

# OLD COLONY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

Minutes of the Old Colony MPO Virtual Meeting, April 16, 2024 - 10:00 A.M., Held Via Zoom

## Roll Call/Attendance

<u>Members/Designees</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Derek Krevat	Monica Tibbits-Nutt, Secretary, MassDOT	Present
Richard Bilski	Jonathan Gulliver, Administrator, MassDOT Highway Division	Present
John Messia	Mayor Robert Sullivan, City of Brockton	Present
James Downey	Richard J. Quintal, Jr., Town of Plymouth	Present
Michael Perez	Town of West Bridgewater - Representing Avon, East Bridgewater, Halifax, Hanover, Hanson, Kingston, Plympton, and West Bridgewater	Present
Daniel Salvucci	Town of Whitman - Representing Abington, Bridgewater, Duxbury, Easton, Pembroke, Stoughton, and Whitman	Present
Michael Lambert	Brockton Area Transit (BAT)	Present
Rebecca Coletta	Old Colony Planning Council	Present

## Ex-Officio Members

Joi Singh	FHWA	Absent
Kirstie Horstetter	Peter Bulter, FTA Regional Administrator, Region 1	Present
Noreen O'Toole	Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee	Absent

## Also Present

Kelly Forrester	BAT
Allison Shane	Duxbury
Mary Ellen DeFrias	GATRA
Steve Findlen	Howard Stein Hudson
Valerie Massard	Kingston
William Roth	Stoughton
Barbara Lachance	MassDOT District 5
Raissah Kouame	MassDOT
Alan Castaline	MBTA Advisory Board
Shawn Bailey	Old Colony Planning Council
Ray Guarino	Old Colony Planning Council
Charles Kilmer	Old Colony Planning Council
Guoqiang Li	Old Colony Planning Council
Bill McNulty	Old Colony Planning Council



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Mary Ellen DeFrias reported on the following items:

- As with BAT, GATRA is also monitoring the budget process at the State House and remains optimistic.
- GATRA has moved all of the scheduling to a new platform and has been receiving good feedback. This is something that will help GATRA to continue to grow in the future.
- GATRA is working with MassDOT and AECOM to revamp and update the ride match website. The new version is live with a cleaner design, fully integrated into google transit, and fully accessible.
- Next regional public meeting for service changes we would make on June 1, 2024 will be held on April 25, 2024.

## 6. FFY 2024-2028 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Adjustments and/ or Amendments

- **Amendment 3 (Brockton and Plympton Projects) - Review and Potential Release to Public Review and Comment Period**

Bill McNulty reported on the FFY 2024-2028 Old Colony TIP Amendment 3.

### FFY 2024

- BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT CENTRE STREET (ROUTE 123) AND PLYMOUTH STREET (609052)
  - Project will not be ready for advertisement in FFY 2024. Project will be moved to FFY 2025.
  - FORMER VALUE: \$2,792,790.
  - NEW FFY 2024 VALUE: \$0
- BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WORK AT CENTRE STREET (ROUTE 123), CARY STREET, AND LYMAN STREET (609410)
  - PROJECT COST INCREASE
  - FORMER VALUE: \$2,506,679.
  - NEW VALUE: \$3,379,840.
  - VARIANCE \$873,161.
- PLYMPTON - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, P-14-001 (445), WINNETUXET ROAD OVER WINNETUXET RIVER (609435)
  - PROJECT COST INCREASE
  - FORMER VALUE: \$1,236,628.
  - NEW VALUE: \$2,320,635
  - VARIANCE \$1,084,007.

A motion to release the FFY 2024-2028 Old Colony TIP Amendment 3 to a 21-day public review and comment period was made by Rebecca Coletta and seconded by Dan Salvucci. Members voted as follows:

Derek Krevat

Aye

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Richard Bilski	Aye
John Messia	Aye
James Downey	Aye
Michael Perez	Aye
Michael Lambert	Aye
Rebecca Coletta	Aye
Dan Salvucci	Aye

The motion passed.

