OLD COLONY JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Advising the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and the Old Colony Planning Council (OCPC)

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Thursday, March 3, 2022, 12:00 P.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Held Virtually via Zoom

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AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order, Accessibility Statement, Title VI Notice of Protection, and Introductions
- 2. Public Comments
- 3. Minutes of February 3, 2022 Meeting
- 4. Communications
- 5. Reports
 - A. Brockton Area Regional Transit Authority (BAT)
 - B. Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority (GATRA)
 - C. South Coast Rail (SCR) Project
- 6. Old Business
 - A. FFY 2022-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Implementation
- 7. New Business
 - A. South Coast Rail Project Update
 - Guest Speaker: Jean Fox, MassDOT South Coast Rail Project Manager
 - B. Old Colony Freight Management and Action Plan
 - Project Update and Regional Freight Discussion
- 8. Other Business
 - A. Community Local Technical Assistance Studies
 - B. Staff Reviews on ENFs, EIRs and NPCs
 - C. Regional Concerns and Local Community Transportation Issues
- 9. 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).

March 3, 2022 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 1 Call to Order, Accessibility Statement, Title VI Notice of Protection,

and Introductions

Summary

Call to order, Introductions, and Accessibility Statement and Title VI Nondiscrimination Statement.

Accessibility Statement and Title VI Nondiscrimination Statement

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March 3, 2022 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 2 Public Comments

Summary

Public comments.

March 3, 2022 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 3 Minutes of February 3, 2022 Meeting

Summary

Old Colony JTC to consider approval of February 3, 2022 Old Colony JTC Meeting Minutes.

March 3, 2022 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 4 Communications

Summary

MassDOT Highway Initiating a Project - MaPIT: Please Start Preparing New Projects Now

MassDOT initiates new projects through a formal 3-step process using the Massachusetts Project Intake Tool (MaPIT). Applicants need a GeoDOT account to log into MaPIT and initiate new projects. For more information about the project development process, refer to Chapter 2 of the Project Development and Design Guide.

In advance MassDOT Project Review Committee (PRC) Meeting in June 2022, projects must be initiated in Project INFO by Mid-May to discuss scoring at the Pre-PRC meeting, which happens 2 weeks prior to the PRC. This process may take 2 months to complete, so it is important to give it enough time for coordination. As such, please start preparing new projects for initiation now in order to be ready for the PRC meeting in June.

For more information, please visit:

https://www.mass.gov/info-details/massdot-highway-initiating-a-project

MA Safe Routes to School Networking Call

On March 16, 2022, at 10:00 AM, please join for the last of three MA Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Networking Calls! This is a virtual space where SRTS champions like you can connect to share ideas, troubleshoot problems, brainstorm solutions, learn about new SRTS resources, and grow their networks across the Commonwealth. The topic of discussion for the third networking call will be launching Walking School Buses/Bike Trains and how to sustain them over time. MA Safe Routs to School encourages municipal staff, school staff, alliance partners, community members, parents/guardians, and anyone else interested in Safe Routes to School to join us for our last Networking Call of the school year.

For additional information, please visit:

https://www.mass.gov/event/ma-safe-routes-to-school-networking-call-2022-03-16t100000-0400-2022-03-16t104500-0400

To register, please visit:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMpdempqj8jH9SclczvXIAiPXUSuCK6Ow8M

WalkBoston Annual Meeting 2022 - March 30, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Each March, WalkBoston holds their Annual Celebration to honor achievements in walkability and to highlight the contributions of wonderful volunteers, board members, and the many individuals and corporations who support the organization each year. WalkBoston is pleased to announce that the 2022 Golden Shoe Awards go to Josh Ostroff, Meg Robertson, and "Just Walk Boston.

The 2022 Annual Celebration Keynote Speaker this year is Kyle Robidoux, a tireless advocate who has focused his professional and personal career on building community. He has spent 20 years working in the nonprofit sector, including as a housing advocate helping individuals staying in shelters find permanent homes and as a community organizer. Most recently he has directed three programs for a local blindness organization.

To register, please visit:

https://cts.vresp.com/c/?WalkBoston/e0cea21c4f/3c6e7cdc1d/da973a89ad



Participate and learn about the exciting infrastructure investments being made by MassDOT and new innovative methods and technologies in transportation; meet and network with other transportation professionals. The event is open to all transportation practitioners from federal, state, and local transportation agencies, Metropolitan Planning Organizations, transit agencies, academia, and private industry.

