

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, December 7, 2023, 12:00 P.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Held Virtually via Zoom

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Public Comments
3. Minutes of November 2, 2023 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 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Implementation
 - Amendment 1 – Report on Results Public Review and Comment Period
 - Adjustment 1 – Report on Adjustment 1
7. New Business
 - A. FFY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development
 - Development Timeline and Universe of Projects
 - B. Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Evaluation Criteria (TEC)
 - Presentation and 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).

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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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Agenda Item 2
Public Comments

Summary

Public comments.

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Agenda Item 3
Minutes of November 2, 2023 Meeting

Summary

Old Colony JTC to consider approval of November 2, 2023 Old Colony JTC Meeting Minutes.

OLD COLONY JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (JTC)

Meeting Minutes of the Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee (JTC) Held Virtually Via Zoom November 2, 2023 at 12:00 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

Abington	John Stone	MassDOT	Jean Fox
Abington	Bruce Hughes	GATRA	Mary Ellen DeFrias
Bridgewater	Yamaris Terrero	Office of State Senator Michael Brady	Al DeGirolamo
Bridgewater	Julianna Curry	Transit AMS	Jim Nihan
Bridgewater	Sristhi Jain	GPI	Sid Kashi
Brockton	Rob May	Howard Stein Hudson	Steve Findlen
Duxbury	Allison Shane	CDM Smith	Lisa Sherman
Hanson	Don Howard	OCPC	Charles Kilmer
Pembroke	Becky Coletta	OCPC	Mary Waldron
Stoughton	William Roth	OCPC	Kyle Mowatt
Whitman	Dan Salvucci	OCPC	Shawn Bailey
Whitman	Noreen O'Toole	OCPC	Guoqiang Li
BAT	Michael Lambert	OCPC	Bill McNulty
BAT	Glenn Geiler	OCPC	Ray Guarino
MassDOT District 5	Barbara Lachance		

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Noreen O'Toole called the meeting to order at 12:01 P.M. and then read the Meeting Accessibility Statement and the Title VI Notice of Protection Statement. Bill McNulty then conducted the roll call.

2. Public Comments

There were no public comments at this time.

3. Minutes of October 5, 2023 Meeting

Chairperson O'Toole asked if there is a motion to approve the October 5, 2023 Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Dan Salvucci and seconded by Don Howard to approve the Meeting Minutes from October 5, 2023.

The Old Colony JTC voted unanimously to approve the October 5, 2023 Meeting Minutes.

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4. Communications

Shawn Bailey reviewed the contents of the communications staff report. Included were letters of correspondence, as well as notices of workshops and conferences. They are as follows:

- FY 2024 Community Transit Grant Program (CTGP) Vehicle Application Schedule Reminder PLUS Vehicle Guide Now Available – Applications open in November.
- 2024 MassTrails Grant Application period is NOW OPEN! Applications are due Thursday, February 1, 2024
- The FY 2023 Application Period for the Thriving Communities Program (Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Discretionary Grant) is Now Open!
- 2023 Clean School Bus Rebate Program – Open for applications through January 31, 2024
- Creating Master Plans Webinar Series – November 6, 2023

5. Reports

A. Brockton Area Regional Transit Authority (BAT)

Chairperson O'Toole announced that Glenn Geiler has accepted a job with the MBTA and will be leaving BAT. Chairperson O'Toole noted that Glenn has been representing BAT on the JTC for many years in her eight-year tenure with BAT. Congratulations to Glenn Geiler for her new job with the MBTA.

Glenn Geiler said that she has had a wonderful time at BAT and has learned a lot from the JTC over the years.

Glenn Geiler reported on the following items:

- BAT has implemented a new weekend service schedule. Saturday service frequency has doubled, and Sunday morning service has been implemented as well.
- Michael Lambert has applied with MassDOT for the Fare Free Program. BAT did the Fare Free program last year around the holidays. The application would be to start Fare Free service on December 1 and continue through the end of May, 2024.
- October 2023 Ridership reached a new record level following pandemic.
- Rockland Micro Transit Service surpassed 600 trips for the first time in October. Facebook advertising was also done for this service.

Charles Kilmer, on behalf of OCPC, thanked Glenn for being a wonderful colleague. Glenn has been a great person to work with and wishes her the best.

Mary Waldron stated that she has had a great impact on OCPC and also the whole region.

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B. Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority (GATRA)

Mary Ellen DeFrias reported on the following items:

- GATRA is participating in the Fare Free Application. The free service would be from Black Friday through New Year's Eve.
- Limited Sunday service has rolled out. GATRA's SAIL route, which runs up to Marshfield, and the Coastline which is the on-demand service. Sunday service is out to a slow start, but the demand is definitely there.

C. South Coast Rail Project

- **Invited Guest Speaker: Jean Fox, MassDOT, South Coast Rail Project Manager**

Shawn Bailey reported on the following:

In October 2023, work conducted involved fencing installation in seven communities on the Middleborough Secondary and New Bedford Main Lines; overnight traffic signal and road work in Fall River; construction of a pedestrian bridge over Route 18 in New Bedford; vegetation clearing at railroad crossings in five communities; utilizing two streets in Berkley to access right-of-way (ROW) for various project activities; road closure/detour and 24-hour railroad crossing work in Berkley, Lakeville, and New Bedford; road/sidewalk paving on two streets in New Bedford; daytime road and traffic signal work in Fall River and New Bedford; extended hours track work in four communities on the Middleborough Secondary Line; daytime roadwork on Route 28 in Middleborough; signal system installation and testing in seven communities.

