

E-blast Newsletter No. 7

Bus Rapid Transit for the Capital District

Welcome to the newsletter for the Capital District Transportation Authority's NY5 Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project. This newsletter will keep you informed about CDTA's implementation plans for the new service, including opportunities to be involved and provide input.

Contract Awarded for Signs

Marshall Signs of Rensselaer has been awarded a contract for the manufacture and installation of BRT station signs – the first visible sign of things to come! This \$250,000 contract is a great example of how investment in transit keeps good jobs in the Capital Region. Look for the first installation in the West Mall area in the spring!

We've been busy!

- Winter months used to advance major portions of project design -- CDTA, NYSDOT, the City of Albany and the City of Schenectady have spent the winter months gearing up for a busy construction season in 2009. Not only will more road, sidewalk, and crosswalk work be completed, but contracts for shelters and other amenities will also be awarded and begin to make their appearance. CDTA, with the help of a team lead by Creighton Manning Engineering, has given a number of presentations to local planning and development boards, using photo simulations like those to the right to show what the future stations will look like.

Do you want to get busy too?

- Call for Artist Proposals! CDTA has partnered with the Central Avenue Business Improvement District to enliven the BRT stations with public art. Preliminary Proposals are due on Friday, April 10, 2009. More information about the project, including how to submit a proposal is available at www.transitart.org.



Be Involved and Stay Informed

If you would like more information about this project or have additional questions, please contact **Patrick Campbell** at CDTA 518-437-8370.

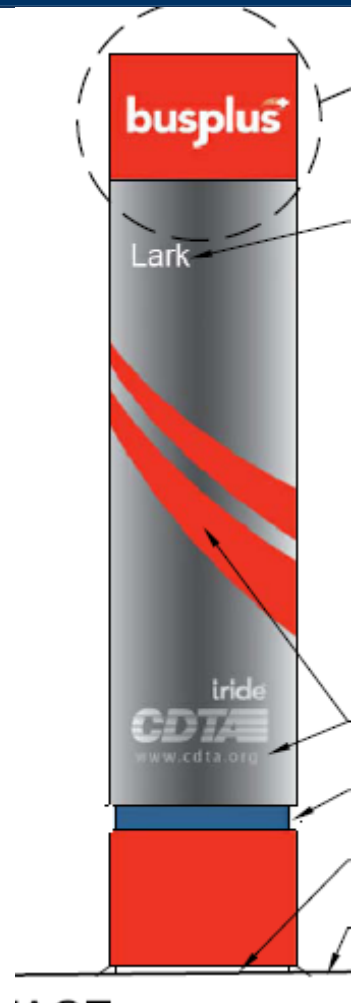


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