

## **VI. PROJECT COORDINATION**

This project is a cooperative effort of the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP), New York City Department of Parks and Recreation (NYCDPR), New York City Department of Transportation (NYCDOT), and the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA).

NYSDOT is the lead agency and major contributor to project funding, with the following agency contributions:

- Work on New York City Streets will be paid for by NYCDOT as a fiscal share of the NYSDOT Proposed Project,
- NYCDPR is constructing or reimbursing NYSDOT for construction of proposed restroom and boathouse facilities within Starlight Park and accepting maintenance responsibility for the Greenway and Park facilities upon completion of the work,
- NYCDEP is defining a future project to mitigate pollution from a sewer outfall within the project limits, and
- NYSDOT, NYCDOT, NYCDPR, NYCDEP and MTA are participating in a “Land Swap” to provide land required for improvements affecting several projects.

Interagency coordination with New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), and the United States Coast Guard (USCG) has been conducted through progress meetings discussing the jurisdiction of each agency and the permits required to complete the Proposed Project. There have also been regular meetings with NYCDOT and NYCDEP to coordinate each agency’s role in the construction of the Proposed Project and how other projects in the area will impact the design and staging of the Bronx River Greenway.

Public outreach has been a continuous effort with NYSDOT holding meetings with civic organizations, community boards, and local residents since 1998. In addition, the Department has been working with the Bronx River Alliance to refine the project design and in developing contract document requirements that will protect the park, the river, and the surrounding community throughout construction.