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 from Berkley to Fall River. There was also transportation of soil by truck to designated project sites.

Jean Fox provided detailed presentation and project update on South Coast Rail.

Work Completed:

- 36 Miles of track installed.
- 18 bridges
- 25 grade crossings
- 21 additional culverts
- 2 stations
- 2 layover facilities
- 2 crew houses
- 50+ utility agreements

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The Fall River Secondary Line contract is substantially complete; with only punch list items left to complete. Middleborough Secondary/New Bedford Main Line and Systems Contract is 85% complete. New Bedford Station Pedestrian Bridge Contract is 19% complete; the contractor is performing abutment and elevator foundation work.

Critical Items for Revenue Service:

- Track Destressing
- East Taunton Station and Elevator Completion
- Automatic Train Control testing (nearly 2,000 required tests)
- Positive Train Control (software design and verification)
- Positive Train Control (Months of locomotive field testing of all 3 lines of SCR)
- Fire/Life Safety Training
- Safety Certification System (over 200 safety Critical Elements – Bridges, culverts, grade crossings, walls, track, stations, layovers, ATC/PTC systems, etc.
- Operational Qualification Field testing
- FRA Simulated Service Demonstration
- System ready for service – we anticipate passenger service to start in summer 2024.

Mary Waldron stated that she appreciates all the SCR communication, work and important updates.

Chairperson O’Toole mentioned the grade crossings and the fact that they have been painting the grade crossings in a diamond pattern. Jean Fox stated that there is a whole new protocol for grade crossings (reflectors, additional stripping) and this is a new safety initiative at grade crossings.

6. Old Business

A. FFY 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Implementation

▪ Amendment 1 – Public Review and Comment Period

Bill McNulty presented Amendment 1, which was released to the 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period by the Old Colony MPO on October 17, 2023.

FFY 2024

- BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT) PURCHASE OF MISCELLANEOUS POWER END ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT
 - **ADDING PROJECT**
 - Total Project Cost is \$400,000
- BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT – PURCHASE OF BATTERY-ELECTRIC BUSES AND CHARGING EQUIPMENT
 - **ADDING PROJECT**
 - **FUNDING: FTA NO OR LOW EMISSION VEHICLE PROGRAM**

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- Awarded: \$10,694,736.

BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW (BIL) DISCRETIONARY GRANTS – PROGRAMMED IN FFY 2024

National Culvert Removal Restoration and Replacement Grant Program

- PLYMOUTH – TOWN BROOK STREAM RESTORATION: DEEP WATER CULVERT REPLACEMENT
 - ADDING PROJECT
 - Awarded: \$2,000,000.

Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant Program

- BROCKTON – DOWNTOWN BROCKTON INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
 - ADDING PROJECT
 - Awarded: \$7,843,750.

Chairperson O'Toole asked if there is a motion to approve Amendment 1.

A motion was made by Rob May and was seconded by Dan Salvucci.

The Old Colony JTC voted unanimously to approve Amendment 1.

7. New Business

- A. **Old Colony Regional Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Vision Zero Safety Action Plan**
 - **Project Overview**

Bill McNulty provided an overview of the Old Colony Regional Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Vision Zero Safety Action Plan.

Through a Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Discretionary Grant under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, Old Colony Planning Council is contracting with a C9 consultant to prepare a Regional Vision Zero Safety Action Plan that will serve as an SS4A Compliant Action Plan for all seventeen member communities of the Old Colony region.

The Safety Action Plan will follow the same guidelines as the Safe Systems Approach utilized by the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The consultant may add any additional pertinent information to the scope as their experience and expertise is so determined. This project will follow all required plan components and guidelines as stated in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) by the USDOT Safe Streets and Roads for All Discretionary Grant Program. For more information on plan components, visit the FHWA website.

In summary, the final product will be an SS4A Compliant Action Plan that will visualize data that connects prevalent risk and crash characteristics to agency policy and processes, including implementing proven

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safety countermeasures, identifying projects or locations for priority funding, and supporting future local project development. This project will focus on all users, including pedestrians, cyclists, public transportation users, motorists, personal conveyance and micro-mobility users, and commercial vehicle operators.

The project is funded by a \$320,000 grant from the United States Department of Transportation and matching \$80,000 from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT).

B. Old Colony Congestion Management Process (CMP) Data Collection

▪ Results of October 2023 Data Collection

Shawn Bailey provided the results of the October 2023 Data Collection.

Between October 24th and 26th, members of Old Colony Planning Council's Transportation Department conducted its bi-annual Congestion Management Process (CMP) data collection at 15 MBTA Commuter Rail stations (including the BAT Centre's parking garage which provides parking for the Brockton station) and five MassDOT Park & Ride lots. At the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, utilization at the visited facilities was extremely low. Over time, the utilization has increased each time (with one exception for Commuter Rail and Park & Ride). Overall utilization is between 55-80% of pre-pandemic levels, and for the first time since October 2019, one location surpassed the 85% utilized congested threshold.

