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TOWN OF WHITMAN - REPRESENTING ABINGTON, BRIDGEWATER, DUXBURY, EASTON, PEMBROKE, STOUGHTON, AND WHITMAN

**BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY (BAT)** 

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MASSDOT)

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MASSDOT) HIGHWAY DIVISION

**OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL (OCPC)** 

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OLD COLONY JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (JTC)

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION (FHWA) MASSACHUSETTS DIVISION

FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) REGION 1

#### NOTICE OF VIRTUAL MEETING

Tuesday, December 20, 2022, 10:00 A.M.

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#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order, Accessibility Statement, Title VI Notice of Protection, and Introductions
- 2. Public Comments
- 3. Minutes of November 15, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting
- 4. Brockton Area Transit (BAT) Report
- 5. MassDOT District 5 Updates on Projects Under Design or Construction
- 6. FFY 2023-2027 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Adjustments and/ or Amendments
  - Adjustment 1 Review and Potential Approval
- 7. Draft Old Colony Title VI Reports
  - 2022 Old Colony Title VI Annual Report Review and Potential Approval
  - 2022 Old Colony Title VI Triennial Report Review and Potential Approval
- 8. Development of the 2050 Old Colony Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update and Status Report
- Administrative Matters, Other Business, and Date and Time of Next Meeting(s)
- 10. Adjournment

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The public discussion of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) at Old Colony JTC, Old Colony MPO, and transportation meetings satisfies the Program of Projects (POP) public hearing requirements of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

December 20, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting
Agenda Item 1
Call to Order, Accessibility Statement and
Title VI Nondiscrimination Statement, and Introductions

# **Summary**

Call to Order, Accessibility Statement and Title VI Nondiscrimination Statement, Roll Call, and Introductions

#### **Accessibility Statement and Title VI Nondiscrimination Statement**

"This meeting is accessible to people with disabilities. Microphones or telephones will be used by all speakers. If you would like these accommodations, please contact Mary Waldron at 508-583-1833. Thank you."

"The Notice of Nondiscrimination Rights and Protections to Beneficiaries with regard to the Federal Title VI/Nondiscrimination Protections and the State Nondiscrimination Protections is included on this meeting's agenda and is available on the Old Colony Planning Council Website at <a href="https://oldcolonyplanning.org/">https://oldcolonyplanning.org/</a>. Please contact Mary Waldron at 508-583-1833 for more information. Thank you."

December 20, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting
Agenda Item 2
Public Comments

# **Summary**

Public comments.

Minutes of the Old Colony MPO Virtual Meeting, November 15, 2022 - 10:00 A.M., Held Via Zoom

#### **Signatories Present:**

Joseph Degrace, Representing Mayor Robert Sullivan, Brockton
Lee Hartmann, Representing Betty Cavacco, Chair, Select Board, Plymouth
Meredith Anderson, Clerk, Board of Selectmen, West Bridgewater
Dan Salvucci, Vice-Chair, Board of Selectmen, Whitman
Stephen Woelfel, Representing Jamey Tesler, Secretary and CEO, MassDOT
Pam Haznar, Representing Jonathan Gulliver, Administrator, MassDOT Highway Division
Michael Lambert, Administrator, Brockton Area Transit (BAT)
Mary Waldron, Representing Valerie Massard, President, Old Colony Planning Council (OCPC)

#### **Others Present:**

Bruce Hughes, Abington Christopher Ryan, Duxbury William Chenard, Pembroke Kelly Forrester, Brockton Area Transit Benny Hung, Environmental Partners Andrew Reovan, Federal Highway Administration Maggie Burke, MA Safe Routes to School Bonnie Roalsen, MA Safe Routes to School Michelle Ho, MassDOT Raissah Kouame, MassDOT Derek Krevat, MassDOT Alan Andrade, MassDOT District 5 Shawn Bailey, OCPC Ray Guarino, OCPC Charles Kilmer, OCPC Guogiang Li, OCPC Bill McNulty, OCPC Kyle Mowatt, OCPC

#### 1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chairman Stephen Woelfel called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. Charles Kilmer then read the meeting accessibility statement, and the Title VI Notice of Protection Statement. Charles Kilmer then conducted the roll and announced there was a quorum present.