Location: The DCU Center, Worcester, MA with Online Virtual Component

For additional information, please visit: www.MassDOTInnovation.com

Release of the 2022 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) NOFO

The Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) has been released for the FY2022 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Transportation Discretionary Grants program. See below and attached for more information.

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) appropriated \$1.5 billion to be awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation for National Infrastructure Investment grants under RAISE. This is the first year of the RAISE Transportation Discretionary Grants program under the BIL. The grant program funds will be awarded on a competitive basis for surface transportation infrastructure projects that will have a significant local or regional impact. The FY 2022 RAISE NOFO and related information, including initial FAQs, is now available on the RAISE website: https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants.

The application deadline is April 14, 2022 at 5:00 PM Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). The NOFO is expected to be published in the Federal Register by Friday, February 4, 2022.

To provide technical assistance to stakeholders, DOT will host a series of webinars during the FY 2022 RAISE grant application period. For information and to register, please visit the RAISE webinar series webpage at https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants/outreach. If you have any questions, please email RAISEgrants/outreach. If you

March 3, 2022 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 5A Brockton Area Transit Authority (BAT)

Summary

Brockton Area Transit to provide report.

March 3, 2022 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 5B Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority (GATRA)

Summary

Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority to provide report.

March 3, 2022 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 5C South Coast Rail Project

Summary

The South Coast Rail (SCR) project will restore commuter rail service between Boston and southeastern Massachusetts by the end of 2023. Taunton, Fall River, and New Bedford are the only major cities within 50 miles of Boston that do not currently have commuter rail service to Boston. SCR will reconnect this region to jobs and generate economic development.

South Coast Rail consists of two phases:

Phase 1 will provide a one-seat ride by extending the existing Middleborough/Lakeville commuter rail line from Boston to Taunton, Fall River, and New Bedford and it will deliver service to the South Coast by late 2023.

Full Build plans to extend Commuter Rail service to continue travel on the Stoughton branch of the Providence/Stoughton line, connecting to more communities in the region. Doing so would result in reconstructing the Canton Center and Stoughton stations to accommodate two rail lines.

In February 2022, work conducted involved continued fencing installation in six communities on Fall River and Middleborough Secondary Lines; utilizing Cotley Street in Berkley to access right-of-way (ROW) for various project activities; railroad work at Myricks Street in Berkley (conduit, drainage, grubbing, and roadbed work); bridge work at Pearce Street in Fall River, and track work adjacent to the Weaver's Cove Layover Site.

Additional work done included daytime construction at station sites, layover sites, and along the right-of-way from Middleborough to New Bedford as well as along the right-of-way from Berkley to Fall River. There was also overnight and daytime transportation of soils to the Freetown Station site and Weaver's Cove Layover Facility in Fall River.

If anyone is interested in signing up for weekly updates on the South Coast Rail project, please click on the following link to enter an email address:

https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/MADOT/subscriber/new?topic_id=MADOT_30

March 3, 2022 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 6A FFY 2022-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Implementation

Summary

The Transportation Improvement Program projects programmed in Year 1 must be ready for advertisement within that year (design, engineering, permits, and approvals, etc. completed).

FFY 2022 PROJECTS:

- AVON & STOUGHTON PAVEMENT PRESERVATION AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 24 (608496)
 - Construction bids opened 11/23/2021. Low bid was \$6,595,610 submitted by PJ Keating Company of Lunenberg, MA.
 - Cost Estimate is \$7,339,593.

- PEMBROKE REHABILITATION OF ROUTE 36 (CENTER STREET) FROM ROUTE 27 TO ROUTE 14 (600380)
 - Construction bids opened 2/1/2022. Low bid was \$8,857,852 submitted by A R Belli Inc. of Newtonville, MA.
 - Cost Estimate is \$ 10,160,995.

FFY 2023 PROJECTS:

- BROCKTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WORK AT CENTRE STREET (ROUTE 123), CARY STREET, AND LYMAN STREET (609410)
 - 25% Package Resubmission 1 received by MassDOT (7/9/2021).
 - Cost Estimate is \$2,135,071.
- STOUGHTON CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138 (607403) AC PHASE 1 OF 2
 - 25% Package Resubmission 1 received by MassDOT (10/13/2020).
 - Design Public Hearing held February 16, 2022.
 - Cost Estimate for AC Phase 1 is \$6,971,447 (Total cost is \$11,485,518).
- STOUGHTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WORK AT CENTRAL STREET, CANTON STREET AND TOSCA DRIVE (608279)
 - MassDOT comments on the 100% Package returned to the Design Engineer (3/24/2021).
 - Cost Estimate is \$4,596,463.

