

Roundabouts

As previously discussed in the treatment of the Western Avenue/UAlbany intersection, a *roundabout* is a form of intersection design accommodating one-directional traffic flow around a central island. Their visual impacts on the driving landscape and on the setting itself make them among the concepts frequently considered as gateway treatments. In the Capital District, there are a number of locations at which they are being developed or considered, with perhaps the most relevant nearby example being at the intersection of Routes 85A and 155 in Voorheesville. It would be prudent to examine the post-construction operations of that roundabout and others in settings comparable to the McKownville corridor to develop a sense of whether they hold the potential for future application to local gateway locations such as Western/UAlbany or (perhaps) one of the Fuller/UAlbany intersections.