#### 2. Public Comments

Charles Kilmer congratulated Meredith Anderson of the West Bridgewater Board of Selectmen on her re-election to the Old Colony MPO as a Local Signatory. This will be a two year term which began on November 1, 2022.

#### 3. Minutes of the July 19, 2022 Meeting

Chairperson Woelfel asked the MPO Members for comments or changes regarding the minutes of the July 19, 2022 meeting.

Daniel Salvucci made a motion and Meri Anderson seconded to endorse the minutes of the July 19, 2022 meeting.

There being no changes, the Old Colony MPO then voted unanimously via roll call to endorse the minutes of the July 19, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting.

#### 4. Brockton Area Transit (BAT) Report

Michael Lambert reported on the following:

- Ridership is approaching 70% of pre-Covid Ridership
- There are now more customers than ever utilizing BAT's mobile ticketing platform
- BAT's Stoughton service continues to set records for both pre and post covid in terms of ridership
- BAT received approval from Apple for their Rockland Micro-Transit App. This will be launching in the next couple of weeks
- BAT and other 15 RTAs will be offering free service from the day after Thanksgiving through New Year's Eve. This is designed to promote local shopping, and to attract new customers

#### 5. MassDOT District 5 Updates on Projects Under Design or Construction

Pam Haznar provided an update on projects under design or construction. They are as follows:

#### **FFY 2023**

# STOUGHTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WORK AT CENTRAL STREET, CANTON STREET AND TOSCA DRIVE

At 100% Design; Expecting PS&E later during the Winter

#### **STOUGHTON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138**

At 100% Design; Expecting the PS&E in the Spring

# DUXBURY - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, D-14-010 (48H & 48J), ROUTE 3 (PILGRIM HIGHWAY) NB/SB OVER FRANKLIN STREET

At 25% Design

#### **FFY 2024**

# BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT CENTRE STREET (ROUTE 123) AND PLYMOUTH STREET

At 25% Design

Expecting 75% next summer

# PLYMPTON - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, P-14-001 (445), WINNETUXET ROAD OVER WINNETUXET RIVER

At 25% Design

# BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WORK AT CENTRE STREET (ROUTE 123), CARY STREET AND LYMAN STREET

■ 75% submission is due in December

#### **FFY 2025**

# BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT LYMAN STREET/GROVE STREET/SUMMER STREET & REPLACEMENT OF GROVE STREET BRIDGE, B-25-005, OVER SALISBURY PLAIN RIVER

At 25% Design; Received the Bridge Type Study and provided review comments in November

# EASTON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138 INCLUDING INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 138 (WASHINGTON STREET) AND ELM STREET

75% Design Plans under review

# NORWELL, PEMBROKE - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, N-24-004 P-05-008, ROUTE 3 (NB & SB) OVER NORTH RIVER

Waiting for 25% Design

#### **FFY 2026**

#### ABINGTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT HANCOCK STREET AND CHESTNUT STREET

At 25% Design; Next step is utility site walk

# AVON – INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 28, SPRING STREET AND HARRISON BOULEVARD

Expecting 25% Design in late Winter

#### DUXBURY - SIGNAL INSTALLATION @ ROUTE 3 (NB & SB) RAMPS & ROUTE 3A (TREMONT STREET)

Waiting for 25% Design

# HANSON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 14 (MAQUAN STREET), FROM THE PEMBROKE T.L. TO INDIAN HEAD STREET AND RELATED WORK

 Delayed for a while; Old water main under road not owned by Town of Hanson, but the as it is the Abington-Rockland Water District. There are concerns that the construction could impact the water main. Been discussing with the Town to have more information on the water main (Sub-Surface Utility Exploration)

Dan Salvucci commented that the water main needs to be replaced. The Town needs to reach out to whoever owns the water main and get it taken care of. Pam Haznar stated that it is complicated

because the Town does not own the water main. Dan Salvucci asked that if the construction is complete and the road needs to get dug up who pays for the road. Pam Haznar stated that the owner of the water main would be responsible.

#### **FFY 2027**

# BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS @ CRESCENT STREET (ROUTE 27)/QUINCY STREET/MASSASOIT BOULEVARD

No Update

#### DUXBURY - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, D-14-003 (438), POWDER POINT AVENUE OVER DUXBURY BAY

- Major Bridge Replacement
- Met with town and OCPC. Starting preliminary design
- In early stages

#### **UNPROGRAMMED**

#### KINGSTON - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, K-01-014, SMITHS LANE OVER ROUTE 3 (PILGRIM HIGHWAY)

- Working towards 25% Design
- 6. FFY 2023-2027 Transportation Improvements Program (TIP) Amendments and/ or Adjustments

William McNulty stated that there are no action items at this time.