FFY 2024 PROJECTS:

- BROCKTON ROUTE 123 (CENTRE STREET) AT PLYMOUTH STREET SIGNALIZATION AND GEOMETRIC IMPROVEMENTS (609052)
 - 25% Package received by MassDOT (11/15/2021).
 - Cost Estimate is \$2,523,420.
- PLYMPTON BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, WINNETUXET ROAD OVER WINNETUXET RIVER (609435)
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$\$2,141,666.
- STOUGHTON CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138 (607403) AC PHASE 2 OF 2
 - 25% Resubmission 1 Package received by MassDOT (10/13/2020).
 - Design Public Hearing held February 16, 2022.
 - Cost Estimate for AC Phase 2 is \$4,514,071 (Total cost is \$11,485,518).

FFY 2025 PROJECTS:

- BROCKTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT LYMAN STREET/ GROVE STREET/ SUMMER STREET & REPLACEMENT OF GROVE STREET BRIDGE, B-25-005, OVER SALISBURY PLAIN RIVER (607818)
 - 25% Resubmission 1 Package received by MassDOT (12/24/2019).
 - Cost Estimate is \$4,704,000.
- EASTON CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138 INCLUDING INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 138 (WASHINGTON STREET) AND ELM STREET (608195)
 - MassDOT comments on the 25% Package returned to the Design Engineer (as of 1/23/2019).
 - Cost Estimate is \$5,754,468.

FFY 2026 PROJECTS:

- ABINGTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT HANCOCK STREET AND CHESTNUT STREET (609440)
 - MassDOT comments on the 25% Package returned to the Design Engineer (as of 9/6/2021).
 - Cost Estimate is \$2,900,232.

- DUXBURY SIGNAL INSTALLATION @ ROUTE 3 (NB & SB) RAMPS & ROUTE 3A (TREMONT STREET) (606002)
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$2,784,000.
- HANSON CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 14 (MAQUAN STREET), FROM THE PEMBROKE T.L. TO INDIAN HEAD STREET AND RELATED WORK (608506) AC Phase 1 of 2
 - 25% Package received by MassDOT (as of 5/7/2020).
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - AC Phase 1 is \$5,464,471; AC Phase 2 is \$6,496,312 and will be programmed in FFY 2027 (Total cost is \$11,960,783).

CURRENTLY UNPROGRAMMED PROJECTS IN FFY 2022-2026 TIP

- ABINGTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, RANDOLPH STREET AND RICHARD A. FITTS DRIVE (ROUTE 139) AT CHESTNUT STREET AND OLD RANDOLPH STREET (612525)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project approved by the MassDOT Project Review Committee (PRC) on 10/21/2021.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$3,786,625.
- ABINGTON & BROCKTON PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 123 (609520)

- Currently not programmed.
- 25% Package received by MassDOT (7/9/2021).
- o Cost Estimate is \$3,129,363 (\$20,029,176).
- AVON CORRIDOR IMPROVEMEMENTS ON ROUTE 28 (610804)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$4,002,001.
- AVON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 28, SPRING STREET AND HARRISON BOULEVARD (611979)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - o Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - The Notice to Proceed (NTP) to begin work on the contract has been issued.
 (7/14/2021).
 - Cost Estimate is \$3,750,000.
- BROCKTON IMPROVEMENTS ON FOREST AVENUE, FROM WEST STREET TO BREER STREET (612526)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project approved by the MassDOT Project Review Committee (PRC) on 10/21/2021.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$8,778,450.

- BROCKTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS @ CRESCENT STREET (ROUTE 27)/ QUINCY STREET/ MASSASOIT BOULEVARD (606143)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - 25% Package received by MassDOT (as of 5/4/2015).
 - Cost Estimate is \$5,520,744.
- BROCKTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 123 (BELMONT STREET), PEARL STREET AND STONEHILL STREET (612262)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$ 7,465,375.
- DUXBURY BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, D-14-003 (438), POWDER POINT AVENUE OVER DUXBURY BAY (612006)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$34,500,00.
- EAST BRIDGEWATER INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT BEDFORD STREET (ROUTE 18),
 WEST STREET (ROUTE 106) AND EAST STREET (611968)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - o Project is in the preliminary design phase.

