

NIAGARA GORGE CORRIDOR ALTERNATIVE EVALUATION SHEET

DIRECTIONS

Please review the Alternative drawings presented today and tell us how well you think an alternative meets the project objectives described below. Each Alternative should be scored on a scale of 0 to 5 with 5 meaning the Alternative fully meets the objective and 0 meaning the Alternative fails to meet the objective in any way. Scores in each column should be added together to find the total score for a particular Alternative. The individual Alternative scores will be used in addition to written comments to evaluate and refine the Alternatives recommended for further study at the completion of the project scoping phase. At a minimum, please score at least one alternate.

<p>PROJECT GOAL (from Initial Project Proposal, June 2005) <i>Develop an appropriately scaled transportation network to link together existing and proposed roadways, attractions, overlooks, trails and cultural/historic sites in a more natural, park-like setting along the corridor while improving vehicle, pedestrian and bicycle access and safety features along the corridor.</i></p> <p>PROJECT OBJECTIVES:</p>	<p>ALTERNATIVE 1 Restoration of the Robert Moses Parkway (4 Lanes)</p>	<p>ALTERNATIVE 2 RMP Pilot Project Completed & Updated</p>	<p>ALTERNATIVE 3 Whirlpool Street with Continuous Park Road</p>	<p>ALTERNATIVE 4 Whirlpool Street with Segmented Park Road</p>	<p>ALTERNATIVE 5 Whirlpool Street with Divided Park Road</p>	<p>ALTERNATIVE 6 Full Removal of the Robert Moses Parkway</p>
<p>1. Improve Access and Transportation</p> <p>Objective includes providing a multi-modal trail connecting gorge area parks and attractions, providing a clear and convenient transportation network to improve safety and efficiency, and improved access to the gorge and community attractions.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Score Obj. 1:</p>						
<p>2. Promote and Conserve the Ecology & Environment of the NGC</p> <p>Reduce existing and previous environmental impacts by restoring and expanding the area needed to support a native plant based landscape. Provide additional access for enjoyment of the Niagara Gorge Corridor's (NGC) natural and scenic beauty. Create an environmental back drop for eco-tourism and heritage-tourism.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Score Obj. 2:</p>						
<p>3. Support Local Economic Vitality</p> <p>Make improvements that create an attractive scenic link between communities that will encourage visitors to migrate into local business districts and remain in the NGC region longer.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Score Obj. 3:</p>						
<p>4. Minimize Impacts to Adjacent Neighborhoods</p> <p>Objective promotes vehicle travel patterns that minimize impacts on residential areas and improves the area between park and residential properties by removing loop roads, adding intersections to spread out traffic and carefully selecting the routes leading into the NGC.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Score Obj. 4:</p>						
<p>5. Support NR Greenway Vision.</p> <p>Celebrate and interpret our unique natural, cultural, recreational, scenic and heritage resources in the NGC area and provide access to and connections between these important resources while giving rise to economic opportunities for the region.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Score Obj. 5:</p>						
<p>TOTAL SCORE BY ALTERNATIVE (maximum possible score = 25)</p>						