- 7. Performance Based Planning and BAT Transit Asset Management (TAM) Fiscal Year 2023 Transit State of Good Repair Targets
  - Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Adoption of the Proposed Set of Federally Required
     Performance Targets Pertaining to Transit State of Good Repair

Kelly Forrester presented the Fiscal Year 2023 Transit State of Good Repair Targets. They are as follows:

- Buses X% of feet exceeds default ULB of 14 Performance Target for FY23 3%
- Cutaway Buses X% of Fleet exceeds default ULB of 10 Performance Target for FY23 25%
- Vans X% of fleet exceeds default ULB of 8 Performance Target for FY23 14%
- Non-Revenue Service Automobile X% of non-revenue service vehicles exceeds default ULB of 8 - Performance Target for FY23 - 40%
- Non-Revenue Service Truck X% of non-revenue service vehicles exceeds default ULB of 8 -Performance Target for FY23 - 40%
- Admin/Maintenance Facility X% of facilities rated under 3.0 on TERM scale Performance Target for FY23 - 0%

Chairperson Stephen Woelfel asked if there is a motion to adopt and approve the FY23 Transit State of Good Repair Performance Targets.

Daniel Salvucci made a motion and Meredith Anderson seconded to adopt and approve the FY23 Transit State of Good Repair Performance Targets.

The Old Colony MPO then voted unanimously via roll call to adopt and approve the FY23 Transit State of Good Repair Performance Targets.

#### 8. Development of the 2022 Old Colony Title VI Reports

Review of Draft Reports and Potential Approval

Shawn Bailey discussed and provided a presentation on the current status of the 2022 Old Colony Title VI Reports.

Shawn Bailey reported that as sub-recipients of federal financial assistance through MassDOT, OCPC and the Old Cony MPO are responsible for all civil rights compliance.

- LEP/LAP Plan Completed
- Draft Title VI Triennial Plan completed
  - Review period
  - Seek endorsement at December MPO Meeting
- Annual Title VI Report in Progress
  - Will be completed by deadline
  - Seek endorsement at December MPO Meeting

# 9. Development of the 2050 Old Colony Long Rage Transportation Plan (LRTP) – Update and Status Report

Bill McNulty provided an update and status report on the 2050 Old Colony LRTP.

Old Colony Planning Council is currently developing the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization's 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan. Staff are currently finalizing a public survey, while collaborating with planning partners and stakeholders, and Old Colony Planning Council is embarking on its public outreach process for this Plan development.

#### Socioeconomic Projections and Travel Demand Model Update

Staff have been actively participating in a Socioeconomic Data Projections Committee, which is comprised of MPO's and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation. The University of Massachusetts' Donahue Institute has been contracted to work with the Committee in developing population and economic projections through 2050. These projections are important as they help guide planning and investment in the future, but they also are a critical component of the travel demand model, which is also being updated for the LRTP.

#### Goals of the Old Colony 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan

The Goals of the Old Colony 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan are stated as such:

- Safety: A safe transportation system that minimizes risk of serious injury to motorized and vulnerable users of the system and helps the Region and Commonwealth move towards its Vision Zero goals
- Transparency and Equity: An open and inclusive planning process that ensures representation and access to all persons
- Economic Vitality: A transportation network that fosters and supports a robust and diverse economy in the Old Colony Region
- **Security**: A transportation system that maintains security for physical infrastructure and the users of the system.
- Accessibility: A transportation system that ensures access and mobility for all motorized and vulnerable system users
- A Clean Environment: A transportation system that is not only protected but enhanced through energy conservation and smart, green practices
- Resiliency: A transportation system that is sustainable and resilient
- State of Good Repair: A planning process that prioritizes maintenance and keeping physical infrastructure in a state of good repair
- **Efficiency**: A transportation system that minimizes financial and environmental costs associated with congestion and delay

#### **Planning Scenarios**

During development of the Beyond Mobility: the statewide Massachusetts 2050 Transportation Plan, it was identified how these recent trends have already had a substantial impact on how people live, work, and travel in the Commonwealth, and how these trends could continue to affect the state through 2050.