All 15 Commuter Rail stations experienced an increase of utilization from the April 2023 count, ranging from 7.9% higher utilization at the Brockton station (BAT Garage) to 187.3% higher at the Bridgewater station. Before the pandemic, all 15 stations yielded vehicle totals in the hundreds. The April 2023 data collection saw only six stations under 100 vehicles; October 2023 saw only one station under 100 vehicles. The Canton Junction station yielded 708 vehicles, making the lot 92.9% utilized and the first station since the October 2019 count to be at least 85% utilized. Even with people working remotely or hybrid, there is a clear increase in workers utilizing the commuter rail.

The Park & Ride lots had a different result; only three of the five lots experienced an increase and one of the decreases was by only two vehicles (the Bridgewater lot). The West Bridgewater lot, which historically has been well utilized, had over 100 vehicles for the third time since the pandemic. There have been multiple changes to the bus service for this lot since the pandemic, with Bloom, Plymouth & Brockton, and now Peter Pan (As of August 7th). It is unclear if that is a factor in the increases and decreases in utilization.

Chairperson O'Toole stated that it is really good news that the numbers are soaring, and people are taking the train to their destinations.

Glenn Geiler commented that BAT is adding additional bike racks at the BAT Centre. BAT is curious as to any electric vehicle information in future reports.

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8. Other Business and Public Comment

A. Community Local Technical Assistance Studies

Bill McNulty reported on the following items:

The Old Colony Planning Council has completed a study of pedestrian activity at the intersection of Main Street and Elm Street. The data has been distributed to the Town.

The Town of Plympton has requested a traffic study of truck traffic and potential HCVE zones on several roadways in the Town. This data collection is planned for Spring 2024.

Project Status Updates

Bridgewater

- Traffic Counts on Multiple Roadways
Data collection planned.

Brockton

- Traffic Study of Crescent Street (Route 27) at Quincy Street and Massasoit Boulevard
Congestion and safety performance analysis underway.

Duxbury

- Road Safety Audit of Halls Coner
Report in Development.

Plympton

- Heavy Commercial Vehicle Exclusion Zone Study for Multiple Roadways
Data collection planned for Spring 2024.

Stoughton

- Traffic Study and Road Safety Audit of Plain Street Corridor
OCPC coordinating with Town to schedule RSA.

Whitman

- Traffic Study of Auburn Street (Route 14)
Data collection planned for Fall 2023.

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B. Staff Reviews on ENFs, EIRs, and NPCs

Kyle Mowatt summarized the Environmental Notification Forms (ENFs), Environmental Impact Reports (EIRs), Notices of Project Changes (NPCs), and Certificates for projects within the OCPC region that are undergoing Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) Office review.

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

There are no new projects at this time.

C. Regional Concerns and Local Community Transportation Issues

Dan Salvucci brought up the issue of emergency response on the SCR. He contacted his son who is a paramedic. He stated that it is very difficult to get someone off the train who has a medical issue safely. We need to make sure that fire departments have equipment to deal with medical emergencies on trains.

Bruce Hughes inquired about Washington Street in Abington. John Stone stated that it should be done by the end of next week aside from some punch list items.

Al DeGirolamo stated that Senator Brady would like to get involved with making sure fire departments have the proper equipment for taking care of emergencies on trains. There may be a way to generate a grant program to fire companies to acquire the equipment. What equipment is needed is knowledge we need to acquire.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle Mowatt

Kyle Mowatt

Senior Transportation Planner

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List of Documents for November 2, 2023 Old Colony JTC Meeting

- Minutes of the October 5, 2023 Old Colony JTC Meeting
- Staff Report for November 2, 2023, Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Items
- Presentation on South Coast Rail (SCR) Phase 1
- Presentation on Old Colony Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Vision Zero Plan
- Presentation on Old Colony Congestion Management Process (CMP) Data Collection

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Agenda Item 4
Communications

Summary

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Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Webinar for Municipalities

Please join Safe Routes to School (SRTS) on Wednesday, **January 24, 2024**, from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. for an hour-long webinar with time for questions at the end. Municipal staff (transportation/mobility, public works, planning, police department, public health, etc.), SRTS task force members, SRTS School and Alliance Partners, and anyone interested in learning about the whole community approach to SRTS are encouraged to attend. For more information, please visit:

<https://www.mass.gov/event/safe-routes-to-school-webinar-for-municipalities-2024-01-24t120000-0500-2024-01-24t130000-0500>

FY 2024 Regional Transit Innovation Grant

Through the state budgeting process, MassDOT has available \$15 million in discretionary operating and capital funding to award to transit providers as Transit Innovation Grants. Awards will be made on a competitive basis with funding provided contractually. At least 25 percent of the funding (\$3,750,000) will be reserved for rural areas. Successful applicants will be required to report quarterly on their progress for the duration of the grant, as well as provide a one-page summary report of accomplishments at the end of the grant.

Any transit provider providing public transportation in Massachusetts is eligible. To receive an award, applicants must be registered with SAM.gov in active status. Organizations must be registered vendors of the Commonwealth.

Eligible Project Types

MassDOT is looking to fund projects that include, but are not limited to, the following categories and subcategories:

1. Enhancing and Expanding Transit Service

- a. New and innovative service delivery models - pilot a new approach that may provide better or more cost-effective service for your riders and service area.
- b. Expanded service hours or weekend service - expand service temporally to better serve rider needs.
- c. Rural connectivity - provides transit in a rural area underserved by current options.

- d. Connectivity improvements across regional transit authority service areas - expand options for riders looking to travel from one transit authority service area to another.
- e. Expanding mobility for low-income individuals and any other transit dependent populations

2. Transit Electrification

- a. Small grants related to electrification of fleets, for expenses not covered by other funding streams.

