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Re: Tappan Zee Bridge Transit hearing was inaccessible by public transportation

Tuesday's 7:00 pm public hearing at White Plains High School (WPHS) was inaccessible without an automobile. Bee-Line bus service at WPHS virtually shuts down by 6:30 pm (making getting home from even the earlier 4:30 pm hearing "iffy").

After 6:30 pm, WPHS sees only a single bus, a bus running *away* from the Bee-Line's White Plains hub and connecting to no other bus route—its sole "connecting" Bee-Line route shutting down for the night even earlier.


By 8:00 pm (before the 7 pm hearing ended), WPHS has no transit service whatsoever.

Contrast that to Rockland Community College, site of Wednesday's hearing, where Transport of Rockland buses run past midnight.

Transit-dependent citizens are far more affected by this project's transit decisions than are drivers, but your hearing venue limited their participation.

Please ensure that sites chosen for any future Westchester events (hearings, meetings, or open houses) have transit service running late enough so people without cars can get home. Westchester County Center is one such location.

Sincerely yours,



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