- Climate Change
- The Future of Work
- Population Tends
- Housing and Economy
- Prosperity
- Technology

The Old Colony Long Range Transportation Plan will present how these factors have affected the region, and how acceleration, maintenance of the status quo, or a reversal of trends through 2050 could affect the region.

#### **Development Schedule**

The following is the planned development schedule for the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan.

#### **Key Dates:**

- Completed Draft: April 2023
- Release to Public Comment Period: May 16, 2023
  - o Plan Presented to Old Colony Planning Council: May 31, 2023
  - o Plan Presented to JTC: June 1, 2023
- Old Colony MPO Endorsement: June 20, 2023

#### **Public Engagement Plan**

- Public Survey
- Mobility and Justice Focus Groups (Coordination with MassDOT)
- Identify and engage stakeholders, community organizations, LEP, Traditionally Underserved, and Environmental Justice Populations, and environmental groups
- Report to Joint Transportation Committee and Metropolitan Planning Organization monthly (or as often as they convene)
- Virtual Webinars
- Old Colony Planning Council Open House
- Table Events at Brockton Area Transit
- Dedicated Plan Page on oldcolonyplanning.org website
- Traditional and Social Media Outreach

#### **Public Survey**

As part of the public engagement component of the 2050 Old Colony Long Range Transportation Plan development, Old Colony Planning Council will be conducting a survey for transportation and environmental stakeholders and residents in the Old Colony region. The survey is being in conjunction with the concurrent Beyond Mobility survey as part of the Statewide Long Range Transportation Plan update. The questions mirror those in the statewide survey while adding questions to reflect local priorities. The results of the survey will guide us in the Plan development with a better understanding of the reimportation priorities of the public.

#### 10. Administrative Matters, Other Business, and Date and Time of Next Meeting(s)

Charles Kilmer reported on a few items:

#### "Try Transit"

Brockton Mayor Robert F. Sullivan and Brockton Area Transit (BAT) Administrator Michael Lambert recently announced that from November 25th through December 31st BAT's bus and paratransit services would be free thanks, in part, to a grant included in the state budget and awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation. The program is designed to encourage new customers to "Try Transit" by offering no cost trips to shop or dine at local businesses, visit with friends and family, and commute to work during the holiday season.

#### FHWA publishes Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment Guidance

Secretary Buttigieg recently announced that the Federal Highway Administration published the Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment guidance. The Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment is a new requirement in the Highway Safety Improvement Program under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. All States are required to develop a Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment by November 15, 2023. The Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment includes a quantitative analysis of vulnerable road user fatalities and serious injuries to identify areas as "high-risk" to vulnerable road users. The States will consult with local governments that represent the high-risk areas to identify a program of projects or strategies to reduce safety risks to vulnerable road users in these areas.

Bourne - Cape Cod Canal Bridges Program Virtual Public Information Meetings – November 15 and 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

#### Thriving Communities Program (TCP) Notice of Funding Opportunity

Funded with \$25 million through the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2022, the U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) new Thriving Communities Program (TCP) aims to ensure that disadvantaged communities adversely or disproportionately affected by environmental, climate, and human health policy outcomes have the technical tools and organizational capacity to compete for federal aid and deliver quality infrastructure projects that enable their communities and neighborhoods to thrive.

#### Date and Time of Next Old Colony MPO Virtual Meeting(s)

Charles Kilmer asked that the Old Colony MPO members confirm the dates and times of their next virtual meetings. The dates are:

#### 2022

December 20, 2022 at 10 AM

#### **2023**

- January 17, 2023 at 10 AM
- February 21, 2023 at 10 AM
- March 21, 2023 at 10 AM
- April 18, 2023 at 10 AM
- May 16, 2023 at 10 AM
- June 20, 2023 at 10 AM
- July 18, 2023 at 10 AM

Mary Waldron announced that OCPC is having their Annual OCPC Summit on December 8 and everyone in attendance here is invited. TransitMatters is holding an event at Brockton Beer Company next week to talk about advocacy for transit.