3. Other

Operating and capital expenses are eligible in each category.

Projects should not duplicate or compete with existing transit services already funded through MassDOT. Coordinating with and complementing existing services is encouraged.

Applications are due by **January 19, 2024**. For more information, please visit: <https://www.mass.gov/how-to/regional-transit-innovation-grant>

The 2024 MassTrails Grant Application period is NOW OPEN! Applications are due Thursday, February 1, 2024.

MassTrails provides grants to support recreational trail and shared-use pathway projects across the Commonwealth. The award maximum depends on the project type and needs and is generally \$100,000 for recreational trails projects and up to \$500,000 for shared-use path projects demonstrating critical network connections of regional or statewide significance.

Eligible grant activities include project development, design, engineering, permitting, construction, and maintenance of recreational trails, shared-use pathways, and the amenities that support trails.

MassTrails grants are REIMBURSEMENT grants, meaning grantees must first pay for expenditures and then submit for reimbursement using the required documentation.

MassTrails grants are MATCHING grants and require that proponents provide a minimum of 20% of the total project cost.

Eligible projects require documented landowner permission submitted with the application and are subject to all applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations.

For more information, please visit: <https://www.mass.gov/guides/masstrails-grants>



News from your friends at MassTrails

FREE TRAIL PLANNING WEBINAR!

Trail Planning and Design: Foundations of Success

Join us this Thursday as we sponsor the latest free learning session from American Trails' *Advancing Trails Webinar Series*.

This webinar will review several common approaches and technologies for trail planning and design projects as well as provide attendees with real world examples.

Date and Time: **Thursday, December 7 from 1 - 2 pm EST**

To reserve your spot, please register in advance at:

www.americantrails.org/training/trail-planning-and-design-foundations-of-success

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THURSDAY NIGHT!

AMPO NOFO Tracker

The Association of Metropolitan Planning Organization's (AMPO) live **Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Tracker** tool identifies and tracks federal funding opportunities from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)/Investment, Infrastructure, and Jobs Act (IIJA) that are most relevant to Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs). The NOFO Tracker is updated weekly with critical information on upcoming federal funding opportunities. Users are able to use the filter function to sort programs by application deadline, eligibility, category, agency, cost-share requirements and more. Users are also able to view the Tracker in different formats.

AMPO's NOFO Tracker is available at:

<https://ampo.org/resources-publications/ampo-nofo-tracker/>

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Brockton Area Transit (BAT)

Summary

Brockton Area Transit to provide report.

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Agenda Item 5B

Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority (GATRA)

Summary

Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority to provide report.

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South Coast Rail Project

Summary

The South Coast Rail (SCR) project will restore commuter rail service between Boston and southeastern Massachusetts by spring/summer 2024. 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 spring/summer 2024.

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 November 2023, work conducted involved fencing installation in seven communities; emergency evacuation training drill at the Whale's Tooth parking lot in New Bedford; construction of a pedestrian bridge over Route 18 in New Bedford; daytime sidewalk, paving, and curb work at two intersections in New Bedford; road closure/detour and 24-hour railroad crossing work in Berkley and Taunton; daytime road, sidewalk, and traffic signal work in New Bedford; and signal system installation and testing in seven communities.

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 from Berkley to Fall River. There was also transportation of soil by truck to designated project sites.

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

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Agenda Item 6A

FFY 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
Implementation

- Amendment 1 – Update and Report on MPO Endorsement
- Adjustment 1 – Summary and Report on MPO Endorsement

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.

Amendment 1, as follows, was endorsed by the Old Colony MPO on November 21, 2023.:

FFY 2024

Transit

- **BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT) PURCHASE OF MISCELLANEOUS POWER END ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT**
 - Total Project Cost Was \$400,000

- Action Following Public Review and Comment: Remove from Amendment 1. BAT no longer intends to program.
- BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT – PURCHASE OF BATTERY-ELECTRIC BUSES AND CHARGING EQUIPMENT
 - ADDING PROJECT
 - FUNDING: FTA NO OR LOW EMISSION VEHICLE PROGRAM
 - Federal Award: \$10,694,736.
 - Total Project Cost with State Match: \$17,144,736
 - Action Following Public Review and Comment: Adjust project cost, and break into two components as follows:

Charging Equipment and Training					
	2024	2025	2026	2027	Source
BAT - PURCHASE MISC ELEC/POWER EQUIP	\$ 3,280,000				Federal
BAT - PURCHASE MISC ELEC/POWER EQUIP		\$ 700,000			State
BAT - PURCHASE MISC ELEC/POWER EQUIP			\$ 750,000		State
BAT - PURCHASE MISC ELEC/POWER EQUIP				\$ 700,000	State
			Total:	\$ 5,430,000	
Vehicle Purchases (Fleet Replacement)					
	2024	2025	2026	2027	Source
BAT - Buy Replacement 40-ft Bus Electric (7)	\$ 7,414,736				Federal
BAT - BUY REPLACEMENT 40-FT BUS ELECTRIC (5)			\$ 3,050,000		State
BAT - BUY REPLACEMENT 40-FT BUS ELECTRIC (2)				\$ 1,250,000	State
			Total:	\$ 11,714,736	

BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW (BIL) DISCRETIONARY GRANTS – PROGRAMMED IN FFY 2024 and FFY 2025

National Culvert Removal Restoration and Replacement Grant Program

- PLYMOUTH – TOWN BROOK STREAM RESTORATION: DEEP WATER CULVERT REPLACEMENT
 - ADDING PROJECT – REVISED EXPECTED YEAR OF PROGRAMMING 2025 (WAS 2024)
 - Federal Award: \$2,000,000.
 - Revised Total Project Cost with State Match: \$2,800,000

Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant Program

- BROCKTON – DOWNTOWN BROCKTON INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
 - ADDING PROJECT
 - Awarded: \$7,843,750.

