

E-blast Newsletter No. 9 – March 2010

Bus Rapid Transit for the Capital District

This is the newsletter for the Capital District Transportation Authority's NY5 Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project.

Construction Updates

- **Prototype Sign & Shelter Installed at West Mall**

-- Look for the first installations of **busplus⁺** signs and shelters at West Mall (both directions). With the acceptance of the prototype design, the order has been placed for the next round (13 more locations!) as site work is completed along the corridor.

- **Site work** - CDTA, NYSDOT, the City of Albany and the City of Schenectady have worked through the winter to ready ten more sites for upgraded shelters. West Mall, North Allen, and North Manning site work is complete, and NYSDOT has awarded a contract to Callanan Industries for additional corridor pavement and sidewalk work using Stimulus funding. Work begins in April 2010 on these seven sites.

- **Existing Station repainting** - Re-painting and refurbishing of the Liberty Park and Train station underpass in Schenectady, and Lark and Washington at the Armory will be re-bid this spring. For more information on this and all CDTA procurements check out http://www.cdta.org/about_doing_business.php.

Security Cameras – coming!

CDTA and the Schenectady County District Attorney's office are pleased to announce a partnership to increase the security of major bus stops in Schenectady (see map for locations). Together with improved lighting levels (see West Mall at night!), the installation of security cameras at key locations provide an additional measure of safety for our customers and the surrounding community alike.

What is that fancy garbage can?

With grant assistance from NYSERDA, the Central Avenue Business Improvement District and CDTA have installed solar-powered trash cans at high volume Albany bus stops. To see the C-BID Clean Team in action, check out the video at <http://204.12.48.111/wordpress/?p=55>. Thank you NYSERDA and C-BID!

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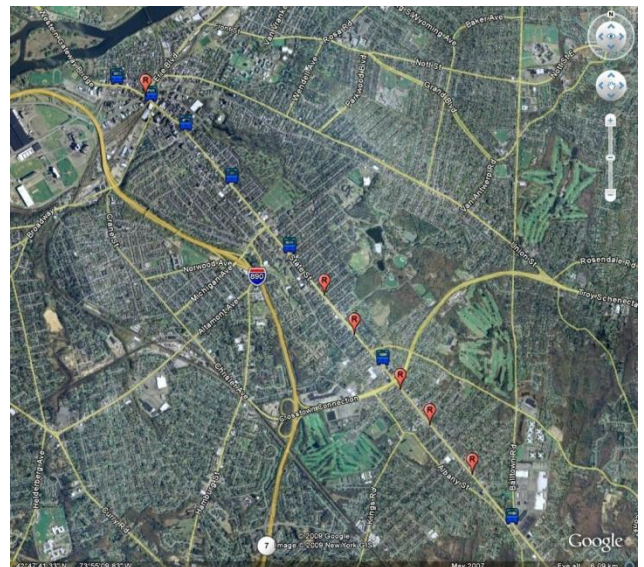
If you would like more information about this project or have additional questions, please contact **Kristina Younger** at CDTA 518-437-6852.



The prototype installation



West Mall at Night



Schenectady Security Camera Locations