#### 11. Adjournment

Chairman Woelfel adjourned the meeting at 11:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

# Kyle Mowatt

Kyle Mowatt, Senior Transportation Planner

#### List of Documents for the November 15, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting

- Minutes of July 19, 2022, Old Colony MPO Meeting
- Staff Report for November 15, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting Agenda Items

- Old Colony Title VI Presentations
- 2050 Old Colony LRTP Presentation

December 20, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting Agenda Item 3 Minutes of November 15, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting

# **Summary**

The Old Colony MPO is respectfully asked to consider approval of the November 15, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting Minutes.

December 20, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting Agenda Item 4 Brockton Area Transit Authority (BAT) Report

# **Summary**

Brockton Area Transit to provide report.

December 20, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting
Agenda Item 5
MassDOT District 5 Updates on Projects
Under Design or Construction

# **Summary**

MassDOT District 5 to provide updates.

December 20, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting Agenda Item 6

FFY 2023-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Amendments and/ or Adjustments

Adjustment 1 - Review and Potential Approval

# **Summary**

The Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a program of capital improvements and operating assistance for the transportation system in the Old Colony Region. The Old Colony TIP lists projects (highway, bridge, and transit) and operational assistance that receive federal funds and may list some projects that do not receive federal funds.

The following is Adjustment 1 that is being presented for review and potential approval:

#### **FFY 2023**

- 1. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT) BAT TERMINAL, INTERMODAL (TRANSIT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: INCREASE COST FROM \$100,000 TO \$127,000 (Increase State (RTACAP) from \$20,000 to \$47,000). The resulting costs are: \$80,000 Federal, and \$47,000 State (RTACAP)

#### STIP Investments Report Program Activity: Transit, 2023 Brockton Area Transit



#### Old Colony TIP Adjustment 1 - December 20, 2022

						STIP: 2023 - 2027 (A) Revision 1+			
Year	MassDOT Project ID	Program	MassDOT Project Description	Funding Source	Total Project Cost	Total Programmed Funds	Federal Funds	State Funds	Adjustments/ Amendments
	Fiscal Year 2023					\$8,577,000		\$3,927,000	
Brockto	n Area Transit	BTA E III ANGLI				\$8,577,000	\$4,650,000	\$3,927,000	
2023	RTD0011330	RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	BAT - ACQUIRE MISC SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	5307	\$100,000	\$80,000	\$80,000		
2023	RTD0011330	RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	BAT - ACQUIRE MISC SUPPORT EQUIPMENT	RTACAP	\$100,000	\$20,000		\$20,000	
2023	RTD0011331	RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	BAT - BUY ASSOC CAP MAINT ITEMS	5307	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$40,000		
2023	RTD0011331	RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	BAT - BUY ASSOC CAP MAINT ITEMS	RTACAP	\$50,000	\$10,000		\$10,000	
2023	RTD0011332	RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	BAT - ACQUIRE-SHOP EQUIPMENT	5307	\$500,000	\$400,000	\$400,000		
2023	RTD0011332	RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	BAT - ACQUIRE-SHOP EQUIPMENT	RTACAP	\$500,000	\$100,000		\$100,000	
2023	RTD0011333	RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	BAT - TERMINAL, INTERMODAL (TRANSIT)	5307	\$127,000	\$80,000	\$80,000		Increase Total Project Cost from \$100,000 to \$127,000.
2023	RTD0011333	RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	BAT - TERMINAL, INTERMODAL (TRANSIT)	RTACAP	\$127,000	\$47,000		\$47,000	Increase Total Project Cost from \$100,000 to \$127,000 (Increase RTACAP from \$20,000 to \$47,000
2023	RTD0011334	RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	BAT - REHAB RENOVATE MAINTENANCE FACILITY	5307	\$500,000	\$400,000	\$400,000		
2023	RTD0011334	RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	BAT - REHAB RENOVATE MAINTENANCE FACILITY	RTACAP	\$500,000	\$100,000		\$100,000	
2023	RTD0011361	RTA Fleet Upgrades	BAT - BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS ELECTRIC (6)	5307	\$6,500,000	\$3,250,000	\$3,250,000		
2023	RTD0011361	RTA Fleet Upgrades	BAT - BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS ELECTRIC (6)	RTACAP	\$6,500,000	\$3,250,000		\$3,250,000	
2023	RTD0011362	RTA Facility & System Modernization	BAT - PURCHASE MISC ELEC/POWER EQUIP	5307	\$800,000	\$400,000	\$400,000		
2023	RTD0011362	RTA Facility & System Modernization	BAT - PURCHASE MISC ELEC/POWER EQUIP	RTACAP	\$800,000	\$400,000		\$400,000	