Adjustment 1, as follows, was endorsed by the Old Colony MPO on November 21, 2023.:

Adjustment 1 includes the following changes (These amounts are the State Match to FY 2023 Community Transit Grant Projects):

FFY 2024

- BROCKTON AREA ARC: BUY VAN FOR SERVICE EXPANSION
 - Massachusetts Community Transit Grant (CTG)
 - Awarded Amount: \$55,863

- BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT) BUY REPLACEMENT TYPE E2b VANS
 - Massachusetts Community Transit Grant (CTG)
 - Awarded Amount: \$63,600

- BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT) BUY REPLACEMENT TYPE Ca VAN
 - Massachusetts Community Transit Grant (CTG)
 - Awarded Amount: \$24,200

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Agenda Item 7A
Old Colony FFY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement
Program (TIP) Development
Development Timeline and Universe of Projects

Summary

The development of the FFY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is underway. The TIP serves as a prioritized listing of highway, bridge, and transit projects for implementation during the next five (5) federal fiscal years that reflect the needs of the regional transportation system. In addition, the TIP is fiscally constrained based on expected federal funding, and it contains projects that are consistent with the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).

Consultation with project proponents and MassDOT is scheduled to take place through January and February 2024. It is expected that the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization will review presented programming scenarios in March 2024, and select a preferred set of projects. A public review and comment period of the TIP is anticipated for April 2024, with parental endorsement in May.

ABINGTON

- ABINGTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT HANCOCK STREET AND CHESTNUT STREET (609440)
 - Programmed in FFY 2026.
 - MassDOT comments on the 25% Package returned to the Design Engineer (as of 9/6/2021).
 - Cost Estimate is \$4,798,809.

- ABINGTON & BROCKTON - PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 123 (609520)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - comments on the 25% Package returned to the Design Engineer (as of 5/18/2022).
 - Cost Estimate is \$20,029,176.

- ABINGTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, RANDOLPH STREET AND RICHARD A. FITTS DRIVE (ROUTE 139) AT CHESTNUT STREET AND OLD RANDOLPH STREET (612525)
 - Currently programmed in FFY 2027.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$3,786,625.

- ABINGTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, ROUTE 18 (BEDFORD STREET) AT ROUTE 123 (BROCKTON AVENUE) (612770)

- Currently programmed in FFY 2028.
- Project is in the preliminary design phase.
- Cost Estimate is \$5,387,025

AVON

- AVON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 28, SPRING STREET AND HARRISON BOULEVARD (611979)
 - 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.
- AVON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 28 (610804)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$4,002,001.

BROCKTON

- BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WORK AT CENTRE STREET (ROUTE 123), CARY STREET, AND LYMAN STREET (609410)
 - Programmed in FFY 2024.

- PS&E received by MassDOT (9/27/2023).
- Cost Estimate is \$3,058,058.

- BROCKTON - ROUTE 123 (CENTRE STREET) AT PLYMOUTH STREET SIGNALIZATION AND GEOMETRIC IMPROVEMENTS (609052)
 - Programmed in FFY 2024.
 - 25% Package Resubmission received by MassDOT (3/13/2023).
 - Cost Estimate is \$2,792,790.

- BROCKTON - IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WORK ON CRESCENT STREET (ROUTE 27), INCLUDING REPLACEMENT OF GROVE STREET BRIDGE, B-25-005, OVER SALISBURY PLAIN RIVER (607818)
 - Currently Programmed in FFY 2025.
 - 25% Package Resubmission received by MassDOT (6/12/2023).
 - Cost Estimate is \$6,196,320.

- BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS @ CRESCENT STREET (ROUTE 27)/ QUINCY STREET/ MASSASOIT BOULEVARD (606143)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - 25% Package received by MassDOT (5/4/2015).
 - Cost Estimate is \$5,300,800

- ABINGTON & BROCKTON - PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 123 (609520)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - comments on the 25% Package returned to the Design Engineer (as of 5/18/2022).
 - Cost Estimate is \$20,029,176.

- BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 123 (BELMONT STREET), PEARL STREET AND STONEHILL STREET (612262)
 - Currently Programmed in FFY 2028.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$ 7,465,375.

- BROCKTON - IMPROVEMENTS ON FOREST AVENUE, FROM WEST STREET TO BREER STREET (612526)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$8,778,450.

DUXBURY

- KINGSTON-DUXBURY - SIGNAL INSTALLATION @ ROUTE 3 (NB & SB) RAMPS & ROUTE 3A (TREMONT STREET) (606002)
 - Programmed in FFY 2026.

- Project is in the preliminary design phase.
- Cost Estimate is \$2,400,000.
- DUXBURY – BRIDGE REPLACEMENT – POWDER POINT AVENUE OVER DUXBURY BAY (612006)
 - Advance Construction in multiple years, currently programmed to begin FFY 2027.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$70,150,000.

