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Niagara River Greenway Plan Receives Prestigious Awards

The Niagara River Greenway Commission (NRGC) announced today that the Niagara River Greenway Plan has received recognition from organizations in the planning field.

The Western New York Chapter of American Planners Association awarded the Plan the 2007 “Outstanding Planning Project for a Comprehensive Plan,” while the New York Upstate Chapter of American Planners Association named it the 2007 “Outstanding Planning Project and Comprehensive Planning for a Regionally Based Plan.” Rounding out the accolades was the 2007 “Honor Award for Planning and Analysis” from the New York Upstate Chapter of American Society of Landscape Architects.

“To receive these awards from such prestigious organizations is a great honor and tribute to the many Western New Yorkers involved throughout the Niagara River Greenway Plan development process,” said Niagara River Greenway Chairman Robert J. Kresse. The Plan was developed over a period of one year with over 60 public meetings and hundreds of citizens giving input. The NRGC along with a team of consultants lead by Wendel-Duchscherer completed the Plan with unanimous approval from the municipalities that make up the Niagara River Greenway and by the legislative deadline required

“The development of the Plan has been a grassroots effort that goes back almost a decade and now we have an opportunity to develop a showcase for the future generations and millions of tourist that visit our region annually,” stated Commissioner Paul Dyster, chairman of the Citizens Advisory Committee.

To review the Final Niagara River Greenway Plan and GEIS or to learn more information about the Commission log onto www.niagaragreenway.org. The Niagara River Greenway Commission is a public benefit corporation established by Chapter 460 of the laws of 2004, and charged with the planning and development of a greenway of interconnected parks, river access points and waterfront trails along the Niagara River from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario at the site of the historic Fort Niagara.

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