The Steven L. Newman Real Estate Institute
Partners with the New York City OASIS Community Mapping Resource

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The Steven L. Newman Real Estate Institute at Baruch College, the City University of New York, is now a partner with NYC OASIS, an important resource with highly interactive maps and detailed information about individual properties in the New York City area.

NYC OASIS was created and is managed by the CUNY Mapping Service at the Center for Urban Research, within the CUNY Graduate Center. The resource has been extremely well received. It is guided by a collaborative partnership of just under 60 greening groups, educators, individuals, businesses, nonprofits and public agencies. Included in this consortium are the USDA Forest Service, the Comprehensive Restoration Plan for the New York – New Jersey Estuary, the Mannahatta Project of the Wildlife Conservation Society, the Living Memorials Project, the Neighborhood Tree Survey, NYC Natural Areas project and Open Road of New York, to name a few.

“Partnering with NYC OASIS is a strategic move which will serve our greater community very well,” said Jack S. Nyman, Director of the Steven L. Newman Real Estate Institute. “We can make our colleagues aware of the resource’s capabilities, and we can provide the CUNY Mapping Service with information about how our collaborators use the tool and most significantly what new features might be added to further empower the tool. This will help ensure that OASIS evolves in such a way that it is well aligned with current needs for years to come.” Given Mr. Nyman’s great interest in the Institute’s collaboration with NYC OASIS, the “NYC OASIS Mapping Resource” link is appropriately found under the “Director’s Corner” of the Institute’s web site.

OASIS is a tool that continually evolves. Most recently, enhancements include new aerial imagery, as well as improved ways to view the aerial imagery over time. Also featured are land use changes in lower Manhattan. For example, historical land use maps for 2003 through 2010 help highlight how commercial properties have been converted to residential. A plethora of community data is now included, as well.

In addition to maps, OASIS includes aerial photographs from 1996 through 2010, transit resources, waterfront access locations, recreational sites, wetlands and land use patterns. Detailed information about zoning, historical land use and districting for each of New York City’s 900,000 tax parcels is also available. Collectively, the resource is invaluable to professional planners, as well as educational organizations, block associations, students and the City’s agency staff.