



HELP PLAN THE CITY'S WATERFRONT!

The Department of City Planning is currently preparing **Vision 2020: The NYC Comprehensive Waterfront Plan**, and we want your help. This plan will establish the city's long range vision for a 21st Century waterfront, identifying opportunities for improvement and the strategies needed to realize this new vision.

GET INVOLVED!

Public input will be critical throughout the year-long visioning process. A kick-off **citywide public meeting** to discuss the process and solicit feedback will be held on:

Date: APRIL 8, 2010
Time: 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Location: MURRY BERGTRAUH HIGH SCHOOL
411 PEARL STREET
MANHATTAN

We want to hear from you! Visit our website for plan updates, workshop announcements and to share your ideas and comments with us.

www.nyc.gov/waterfront

Recommendations for Vision 2020 are expected in the Fall, and a full report to be presented to the City Council and the public by end of 2010.

What is the Comprehensive Waterfront Plan?

The City's Comprehensive Waterfront Plan is a framework for the citywide reclamation of the waterfront, guiding land use decisions along New York City's shoreline.

Since the Department of City Planning published the City's first Comprehensive Waterfront Plan in 1992, a lot has changed: vacant lots have been replaced by lively new waterfront parks and esplanades, the city's zoning rules now mandate new waterfront development to create high quality public access, opening the waterfront to all New Yorkers for public enjoyment, critical natural habitats have been protected, and the maritime and ferry industries have expanded. The revitalization of the waterfront has been accompanied by significant improvements in water quality, offering new opportunities for swimming, fishing and boating.

Vision 2020 will build on the many accomplishments since the 1992 plan and consider the new challenges to our waterfront. Key themes to be addressed include:

- Expanding public access to the waterfront on public and private property.
- Enlivening the waterfront with high-quality public spaces and integrating it with upland communities.
- Supporting economic activity on the working waterfront.
- Restoring degraded natural waterfronts and protecting wetlands and shorefront habitats
- Enhancing the "blue network" by expanding waterborne transportation, in-water recreation, and water-oriented educational and cultural activities.
- Maintaining and improving the environmental quality of our water bodies.
- Pursuing strategies to improve waterfront sustainability, including resilience to climate change and projected sea-level rise.

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