

Route 4 Traffic in North Greenbush

For those of us who live on or near or travel Route 4 in North Greenbush, traffic on Route 4 has become a problem. Consider this: The town has approved a 102 twin townhouse (204 residences) development on the west side of Route 4, just north of the RPI Tech Park. If you assume two cars per residence, that's 408 cars. The Planning Board has recently approved 42 new parking spaces in the Tech Park with another 400 new spaces pending. All totaled, this is 850 more cars. And they are all going on to Route 4. Additional Route 4 problems: Motorists who do not obey the no left turn signs in DeFreestville. And the traffic congestion at the Williams Road/Glenmore Road and Route 4 intersection, just to name a few. With the Van Rensselaer Square Mall stores opening soon, traffic will only get worse on Route 4, Bloomingrove Drive and Route 43. There were plans to build an Alternative Route 4 connecting I-90 Exit 8 and Hudson Valley Community College but this road, which would have reduced traffic volume on Route 4, never materialized. Our organization is concerned about quality of life issues for town residents and the traffic concerns of local residents fall within this category. If you have concerns about traffic and development in North Greenbush, please contact us at Info@DANAInfo.org. DeFreestville Area Neighborhoods Association, Inc. Visit us at www.DANAInfo.org and on Facebook.