December 20, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting Agenda Item 7 Draft 2022 Old Colony Title VI Reports

- 2022 Old Colony Title VI Annual Report Review and Potential Approval
  - 2022 Old Colony Title VI Triennial Report Review and Potential Approval

# **Summary**

The MPO administers Title VI and Public Participation and Engagement programs to ensure that protected populations have equal access to the benefits of, and have meaningful opportunities to participate in, the MPO's transportation planning process, free from discrimination. MPOs are subject to the Title VI program requirements of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

FTA Title VI requirements are described in FTA Circular 4702.1B, "Title VI Requirements and Guidelines for Federal Transit Administration Recipients." For more information, visit https://www.transit.dot.gov/sites/fta.dot.gov/files/docs/FTA\_Title\_VI\_FINAL.pdf

FHWA's Title VI regulations are in 23 CFR Part 200. For more information about FHWA Title VI requirements, visit https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-23/chapter-I/subchapter-C/part-200

Both the Triennial and Annual Old Colony MPO Title VI Reports have been completed following the comment/ peer review period and are seeking MPO approval of both reports.

# Draft Old Colony Title VI Reports

2022 Old Colony Title VI Annual Report (Review and Potential Approval)

2022 Old Colony Title VI Triennial Report (Review and Potential Approval)

Shawn Bailey

Senior Transportation Planner

December 20, 2022 Old Colony MPO Meeting

# What is Title VI?

• Title VI is a law within the 1964 Civil Rights Act that bars discrimination in Federally assisted programs be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal assistance on the grounds of race, color, or national origin (including limited English proficiency).

# Why the Report?

- As sub-recipients of federal financial assistance through MassDOT, OCPC and the Old Colony MPO are responsible for all civil rights compliance.
  - Ensure there are no discriminatory practices in carrying out services.
  - Triennial and annual Title VI Reports.
  - Catalogue polices, complaint procedures & forms, investigations, complaints, and lawsuits.
  - Document demographic analysis, LEP/LAP Plan, and Transportation investments.

# Table of Contents (General)

- Introduction
- Provide Title VI Assurances
- Provide PPP & LEP/LAP Plan
- Notify Beneficiaries of Protection
- Develop Complaint Procedures
- Develop Complaint Forms

- Record and Report Investigations, Complaints, and Lawsuits
- Promote Inclusive Public Participation
- Provide Meaningful Access to LEP Persons
- Provide Racial Breakdown of Boards

# Table of Contents (MPO)

- Demographic Profile of Metropolitan Area
- Procedures of How Mobility Needs of Minority Populations are Identified/Considered
- Maps Showing Impacts of Funds
- Analysis of Transportation System Investments & Address any Disparate Impacts
- Procedures to Ensure Nondiscriminatory

#### Environmental Justice: Median Household Income Weymouth Canton Holbrook Norwell Abington Hanover Stoughton Marshfield Sharon Brockton Whitman Pembroke Hanson Duxbury Easton East Bridgewater West Mansfield Bridgewater Halifax Kingston Bridgewater Plympton Norton Raynham Median Income Middleborough Greater than \$125,000 \$100,001-\$125,000 Plymouth \$75,001-\$100,000 Carver \$55,263-\$75,000 Less than \$55,263 (EJ Population) Old Colony Planning Council 70 School Street, Brockton, MA 02301 A block group with a median household income of less than \$55,263, www.ocpcrpa.org which is 65.49% of the 2021 statewide Created November 2022 median household income of \$84,385 Bourne GIS Data Sources: OCPC, American Community is classifed as a an environmental Wareham OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL Survey (ACS) 2020, Office of Geographic justice population. Information (MassGIS)

#### **Environmental Justice: Transit** T Canton Weymouth Norwell Holbrook T Abington Hanover Marshfield Sharon Whitman Pembroke Hanson Duxbury **T** Easton Bridgewater Mansfield Bridgewater T Kingston Halifax Bridgewater Plympton Norton Raynham Middleborough MBTA Commuter Rail Stations Brockton Area Transit (BAT) Routes Plymouth GATRA Plymouth Area Link Routes Carver GATRA SAIL Link Environmental Justice Block Groups Old Colony Planning Council 70 School Street, Brockton, MA 02301 www.ocpcrpa.org Created November 2022 Bourne GIS Data Sources: OCPC, US Census Bureau, Wareham OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL Rochester Office of Geographic Information (MassGIS)