DUXBURY – INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 53 AND FRANKLIN STREET (613269)

- Currently Not Programmed.
- Approved by PRC June 1, 2023
- Project is in the preliminary design phase.
- Cost Estimate is \$7,279,150.

EAST BRIDGEWATER

- EAST BRIDGEWATER - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT BEDFORD STREET (ROUTE 18), WEST STREET (ROUTE 106) AND EAST STREET (611968)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - 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.
- EAST BRIDGEWATER – BRIDGE REPLACEMENT POND STREET OVER SATUCKET RIVER (613806)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Approved by PRC June 1, 2023
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$1,197,225.

EASTON

- EASTON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138 INCLUDING INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 138 (WASHINGTON STREET) AND ELM STREET (608195)
 - Programmed in FFY 2025.
 - 100% Comments Sent to Design Engineer (10/10/2023).
 - Cost Estimate is \$7,103,967.
- 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 \$4,330,240.
- EASTON - IMPROVEMENTS ON FOUNDRY STREET (ROUTE 106/123) (612269)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$ 14,315,773.
- EASTON - RECONSTRUCTION AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTES 138 AND 123, FROM BELMONT STREET TO DEPOT STREET (612617)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$13,437,675
- EASTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 138 AND TURNPIKE STREET, AT ROUTE 138 AND PURCHASE STREET, AT TURNPIKE STREET AND PURCHASE STREET (612975)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$7,428,625

HANOVER

- HANOVER – CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 139 (HANOVER STREET) AT MAIN STREET, CENTER STREET, AND SILVER STREET (612769)
 - Currently programmed in FFY 2028.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$6,156,600

- HANOVER –CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 139 (HANOVER STREET) AT MAIN STREET, CENTER STREET, AND SILVER STREET (613559)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Approved by PRC October 12, 2023
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$5,968,600

HANSON

- HANSON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 14 (MAQUAN STREET), FROM THE PEMBROKE T.L. TO INDIAN HEAD STREET AND RELATED WORK (608506) AC Phase 1 and 2
 - Programmed in FFY 2027

- MassDOT comments on the 25% Package returned to the Design Engineer (5/7/2020).
- Subsurface Utility Engineering (SUE) to be conducted.
- Cost estimate is \$10,311,020).

KINGSTON

- 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.
- KINGSTON-DUXBURY - SIGNAL INSTALLATION @ ROUTE 3 (NB & SB) RAMPS & ROUTE 3A (TREMONT STREET) (606002)
 - Programmed in FFY 2026.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$2,400,000.

PLYMPTON

- PLYMPTON - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, WINNETUXET ROAD OVER WINNETUXET RIVER (609435)

- Programmed in FFY 2024.
- 75% Package Received by MassDOT (as of 10/19/2023).
- Cost Estimate is \$1,661,593.

STOUGHTON

- STOUGHTON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138, FROM 300 FEET NORTH OF CHARLES AVENUE TO LINCOLN STREET (PHASE 1)
 - Programmed in FFY 2023 and FFY 2024.
 - Cost Estimate is \$11,281,679).
- STOUGHTON- CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138, FROM CANTON T.L. TO CHARLES AVENUE (PHASE 2) (613358)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Approved by PRC June 1, 2023.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$6,058,600.
- 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.
 - Design Public Hearing Held on June 16, 2022.

- Cost Estimate is \$42,975,486.
- STOUGHTON - CANTON STREET (ROUTE 27) & SCHOOL STREET SIGNALIZATION AND GEOMETRIC IMPROVEMENTS (611981)
 - Programmed in FFY 2028.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$2,300,000.
- STOUGHTON- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 27 (PARK STREET) AND TURNPIKE STREET (613277)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Approved by PRC June 1, 2023.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$3,264,123.
- STOUGHTON- BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 27 (PARK STREET) (613287)
 - Currently not programmed.
 - Approved by PRC June 1, 2023.
 - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
 - Cost Estimate is \$6,148,943.

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Agenda Item 7B
Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
Transportation Evaluation Criteria (TEC)
• Presentation and Discussion

Summary

An updated set of Transportation Evaluation Criteria (TIP), used in the process of developing the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), has been developed for the Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee's review and potential endorsement by the Metropolitan Planning Commission,

During TIP development, current and proposed projects are evaluated using Transportation Evaluation Criteria (TEC) and recommended to the Old Colony MPO for consideration and determination of a Preferred Set of Projects. The MPO staff uses the Transportation Evaluation Criteria results, as well as readiness information, available funding, and other pertinent information to develop a Draft TIP. The Old Colony MPO releases the Draft TIP for a 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period. Following the 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period,

the Old Colony MPO considers the comments received, and then endorses the TIP if there are no significant changes.

The proposed updated Transportation Evaluation Criteria replaces the 18-point system used by Old Colony Planning Council in recent years with a 100-point system that scores projects by specific defined criteria in the following categories:

- System Preservation – 30 Points
- Safety – 30 Points
- Mobility – 10 Points
- Economic Impact – 10 Points
- Environmental and Health Impact – 10 Points
- Community Support and Consistency with Policy – 10 Points

The updated Transportation Evaluation Criteria is designed to be clearly designed and fully transparent, considering all modes of transportation and users in transportation projects. They also take into consideration recent initiatives and policies, such as Complete Streets and MPO adopted Performance Targets.

