:
  - Alternative 3: Partial Re-Use of the Robert Moses Parkway
  - Alternative 4: Meandering Partial Park Road
  - Alternative 6 Full Removal of the RMP
- All retained alternatives had <u>similar approach</u> <u>from Main Street to Findlay Drive</u>



### Public Scoping (2013) - Phase I Project

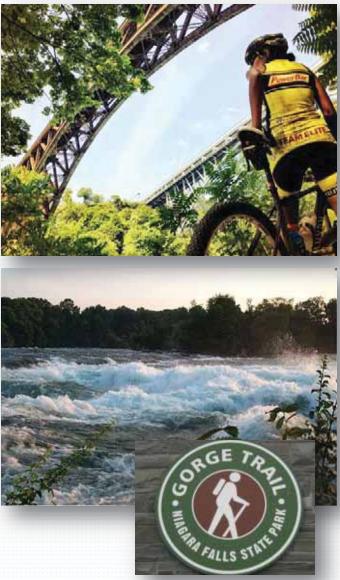
- Must have <u>logical termini</u>:
  - Rational end points for a transportation improvement
  - Rational end points for a review of the environmental impacts.
- Must have <u>independent utility</u> or independent significance
- <u>Cannot restrict alternatives</u> for future phases





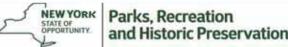
### Why Do it? Project Goals

- Improve Access and Transportation (Pedestrian, Bicycle, Vehicular)
- Promote and Conserve the Ecology and Environment of the Corridor (Help restore Niagara Gorge rim)
- Support Local Economic Vitality (Falls, Niagara Gorge, & City as one "Place")
- Minimize Impacts to Adjacent Neighborhoods (Connect neighborhoods to Gorge/River)
- Support *Niagara River Greenway Plan*

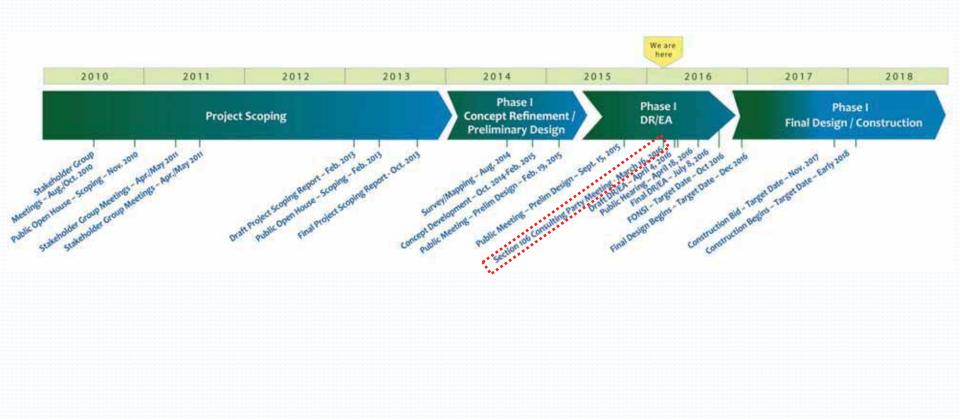


### **Overall Features of the Project**

- Demolition/removal of Parkway from Main Street to Findlay Drive
- Reconstruction of Whirlpool Street (with bicycle and pedestrian enhancements)
- New curbside overlooks, stairs and ramps to/from open space/parkland on the former RMP alignment
- New multimodal trail system tying into City
- Restoration on reclaimed pavement areas



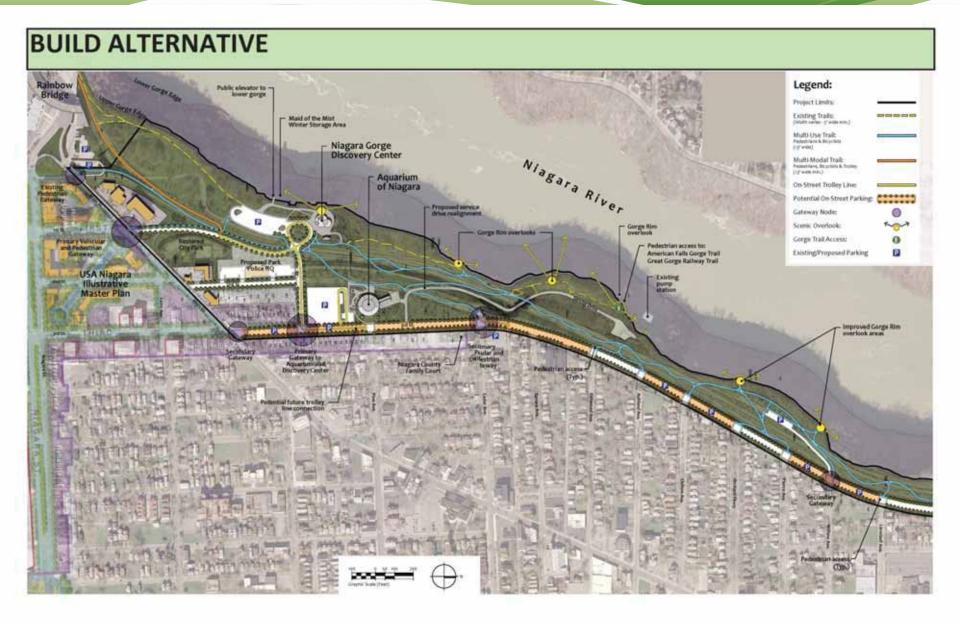
# Schedule





# **Build Alternative**







#### **BUILD ALTERNATIVE - (CONTINUED)**









#### QUESTIONS





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#### SECTION 106 PROCESS OVERVIEW

#### Andrew Brayman - NYSDOT



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