

## **SCHENECTADY COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

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The Schenectady County Environmental Advisory Council (SCEAC) was established by Local Law No. 5-1971, which was enacted by the County Legislature in 1971 under Article 47 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law. The purpose of the Council is to solicit the expertise of the community in order to preserve and improve the quality of natural and man-made environments within Schenectady County. It is also intended that the Council will facilitate cooperation between various governmental agencies, as well as between County Government, private institutions and the public, in addressing environmental issues. Actions of the Council include:

- Advise the County Legislature
- Study environmental issues
- Inform the public and hold hearings
- Promote coordination and liaison with other agencies
- Prepare an Annual Report and State of the Environment Report

Ongoing SCEAC activities related to these actions will be presented, including copies of the State of the Environment Report (2010 update) and 2010 Annual Report.