#### **Environmental Justice: TIP Projects** Weymouth Canton Holbrook Norwell Abington Hanover Marshfield Sharon Whitman Pembroke Hanson Duxbury Easton Bridgewater Mansfield Bridgewater Kingston Halifax Bridgewater Plympton Norton Raynham Middleborough Taunton Plymouth TIP Projects Carver TIP Projects Environmental Justice Block Groups Old Colony Planning Council 70 School Street, Brockton, MA 02301 www.ocpcrpa.org Created November 2022 Bourne GIS Data Sources: OCPC, US Census Bureau, OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL Rochester Wareham Office of Geographic Information (MassGIS)

# Current Status

- LEP/LAP Plan completed.
- Annual and Triennial Title VI Reports completed.
  - Seek approval by Old Colony MPO.

# Questions? Comments?

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Development of the 2050 Old Colony Long Range Transportation
Plan (LRTP) - Update and Status Report

# **Summary**

Old Colony Planning Council is currently developing the Old Colony Metropolitan Panning Organization's 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan. Staff are currently finalizing a public survey, while collaborating with planning partners and stakeholders, and Old Colony Planning Council is embarking on its public outreach process for this Plan development.

## Socioeconomic Projections and Travel Demand Model Update

Staff have been actively participating in a Socioeconomic Data Projections Committee, which is comprised of MPO's and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation. The University of Massachusetts' Donahue Institute has been contracted to work with the Committee in developing population and economic projections through 2050. These projections are important as they help guide planning and investment in the future, but they also are a critical component of the travel demand model, which is also being updated for the LRTP.

## **Pavement Survey and Analysis**

Staff continue to survey pavement conditions along the Federal-Aid Eligible surface highway network in the region and is performing analysis to determine conditions ratings which in turn guide the planning needs for maintaining the network in a state of good repair and reaching performance management targets.

## **Goals of the Old Colony 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan**

The Goals of the Old Colony 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan are stated as such:

- Safety: A safe transportation system that minimizes risk of serious injury to motorized and vulnerable users of the system and helps the Region and Commonwealth move towards its Vision Zero goals
   Transparency and Equity: An open and inclusive planning process that ensures representation and access to all persons
- **Economic Vitality**: A transportation network that fosters and supports a robust and diverse economy in the Old Colony Region
- **Security**: A transportation system that maintains security for physical infrastructure and the users of the system.
- Accessibility: A transportation system that ensures access and mobility for all motorized and vulnerable system users
- A Clean Environment: A transportation system that is not only protected but enhanced through energy conservation and smart, green practices
- Resiliency: A transportation system that is sustainable and resilient
- **State of Good Repair**: A planning process that prioritizes maintenance and keeping physical infrastructure in a state of good repair

■ **Efficiency**: A transportation system that minimizes financial and environmental costs associated with congestion and delay

## **Planning Scenarios**

During development of the Beyond Mobility: the statewide Massachusetts 2050 Transportation Plan, it was identified how these recent trends have already had a substantial impact on how people live, work, and travel in the Commonwealth, and how these trends could continue to affect the state through 2050.

- Climate Change
- The Future of Work
- Population Tends
- Housing and Economy
- Prosperity
- Technology

The Old Colony Long Range Transportation Plan will present how these factors have affected the region, and how acceleration, maintenance of the status quo, or a reversal of trends through 2050 could affect the region.

#### **Development Schedule**

The following is the planned development schedule for the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan.