For more information on the Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Transportation Evaluation Criteria, please contact Bill McNulty at wmcnulty@ocpcrpa.org.

Draft Re-Visioned Old Colony TIP TEC Scoring Criteria – December 2023

Category	Evaluation Criterion	Total Potential Points
System Preservation / State of Good Repair	Primary Asset Condition Enhancements to Secondary Assets Use of Modern Technology to Improve Efficiency Incorporates Transit Elements into Design	30
Safety	Motorist crash history and anticipated improvement Non-Motorist crash history and anticipated improvement Proven Safety Measures	30
Mobility	Existing Motorist Congestion Effect on Mobility and Accommodation for Non-Motorists Effect on System Connectivity and Access	10
Economic Impact	Access to or within a regionally designated economic development area Access to or within a business district Connectivity between housing, employment, and commerce Effect on freight network	10
Environmental Effect	Effect on Wetlands, Wildlife or Other Natural Resources Protects or Enhances Water Quality by Improving Stormwater Management Effect on air quality and GHG emissions Improves Coastal Resiliency Enhances local open space Incorporates Healthy Transportation Options	10
Community Support and Consistency with Policy	Project has Community Support, Identified in Local Plans, and an Active Design Project Identified in Regional Plan and/or Consistent with Regional Policy Consistent with PM1, PM2, PM3, and/or TAM Project Supports Federal and State Policy Equity	10
Total Possible Score		100

System preservation and Modernization Scoring

System Preservation Criterion	Factor	Points
Primary asset condition / effect on condition	Poor or failing / substantial improvement	12
	Fair / moderate improvement	8
	Good / minor improvement	4
	Excellent / no improvement	0
Potential Primary Asset Points		12
Enhancements to Secondary Assets (Sidewalks, etc.)	Poor or failing / substantial improvement	8
	Fair / moderate improvement	5
	Good / minor improvement	2
	Excellent / no improvement	0
Potential Secondary Asset Points		8
Use of modern technology to improve efficiency	Use of innovative technology and/or incorporation of traffic counting technology	5
	Improvement in technology to current best practices	2
	Maintain/repair existing technology	1
	Not applicable	0
Potential Modern Technology Points		5
Incorporates transit elements into design	Incorporates significant improvements to transit infrastructure, accessibility and/or operational	5
	Incorporates minor transit improvements	3
	Improves operations on a transit route	1
	No related improvements to transit access/operations are expected	0
Potential Transit Elements Points		5
Total Potential System Preservation and Modernization Scoring		30

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Safety Scoring

Safety Criterion	Factor	Points
Motorist crash history and anticipated safety impact	HSIP Eligible Location	10
	Location is Reginal Top 100 High Crash Location or engaged in a safety plan and project will improve motorist safety	7
	Demonstrated safety problem and safety improvement is anticipated with project	4
	No demonstrated safety problem, but safety improvement is anticipated with project	3
	No Safety Improvement Anticipated	0
	Project may adversely effect safety	-1
Potential Motorist Safety Points		10
Non-Motorist crash history and anticipated safety impact	HSIP Bicycle or Pedestrian Cluster	10
	Location is Reginal Top 100 High Crash Location or engaged in a safety plan and project will improve non-motorist safety	7
	Demonstrated safety problem and non-motorist safety improvement is anticipated with	4
	No demonstrated crash problem, but project is anticipated to improve non-motorist safety	3
	No safety improvement anticipated	0
	The project many adversely affect non-motorist safety	-1
Potential Non-Motorist Safety Points		10
Systematic Safety Improvements/Proven Safety Countermeasures	Characteristics of the location make it a primary risk location and the project will implement a proven safety countermeasure	10
	Characteristics of the location make it a secondary risk location and the project will implement a proven safety countermeasure	
	While not a primary or secondary risk location, the location provides access to vulnerable roadway users, such as schools, transit stops and senior destinations and the project will implement a proven safety countermeasure	7
	No safety improvement anticipated	
	While not a primary or secondary risk location, the location provides access to vulnerable roadway users, such as schools, transit stops and senior destinations and the project will implement a proven safety countermeasure	4
No safety improvement anticipated	0	
Potential Systematic Safety Improvement Points		10
TOTAL POTENTIAL SAFETY SCORING		30

Mobility Scoring

Mobility Criterion	Factor	Points
Existing motorist congestion / effect on motorist congestion	Location identified in the CMP network/ substantial improvement	4
	Significant existing / substantial improvement	3
	Significant existing / moderate or minor improvement	2
	Minimal existing / minor improvement	1
	No Change	0
	Negative effect	-1
Potential Motorist Congestion Points		4
Effect on mobility / accommodation of non-motorists	Substantial improvement	3
	Moderate improvement	2
	Minimal improvement	1
	No effect for non-motorists	0
	Negative effect on mobility / accommodation	-1
Potential Non-Motorist Mobility Points		3
Effect on connectivity / access (emphasis placed on key emergency and evacuation reoutes)	Substantial improvement to connectivity through the corridor	3
	Moderate improvement to connectivity	2
	Minimal effect on connectivity	1
	No effect on connectivity	0
	Negative effect on connectivity	-1
Potential Connectivity and Access Points		3
TOTAL POTENTIAL MOBILITY SCORING		10

