



Cricket Valley Energy (CVE) kicked off its fourth set of Advisory Working Groups (AWG) with a discussion on Traffic and Safety on Thursday, March 10.

The Advisory Working Groups were established by CVE to discuss topics of interest related to its proposal for a combined-cycle power plant planned for an inactive industrial site in Dover, New York.

Fred Sellars, the lead environmental consultant for CVE, discussed with attendees the new information included in CVE's expanded Traffic Impact Study. The Study now includes two additional intersections along the Route 22 corridor in Dover and a passing lane at the temporary parking area. It also incorporates school bus schedules into the analysis. The Study considers:

- Traffic Counts
- Traffic Patterns
- Crash Analysis Data
- Future traffic projections including:
  - Traffic impact of 750 workers during peak construction
  - Benefit of shuttling workers from the CVE temporary parking area
  - Average annual increase in traffic of 1.5% (independent of the project)
  - Traffic from planned projects in the vicinity (including Knolls of Dover and Rasco Materials)

Based on an analysis of the data collected - the Study concluded:

- The key gateway intersections in the study area currently operate at acceptable levels of service.
- Once the plant is operational, all intersections in the study area will continue to function at acceptable levels of service, requiring no modifications.
- During peak construction, most of the intersections will function at acceptable levels of service and will require no modifications.
- Temporary improvements will be recommended at three intersections, during construction, to ensure that they operate at acceptable levels. Improvements include:
  - A temporary traffic signal or a traffic officer for peak hours at the CVE development area, CVE temporary parking site, and at Duncan Hill Road
  - A temporary 400-foot "passing lane" on Route 22 at the temporary parking site location

CVE will work with the Town of Dover and NYS DOT on all temporary improvements. In addition, CVE will coordinate worker arrival and departure times to avoid peak traffic periods and school bus schedules.

The Traffic Impact Study will be included in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

Upcoming AWG meeting:

***Water, Wetlands & Wildlife***

Thursday, March 24, 7-8 pm

Topics: CVE Wetlands Restoration Plan

CVE environmental consultants will discuss the recently submitted Wetlands Mitigation Plan designed to improve existing wetlands that have been damaged by historical industrial activities.

For more information about CVE's Advisory Working Groups, contact Matt Martin, Associate Project Manager at [info@cricketvalley.com](mailto:info@cricketvalley.com) or call 845-877-0596. No experience or specialized knowledge is needed, and you may attend one, two or all three Advisory Working Groups.

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