



Connecting Our Communities

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How can I comment about freight movement trouble spots in York County?

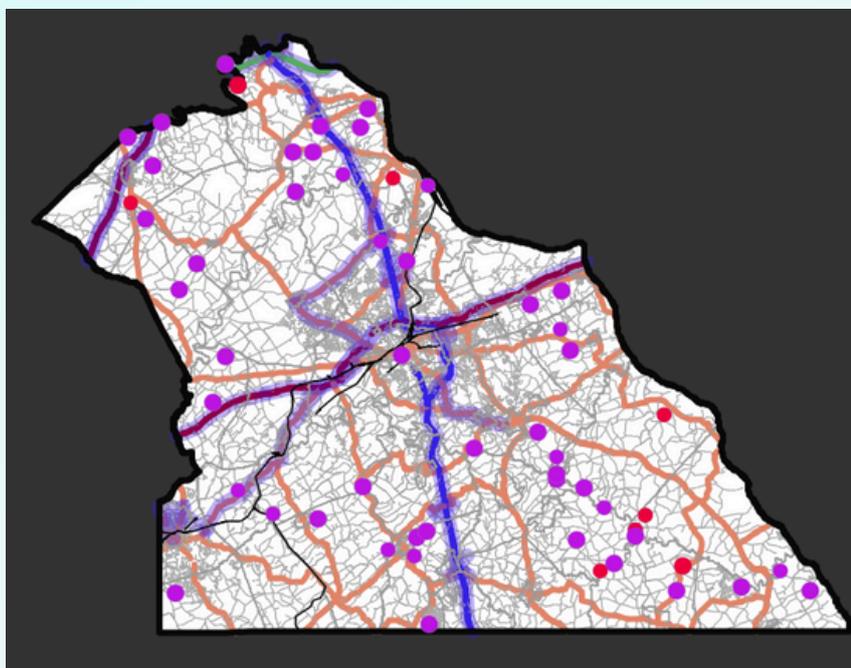
The York County Planning Commission (YCPC) provides an opportunity to provide comments regarding this issue on its website. The purpose of the this tool is to collect issues and problems associated with freight movement in the county, and document them. Municipalities, as well as the public, can report issues by marking locations on the map provided and can see issues reported by others. The YCPC and York Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (YAMPO) staff will review the map at least once every quarter. Locations will be prioritized and projects will be programmed in accordance to the YAMPO project selection criteria.

This freight network comment application can be found on the YCPC website at [www.ycpc.org](http://www.ycpc.org).

Go the Community Planning Menu, choose Transportation, then on the left hand side find where it says “Freight Planning.” There is a dropdown box, and the Freight Network Comment Application is the last one shown.

Instructions to submit a comment:

- 1) Click “Select” and click any existing issue to open the report.
- 2) Edit the text to add or clarify information.
- 3) Click “Create” to save your edit.
- 4) Once you click “Create”, your information will be categorized but will not remain on the screen. Afterwards, you can create a new point as many times as you want.



# Proposed Ordinance/ Plan/Map Amendments

## LGAC/YCPC ACTIONS

## Recommended Actions Staff LGAC YCPC

Proposed Ordinance/ Plan/Map Amendments	Staff	LGAC	YCPC
<u>YCPC Project #25-019</u> - Codorus Township Zoning Ordinance Amendment Text: Sawmills	Adopt	Adopt	Adopt
<u>YCPC Project #25-020</u> - West Manchester Township 2035 Comprehensive Plan Update	Adopt	Adopt	Adopt
<u>YCPC Project #25-021</u> - Windsor Township Zoning Ordinance Amendment Text: Maximum Lot Coverage, Accessory Structures	Adopt	Adopt	Adopt
<u>YCPC Project #25-022</u> - Fawn Township SALDO Amendment Text: Required Supplemental Data	Adopt	Adopt	Adopt
<u>YCPC Project #25-023</u> - Fairview Township Zoning Ordinance Amendment Text: Data Center	Adopt	Not Adopt	Adopt
<u>YCPC Project #25-024</u> - Hellam Township Zoning Ordinance Amendment Text: TDRs - Receiving Areas	Adopt	Adopt	Adopt