Economic Development Scoring

Economic Criterion	Factor	Points
Effect on access to or within a regionally-designated economic development area	Substantial improvement	3
	Moderate improvement	2
	Minor improvement	1
	No effect	0
	Negative effect	-1
Potential Points		3
Effect on access to or within a locally-designated business district	Substantial or moderate improvement	2
	Minor improvement	1
	No effect	0
	Negative effect	-1
Potential Points		2
Effect on connections between housing, job, cultural centers, and essential services within and beyond the region	Substantial improvement	3
	Moderate improvement	2
	Minor improvement	1
	No effect	0
	Negative effect	-1
Potential Points		3
Effect on the ability of the region's freight network to handle current and future freight	Substantial or moderate improvement	2
	Minor improvement	1
	No effect	0
	Negative effect	-1
Potential Points		2
TOTAL POTENTIAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SCORING		10

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Environmental and Health Scoring

Environmental and Health Criterion	Factor	Points
Effect on wetlands, wildlife, or other resource protection	Anticipated improvement	2
	Minor contribution to preservation	1
	No anticipated impact or negative impacts adequately mitigated	0
	Negative impact	-1
Potential Points		2
Effect on water quality through stormwater management and treatment with an emphasis on for nitrogen	Anticipated improvement in stormwater management and treatment	2
	Anticipated improvement in stormwater management	1
	No anticipated impact or negative impacts adequately mitigated	0
	Negative impact	-1
Potential Points		2
Effect on air quality / GHG emission	Significant, quantifiable decrease in GHG anticipated	2
	Minor, quantifiable or qualitative decrease in GHG anticipated	1
	No effect on GHG anticipated	0
	Anticipated increase in GHG	-1
Potential Points		2
Coastal Resiliency / Sea Level Rise Vulnerability / Low Lying Roads	Project vulnerable area with resilient design	2
	Project is not in a vulnerable area but includes with resilient design elements	1
	Project not in vulnerable area and not special consideration given to resilient design	0
	Project in a vulnerable area and is not a resilient design	-1
Potential Points		2
Effect on cultural resources or open space	Anticipated improvement	1
	No anticipated impact or negative impacts adequately mitigated	0
	Negative impact	-1
Potential Points		1
Healthy Transportation Options	Increase in healthy transportation options	1
	No anticipated impact or negative impacts adequately mitigated	0
	Negative impact	-1
Potential Points		1
Total Potential Environmental and Health Scoring		10

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Policy and Support Scoring

Policy and Support Criterion	Factor	Points
Local Plans / Community Support	Stated Support for Project by Officials and Project Has Active Design	3
	Stated Support but No Active Design	2
	Project identified in existing local plan	1
	Neutral	0
	Project has community opposition	-1
Potential Points		3
Project identified in Regional Plan and/or Consistent with Regional Policy	Project specifically identified in Regional Plan	2
	Project Supports Regional Plan Policies, including PM1, PM2, PM3, and	1
	Neutral	0
	Inconsistent with Regional Plan and Policies	-1
Potential Points		2
Project supports Federal or State (including MassDOT) policies and goals not accounted for in other criteria	Project specifically identified in a existing Federal or State Plan	2
	Consistent with Federal or State Policies or Principles	1
	Neutral	0
	Inconsistent with Federal or State Policies or Principles	-1
Potential Points		2
Equity	Project is located within an Environmental Justice area and will have a positive impact on population	3
	Project is of a regional significance that will serve individuals and improve access for Environmental Justice populations	1
	Project is isolated and not located within or adjacent to an Environmental Justice area	0
	Project in a vulnerable area and is not a resilient design	-1
	Potential Points	
Total Potential Policy and Support Scoring		10

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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 2024 Unified Planning Work Program, Old Colony Planning Council provides local traffic planning and technical analysis services to its member communities.

The Old Colony Planning Council has completed the following traffic studies. Data and findings have been distributed to the municipalities along with MassDOT and the Federal highway Administration:

- **Brockton:** Traffic Study of Crescent Street (Route 27) at Quincy Street and Massasoit Boulevard
- **Duxbury:** Halls Corner Road Safety Audit
- **Stoughton:** Plain Street Corridor Road Safety Audit
- **Whitman:** Auburn Street (Route 14) Traffic Study

Project Status Updates

Bridgewater

- Traffic Counts on Multiple Roadways
Data collection planned.

Plympton

- Heavy Commercial Vehicle Exclusion Zone Study for Multiple Roadways
Data collection planned for Spring 2024.

Stoughton

- Traffic Study and Road Safety Audit of Pine Street Corridor
Road Safety Audit scheduled for December 2023.

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 (774) 539-5103.

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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

New Projects

None

Certificates

EEA #16558 – Lake Shore Center Phase 4 – Bridgewater
Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Report

The Certificate states that this project adequately and properly complies with MEPA.

Public Notices

Notice of Ecological Restoration Project – Kingston

This project will improve the passage of fish species in the Jones River via a permanent fishway at Forge Pond Dam and associated dredging of a fish passage channel through Forge Pond into Silver Lake in Kingston, MA.

Notice of Application for a 401 Water Quality Certificates – Hanson

This application for a 401 Water Quality Certificate is for the construction of three single-family dwellings off Lakeside Road in Hanson.

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Agenda Item 8C

Regional Concerns and Local Community Transportation Issues

Summary

Regional Concerns and Local Community Transportation Issues.

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Adjournment

Summary

Adjournment.