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Paul Beyer is the State Director of Smart Growth Planning at the NYS Department of State. In this position, Paul promotes the principles of Smart Growth, sustainable development, Livable Communities and collaborative governance on the state, regional and local levels.

Paul's experience in land use and Smart Growth began when he worked in the New York State Legislature, where he focused on land use, environmental and public health policy. Paul served on the Planning Board in the Town of Amherst, NY for five years, where he helped develop the town's Comprehensive Plan. He also served on the Board of Directors of Partners for a Livable Western New York, the premier Smart Growth advocacy group in the Western New York region. Paul has a law degree from the University at Buffalo.