

# t-GEIS

## transportation-Focused Generic Environmental Impact Statement

### What Is The Resource Committee?

The Resource Committee consists of individuals with technical expertise in transportation or transportation planning. The committee has representatives from the City of Ithaca, Town of Ithaca, Town of Dryden, Town of Lansing, Village of Cayuga Heights, Village of Lansing, Tompkins County, Cornell University and their consultants, NYSDOT, the Ithaca-Tompkins County Transportation Council (ITCTC), and TCAT. The Resource Committee is charged with providing technical assistance and guidance to the t-GEIS project team in the development of the t-GEIS Transportation Study, and serving as a communications and feedback link between the t-GEIS project team and the Committee members' respective municipalities or agencies.

### Will The t-GEIS Address Student Parking On Campus?

The t-GEIS will look at the pros and cons of a wide range of transportation-related issues and potential mitigations, and on-campus parking is a part of that mix. Other topics that will likely be addressed are current and potential parking inventories, alternative forms of transportation (walking, biking, etc.), and transportation demand management programs (carpooling, park-and ride, transit use, etc.).

### Will the t-GEIS Give Blanket Approvals to Cornell Projects in the Foreseeable Future?

No. Individual project approvals will continue to occur in the usual manner. The t-GEIS will not be an approval, but rather an assessment of the anticipated cumulative transportation-related impacts of hypothetical Cornell population growth. This will allow the Town of Ithaca, the City of Ithaca and other involved agencies to review individual projects in a larger context and to plan proactively.

### How Will This Initiative Affect Surrounding Communities?

The t-GEIS will evaluate transportation-related impacts of campus population growth on a regional basis and will provide useful insights to surrounding communities. Background population growth of the surrounding communities as it pertains to transportation impacts will also be included in the study.