## 7. FFY 2025-2029 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development

- **Review and Potential Release to Public Review and Comment Period**

Bill McNulty discussed the FFY 2025-2029 Old Colony TIP Development.

### FFY 2025 PROJECTS:

- BROCKTON - ROUTE 123 (CENTRE STREET) AT PLYMOUTH STREET SIGNALIZATION AND GEOMETRIC IMPROVEMENTS (609052)
  - Project is at 25% Design Stage.
  - Cost Estimate is \$2,792,790.
- EASTON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138 INCLUDING INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 138 (WASHINGTON STREET) AND ELM STREET (608195)
  - Project is at 100% Design Stage.
  - Cost Estimate is \$9,508,591.
- STOUGHTON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138 (613358) (PHASE 2) FROM CANTON TOWN LINE TO CHARLES AVENUE
  - Project is at 100% Design
  - Cost Estimate: \$9,206,820.

### FFY 2026 PROJECTS:

- ABINGTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT HANCOCK STREET AND CHESTNUT STREET (609440)
  - Project is at 25% Design Stage.
  - Cost Estimate is \$4,798,810.
- AVON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 28, SPRING STREET AND HARRISON BOULEVARD (611979)
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$5,706,920.

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- BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT LYMAN STREET/ GROVE STREET/ SUMMER STREET & REPLACEMENT OF GROVE STREET BRIDGE, B-25-005, OVER SALISBURY PLAIN RIVER (607818)
  - Project is at 25% Design Stage.
  - Cost Estimate is \$6,196,320.

## FFY 2027 PROJECTS:

- ABINGTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, RANDOLPH STREET AND RICHARD A. FITTS DRIVE (ROUTE 139) AT CHESTNUT STREET AND OLD RANDOLPH STREET (612525)
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$3,786,625.
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- DUXBURY - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT - POWDER POINT AVENUE OVER DUXBURY BAY (612006)
  - Advance Construction in multiple phases beginning in FFY 2027.
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Total Cost Estimate is \$86,128,000.
- KINGSTON-DUXBURY – INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 3 RAMPS (NB/SB) AND ROUTE 3A (TREMONT STREET) (606002)
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$3,051,887.

## FFY 2028 PROJECTS:

- ABINGTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, ROUTE 18 (BEDFORD STREET) AT ROUTE 123 (BROCKTON AVENUE) (612770)
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$5,387,025.
- BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 123 (BELMONT STREET), PEARL STREET, AND STONEHILL STREET (612262)
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$7,465,375.
- DUXBURY - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT - POWDER POINT AVENUE OVER DUXBURY BAY (612006)
  - Advance Construction in multiple phases beginning in FFY 2027.
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Total Cost Estimate is \$86,128,000.
- DUXBURY - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 53 AND FRANKLIN STREET (613269)
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$7,279,150.

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- HANOVER - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 139 (HANOVER STREET), MAIN STREET, CENTER STREET, AND SILVER STREET (612769)
  - Project is IN the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$6,156,000.
- KINGSTON - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, K-01-014, SMITHS LANE OVER ROUTE 3 (PILGRIM HIGHWAY) (608615)
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$12,788,000.
- STOUGHTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT CANTON STREET (ROUTE 27), SCHOOL STREET AND SUMMER STREET (611981)
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$4,244,929.

### FFY 2029 PROJECTS:

- DUXBURY - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT - POWDER POINT AVENUE OVER DUXBURY BAY (612006)
  - Advance Construction in multiple phases beginning in FFY 2027.
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Total Cost Estimate is \$86,128,000.
- EAST BRIDGEWATER - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 18 (NORTH BEDFORD STREET) AND HIGHLAND STREET (611976)
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Total Cost Estimate is \$3,500,000.
- EAST BRIDGEWATER - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, E-01-010 (BVT) POND STREET OVER SATUCKET RIVER (613306)
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Total Cost Estimate is \$1,197,125.
- HANOVER - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT COLUMBIA ROAD (ROUTE 53/139) AND BROADWAY (613599)
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Total Cost Estimate is \$5,938,600.
- STOUGHTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 27 (PARK STREET) AND TURNPIKE STREET (613277)
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Total Cost Estimate is \$3,264,123.