- o Cost Estimate is \$3,500,000.
- EAST BRIDGEWATER INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT HIGHLAND STREET AND NORTH BEDFORD STREET (ROUTE 18) (611976)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$3,500,000.
- EASTON RESURFACING AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 138 (ROOSEVELT CIRCLE TO STOUGHTON TOWN LINE) (608585)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$4,025,000.
- EASTON IMPROVEMENTS ON FOUNDRY STREET (ROUTE 106/123) (612269)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Pre-25% Design Meeting held March 1, 2022
 - Cost Estimate is \$ 14,315,773.
- KINGSTON BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, K-01-014, SMITHS LANE OVER ROUTE 3 (PILGRIM HIGHWAY) (608615)
 - Currently not programmed.

- Project is in the preliminary design phase.
- Cost Estimate is \$12,788,000.
- PEMBROKE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT WASHINGTON STREET AND SCHOOSETT STREET (611978)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$2,500,000.
- STOUGHTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT CANTON STREET (ROUTE 27), SCHOOL STREET AND SUMMER STREET (611981)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$2,300,000.
- STOUGHTON RECONSTRUCTION OF TURNPIKE STREET (607214)
 - MassDOT comments on the 25% Package returned to the Design Engineer (as of 9/7/2021).
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$29,272,890.

March 3, 2022 Old Colony JTC Meeting
 Agenda Item 7A
 South Coast Rail – Project Update
 Guest Speaker: Jean Fox, MassDOT

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Summary

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 Jean Fox, MassDOT Project Manager of South Coast Rail, will provide an overview and status update of South Coast Rail. Phase 1, which extends the Middleborough branch of the Old Colony Commuter Rail line to Fall River and New Bedford, is currently under construction.

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 Jean Fox is a resident of the South Coast and has served as Project Manager at MassDOT since 2011.

March 3, 2022 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 7B Old Colony Freight Management and Action Plan Project Update and Regional Freight Discussion

Summary

The ongoing freight planning study efforts are focusing on a number of tasks based on FHWA guidelines in freight planning. These guidelines include integrating freight planning into the overall planning process, identify and plan for long-term freight needs, develop specific long-range transportation projects, identify potential funding sources for those projects. The elements and process of the Freight Study include:

1. Freight Self-Assessment

- ➤ Identify the key freight facilities and modes (truck, rail, port, air), industries, freight generators
- ➤ Understand freight transportation needs (issues such as truck routes, bottlenecks/congestion, truck exclusions, physical constraints, crash locations and safety
- ➤ Identify the major freight players in the region

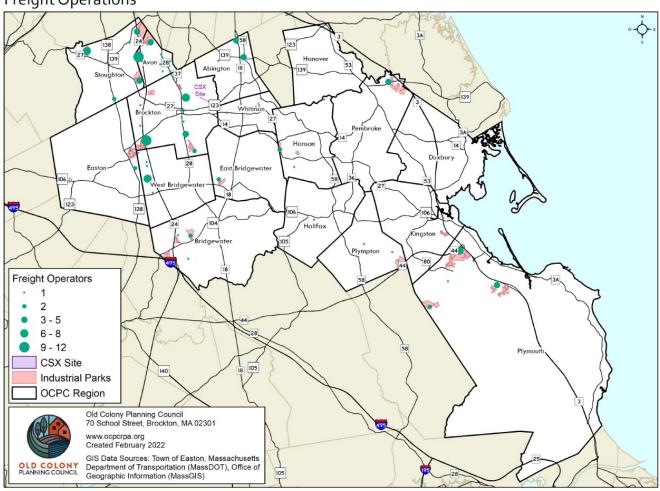
- 2. Identify action freight related strategies, policies, and projects specific to the region that could be implemented into the MPO's plans and programs.
- 3. Integrate Freight Plan with the region's Long Range Transportation Plan

Discussions included in the study and report include:

- Consider existing MassDOT performance measures and targets
- *Review rest area locations for long-distance truck drivers in the region, and the requirements of Jason's Law
- ❖ Identify possible traffic bottlenecks and safety concerns
- ❖ Freight project identification

Freight Operators in the OCPC region

Freight Operations





OCPC Freight Planning and Action Study Update



Study tasks and process based on FHWA guidelines (what we plan to accomplish)



Self-Assessment (Freight Profile)

What is the freight transportation infrastructure? The physical and operational attributes available for each modal system, key routes and facilities, industry use, physical condition, and traffic volumes.