## Procedure for Ordinance Amendment Submittals to the YCPC



- The submittal is accompanied by a signed letter from a municipal official requesting the review to be performed;
- The submittal is made to Wade Gobrecht, Director of the YCPC;
- The submittal letter explicitly states the intended purpose of the proposed amendment to be made;
- The sections of the proposed amendment are correct and aligned with existing ordinance section numbers;
- Pertinent materials such as maps, aerial photographs, and/or relevant existing ordinance language accompany the request;

***As required by the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, the municipality is reminded that a certified copy of any adopted amendments must be forwarded to the YCPC within 30 days of adoption.***

When submitting proposed amendments to municipal subdivision/land development or zoning ordinances, the YCPC requests that the following are addressed:

## York County Open Space and Land Protection Grant Program

Accepting applications 7/1-9/30



On July 1, 2025, York County Open Space and Land Preservation Grant Program will begin accepting applications for land acquisition, planning and improvements (Marcellus Shale Legacy Funds). York County municipalities and non-profits may apply.



Since 2020, 1,196 acres of land has been protected in part from York County Open Space grant funds for land **acquisition**. Projects range from less than one acre (Krebs Park expansion - Glen Rock Borough) to 370 acres (portion of Camp Tuckahoe property in York County).



Grant funds have been awarded to 12 **planning** projects, including master site plans, feasibility studies and comprehensive plan updates.



In the 2022, **improvements** grants (Marcellus Shale Legacy Funds) are also managed through the OS Grant Program. To date, 37 improvement projects all around York County have been supported through these funds.

*For more information*

**WWW.YORKOPENSOURCE.ORG**

- Learn about York County's commitment to protect open space to strengthen the quality of life for York County residents
- Review grant program guidelines
- Request a grant application
- Register for the virtual Grants Workshop to be held on 8/7 at 1:30 PM

# Municipal Spotlight West York Borough



Welcome to West York Borough, the urban home of 5,094 residents per the 2020 census. West York Borough is between York City to the east and West Manchester Township to the west and is approximately .53 square miles. West York Borough incorporated in 1904, is the most densely populated municipality in York County. West York has a rich history of being an industrial town in the early 1900s. Unfortunately, like many urban centers, the borough has lost its industrial base and survived the drain on revenue due to their demise. West York remains a wonderful bedroom community with opportunities for commercial and industrial businesses. The borough employees roughly 2.63k people and one year employment growth is 2.61%

West York Borough is an amazingly diverse community, too. The borough is home to a growing Hispanic community which now makes up approximately 24.7% of the borough's population, as of 2023. West York's businesses are growing more diverse as well. Our mission is to foster a growing and safe place everyone can be proud to call home or do business.

The borough, due to the implosion of its industrial businesses decades ago, was left with a rundown mess of underutilized industrial real estate. We had many old vacant and dilapidated industrial buildings. A true eyesore that attracted the worst activity was known as the "Big Ugly Warehouse", also known as the old PA Furniture Complex of Sumner Street. That complex saw private investment to raise the building and build a new climate-controlled storage facility, StorSpace. Today, we have put many of those underutilized or dilapidated buildings out to pasture or they have been repurposed for both industrial/commercial use and new affordable residential hubs.

One of the best stories is the "Bakery Complex" on King Street at the old Fishel's Bakery Building. The project was selected by DCED as one of ten projects in 2024 to receive the Business in Our Sites Loan and Grant. This project brings a mixed use of food, fun, and other entertainment. It will be a destination point for many residents and folks across the county. Look for the Bakery to open later this year. Another private project was the transformation of the commercial building at 1245 West Princess Street, which is now an upscale residential hub which is now available for lease.

Much like the decay in our industrial sector, we saw this for much of the borough's commercial district, as well. We lost our only grocery store in 2016 leaving a food desert for many families. Today, West York is making strides to clean up its commercial district too, and has seen private investment such as the redevelopment at 1200 West Market Street and the addition of Bravo Supermarkets. Bravo has decided to expand its operations in West York in 2025. West York is open for business and looks to build on its revival by making the West Market Street Commercial District the next hot spot for food and retail business, creating a friendly walkable downtown. Our goal is to be the next Main Street Matters participant.

West York Borough operates as a full-service borough, a rarity in our geography. We operate with our own police department, combination fire department, and public works department. Our administrative offices are located at 1381 West Poplar Street. Stop by and say hello. Learn more about what we do and what's happening at

[westyorkpa.gov](http://westyorkpa.gov).