#### **Key Dates**:

- Completed Draft: April 2023
- Release to Public Comment Period: May 16, 2023
  - Plan Presented to Old Colony Planning Council: May 31, 2023
  - o Plan Presented to JTC: June 1, 2023
- Old Colony MPO Endorsement: June 20, 2023

## Public Engagement Plan

- Public Survey
- Mobility and Justice Focus Groups (Coordination with MassDOT)
- Identify and engage stakeholders, community organizations, LEP, Traditionally
   Underserved, and Environmental Justice Populations, and environmental groups
- Report to Joint Transportation Committee and Metropolitan Planning Organization monthly (or as often as they convene)
- Virtual Webinars
- Old Colony Planning Council Open House
- Table Events at Brockton Area Transit
- Dedicated Plan Page on oldcolonyplanning.org website
- Traditional and Social Media Outreach

# **Public Survey and Engagement**

Old Colony Planning Council is collaborating with MassDOT and mobility partners in the region to plan focus group meeting(s) in the coming months to discuss mobility needs and challenges for the region to be focused on in the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan. The first focus group meeting will be held in cooperation and collaboration with the Brockton Area Transit (BAT) Authority and will be scheduled in January 2023.

A public survey will be launched in the next couple of weeks. This survey was developed in cooperation with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

Public engagement events will be scheduled in early 2023.

If you have any questions about the contents of the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan, the public outreach process, or development schedule, please contact LRTP Project Manager Bill McNulty at wmcnulty@ocpcrpa.org or (774) 539-5103.

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Administrative Matters, Other Business, and Date and Time of
Next Meeting(s)

# **Summary**

## **Culvert Connection - Culvert Grant Program - Now Accepting Project Inquiries**

The Division of Ecological Restoration (DER), Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game, seeks proposals from Massachusetts municipalities interested in replacing undersized, perched, and/or degraded culverts located in areas of high ecological value. The purpose of this funding is to encourage municipalities to replace culverts with better designed crossings that meet improved structural and environmental design standards and climate resiliency criteria. In general, **individual awards have ranged from \$25,000 to \$400,000**, depending on the project phases and work proposed. Awards over \$200,000 are anticipated for construction projects only.

Potential applicants are encouraged to e-mail DERCulverts@mass.gov to set up a Pre-RFR Project Inquiry call. DER staff will contact you before the RFR is released to discuss your project(s) eligibility. Potential applicants will be asked to provide basic project information in advance of the call so DER staff can be better prepared to discuss projects with potential applicants.

#### **Procurement Calendar:**

- Now accepting Pre-RFR Project Inquiries through Wednesday, February
   1, 2023. Email DER ( DERCulverts@mass.gov ) to set-up a call with DER staff prior to issuance of RFR (this step is recommended, but optional).
- Grant Materials, including FAQs and program summary information will be posted on COMMBUYS with other technical resources available on the Division's website mid-January, 2023.
- Pre-RFR Grant Briefing Presentation will be held on Monday, January 30
  at 1pm.
- Application Deadline is anticipated mid-March, 2023.

# No-Cost Equipment from MassDOT: Speed Feedback and School Zone Speed Limit Signs

There has been an uptick in speeding and speeding-related fatalities and serious injuries on roadways in Massachusetts. Dynamic speed feedback signs have been shown to reduce speeds by an average of 4 mph (with the highest speeds realizing the greatest reductions) and to reduce fatalities and serious injuries. Additionally, the Massachusetts Amendments to the MUTCD have been updated to include grades 9 – 12 (previously only grades K – 8 were covered based on Federal Safe Routes to School guidance). Specifically, the following language is now included: "school zones shall only be applicable to schools recognized by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, including all public, private, charter, vocational technical, and approved special education schools serving students in one or more grades between K and 12."

Therefore, MassDOT would like to provide solar-powered, combination dynamic speed feedback and school zone speed limit sign assemblies to municipalities (one at either end of the school zone). The image below shows a typical assembly. MassDOT will procure and provide the equipment to the municipalities at no cost. Municipalities are responsible for installation and maintenance. Training will be provided by MassDOT and the equipment vendor. Applications are due January 16, 2023. Initially, approximately 50 municipalities will be selected to receive this equipment based on a combination of crashes, risks, environment, context, and need. If the program is successful and funding is available, MassDOT will select additional municipalities.

## The application is available now at:

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# **Date and Time of Next Old Colony MPO Virtual Meeting(s)**

The Old Colony MPO members are respectfully requested to confirm the dates and times of their next virtual meeting(s).

#### 2023

- January 17, 2023 at 10 AM
- February 21, 2023 at 10 AM
- March 21, 2023 at 10 AM
- April 18, 2023 at 10 AM
- May 16, 2023 at 10 AM
- June 20, 2023 at 10 AM
- July 18, 2023 at 10 AM

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# **Summary**

Adjournment of meeting.