Commodity flow summary that describes the tonnage and value of freight shipments moving into, out of, through, and within the region.

Other transportation-related factors, such as economic development, land-use, safety, and environmental impacts. The combination of these components provides an illustration of what the regional freight system is, how it is being used, and how it impacts the community (and vice versa).

Freight Planning Issues - Discussions

How is the system network used, and what are its weaknesses or congestion/bottlenecks? What about locations on the network that are safety concerns (compile truck crashes).

Develop mapping – major roadways, inter-modal connectors, railroads, inter-modal terminals, port facilities, and airports. Map the congestion, bottlenecks and flag locations where safety is a problem.

Review aggregate commodity flow data. The Freight Analysis Framework and CFS are available from FHWA and BTS providing commodity flow profiles for states. These geographic levels are larger than an MPO region, they can provide general characteristics for the region, key commodities, mode shares, and inbound outbound.

Summarize key socioeconomic data. Review key regional trends in employment and population growth including types of employment and overall growth throughout the region. (Census Bureau or Bureau of Economic Analysis, state sources).

Review rest area locations for long-distance truck drivers in the region, and the requirements of Jason's Law.

Consider Mass DOT performance measures and targets

Performance Measures adopted by MassDOT and Old Colony MPO

Safety

- > Number and rate of fatalities on all public roads.
- > Number and rate of serious injuries on all public roads.
- Number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads.

❖ Infrastructure

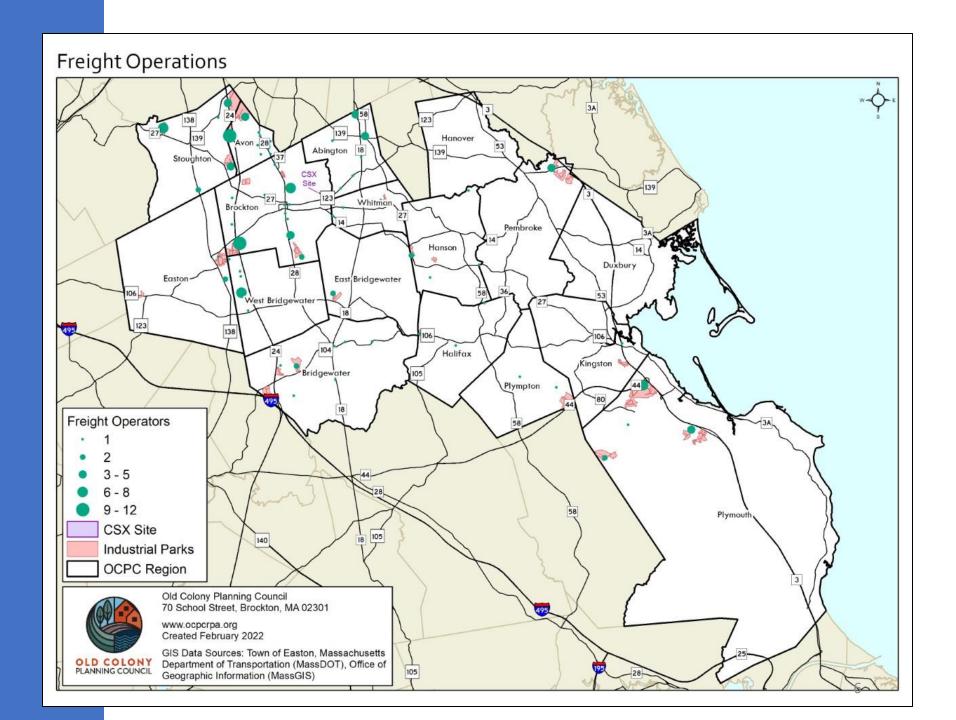
- > Percent of Interstate pavements in good/poor condition.
- > Percent of non-Interstate NHS pavements in good/poor condition.
- > Percent of NHS bridge deck area in good/poor condition.

