Next Steps

Notice of Intent
Formally announces project and initiates environmental review

Scoping Process
Establishes framework for environmental review

Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)
Documents potential social, economic, and environmental effects

Publication and Public Review of DEIS
Minimum 45-day public review period, including a public hearing

Final Environmental Impact Statement
Addresses public and agency comments on DEIS as well as any project refinements

Record of Decision
FHWA and NYSDOT decision document that officially identifies the preferred alternative and mitigation commitments. It ends the NEPA process and allows the project to enter final design and construction.

Final Design/Construction Phase

Preliminary DEIS

PRELIMINARY Draft Environmental Impact Statement
(to inform the public of the status of the project and solicit their input)

Public Participation Throughout