System performance

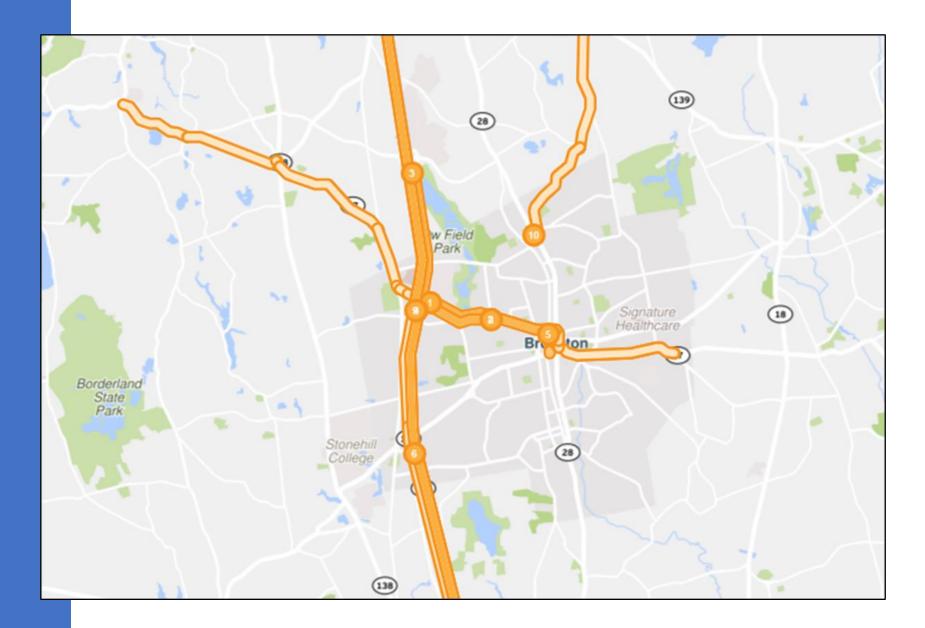
➤ Truck Travel Time Reliability (TTTR) index: This measure is calculated by dividing the 95th percentile truck travel time on a road segment by the 50th percentile travel time.

Work with MassDOT to develop/compile TTTR for Truck Routes (Although TTTR is specific for trucks, all PM are important for freight movement)

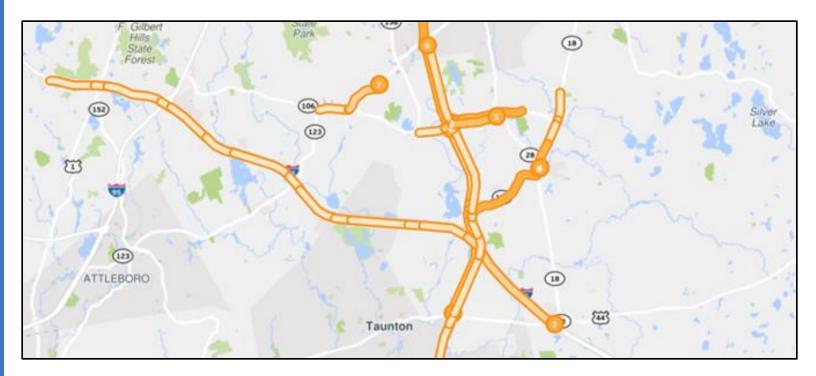
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Freight
Operations
Locations Map

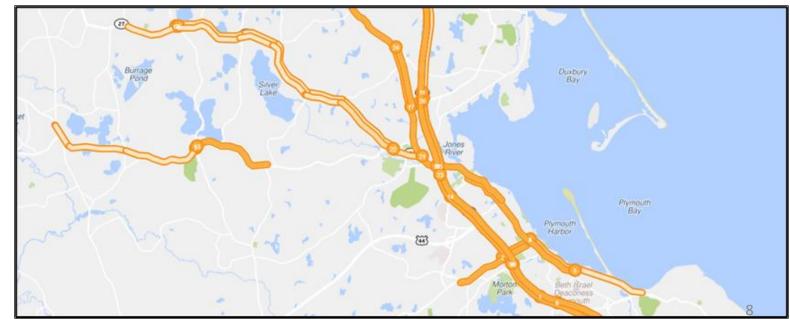


Using Regional
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Truck parking shortages are a national safety concern along with the associated safety risks.

Section 1401 of MAP-21, "Jason's Law," addresses the commercial motor vehicle parking shortage at public and private facilities along the National Highway System (NHS). It directs the USDOT to survey and:

- 1. Evaluate the capability of each State to provide adequate parking and rest facilities for commercial motor vehicles engaged in interstate transportation;
- 2. Assess the volume of commercial motor vehicle traffic in each State; and
- 3. Develop a system of metrics to measure the adequacy of commercial motor vehicle parking facilities in each State.

Route 24 Truck/Rest stop Bridgewater at I-495



OCPC Freight Planning and Action Study Timeline

Dec 2021 - Jan 2022

Compile previous studies, review Massachusetts Freight Plan, Review FHWA Guidelines

Feb - March 2022

Self Assessment
Freight Profile (Data collection Commodity
Flow Summary,
Bottlenecks/
Congestion, Crash
experience)

April- May 2022

Mapping of congestion/bottleneck data, update of truck generator locations, field observation of Route 24 truck stop parking

June – July 2022

Develop draft text report for review, revise text for final report.

Questions, Comments?

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March 3, 2022 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 8A Community Local Technical Assistance Studies

Summary

Through Task 3200 (Local Highway Technical Assistance) of the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) FFY 2022 Unified Planning Work Program, Old Colony Planning Council provides local traffic planning and technical analysis services to its member communities.

The Town of Stoughton has requested a traffic study for the area of Pleasant Street (Route 139) and Lowe Avenue, with specific regard to walkability and pedestrian safety between Route 139 and the Joseph R. Dawe Jr. Elementary School on Lowe Avenue. Old Colony Planning Council is working with the Town to schedule this Study.

Project Status Updates

Brockton

Level of Service Analysis and Crash Rate Analysis of Three Belmont Street (Route 123)
 Intersections

Data Collection and Analysis Underway

Kingston

Technical Assistance with Identifying Thickly Settled Residential Areas

 Consultation with Town Underway

Plymouth

Survey of Billington Street via Drone Program
 To be scheduled

Stoughton

Pedestrian Safety and Walkability Audit of Pleasant Street (Route 139) and Lowe Avenue
 To be scheduled

For information about local technical assistance studies prepared by OCPC or to request technical assistance in your community, please direct inquiries to Bill McNulty, PTP (wmcnulty@ocpcrpa.org) at 508.583.1833 extension 207.

March 3, 2022 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 8B Staff Reviews on ENFs, EIRs, and NPCs

Summary

The reviews on Environmental Notification Forms (ENFs), Environmental Impact Reports (EIRs), and Notices of Project Change (NPCs) staff report includes projects that are subject to Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) review under M.G.L. c. 30, sections 61-62H. The staff report provides information about proposed projects, proponent and MEPA points of contact, and comment period deadlines in order to provide the public with an opportunity to review and comment on any and all proposed projects. Information on the MEPA review process; project filing procedures; the staff directory; and information on current and past projects can be accessed at http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/mepa/.

Submitting Comments to MEPA

The Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) accepts written comments on projects currently under MEPA review. Comments may be submitted electronically, by mail, via fax, or by hand delivery. Comments submitted to MEPA are public records and should be sent to the following address:

Secretary Kathleen Theoharides EEA, Attn: MEPA Office [Analyst Name], EEA No._____ 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114

Certificates

EEA # 16504 – Warehouse Facility – East Bridgewater

The Certificate states that this project **Does Not** require an Environmental Impact Report.

Public Notices

Notice of Application and Issuance of Draft Groundwater Discharge Permit - Kingston

The Town of Kingston is applying for a Groundwater Discharge Permit for sanitary wastewater in the amount of 1,000,000 Gallons Per Day. The location of the facility is located on Cranberry Road.

Notice of Intent to Initiate an Ealgrass Restoration Project – Duxbury, Plymouth

The project consists of transplanting ½ acre of eelgrass (Zostera marina) in Duxbury Bay over a five year period, beginning in spring 2022. The project shall result in an increase in storm damage prevention and the protection of fisheries as well as wildlife habitat.

Notice of Intent for Ecological Restoration at 127 Manamet Point Road – Plymouth

The proposed project includes wetland improvements, invasive plant management, maintenanceof existing meadows & walking trailsand the construction of an observation blind with boardwalk. The proposed project has been designed to improve wildlife habitat value throughout the site, provide anoverall improvement to the natural capacity of the resource areas and to protect and sustain the interest identified in the MA Wetlands Protection Act.

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