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- WEST BRIDGEWATER - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, W-18-004, FOREST STREET OVER TOWN RIVER (613132)
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Total Cost Estimate is \$4,380,900.

A motion to release the Draft FFY 2025-2029 Old Colony TIP to a 21-day public review and comment period was made by Dan Salvucci and seconded by Rebecca Coletta. Members voted as follows:

Derek Krevat	Aye
Richard Bilski	Aye
John Messia	Aye
James Downey	Aye
Michael Perez	Aye
Michael Lambert	Aye
Rebecca Coletta	Aye
Dan Salvucci	Aye

The motion passed.

## 8. Old Colony MPO Self-Certification Compliance Statements

- **State Regulation 310 CMR 60.05: Global Warming Solutions Act Requirements for Transportation - Review and Potential Endorsement**
- **Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process - Review and Potential Endorsement**

Charles Kilmer introduced and reviewed the Old Colony MPO Self-Certification Compliance Statements. The statements are updated, reviewed, and approved.

### 310 CMR 60.05: Global Warming Solutions Act Requirements for Transportation

This will certify that the Transportation Improvement Program and Air Quality Conformity Determination for the Vision 2050 Old Colony Long Range Transportation Plan is in compliance with all applicable requirements in the State Regulation 310 CMR 60.05: Global Warming Solutions Act Requirements for Transportation. The regulation requires the MPO to:

1. 310 CMR 60.05(5)(a)1.: Evaluate and report the aggregate transportation GHG emissions impacts of RTPs and TIPs;
2. 310 CMR 60.05(5)(a)2.: In consultation with MassDOT, develop and utilize procedures to prioritize and select projects in RTPs and TIPs based on factors that include aggregate transportation GHG emissions impacts;
3. 310 CMR 60.05(5)(a)3.: Quantify net transportation GHG emissions impacts resulting from the projects in RTPs and TIPs and certify in a statement included with RTPs and TIPs pursuant to 23 CFR Part 450 that the MPO has made efforts to minimize aggregate transportation GHG emissions impacts;

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4. 310 CMR 60.05(5)(a)4.: Determine in consultation with the RPA that the appropriate planning assumptions used for transportation GHG emissions modeling are consistent with local land use policies, or that local authorities have made documented and credible commitments to establishing such consistency;
5. 310 CMR 60.05(8)(a)2.a.: Develop RTPs and TIPs;
6. 310 CMR 60.05(8)(a)2.b.: Ensure that RPAs are using appropriate planning assumptions;
7. 310 CMR 60.05(8)(a)2.c.: Perform regional aggregate transportation GHG emissions impact analysis of RTPs and TIPs;
8. 310 CMR 60.05(8)(a)2.d.: Calculate aggregate transportation GHG emissions impacts for RTPs and TIPs;
9. 310 CMR 60.05(8)(a)2.e.: Develop public consultation procedures for aggregate transportation GHG emissions impact reporting and related GWSA requirements consistent with current and approved regional public participation plans;
10. 310 CMR 60.05(8)(c): Prior to making final endorsements on the RTPs, TIPs, STIPs, and projects included in these plans, MassDOT and the MPOs shall include the aggregate transportation GHG emission impact assessment in RTPs, TIPs, and STIPs and provide an opportunity for public review and comment on the RTPs, TIPs, and STIPs; and
11. 310 CMR 60.05(8)(a)1.c.: After a final GHG assessment has been made by MassDOT and the MPOs, MassDOT and the MPOs shall submit MPO-endorsed RTPs, TIPs, STIPs or projects within 30 days of endorsement to the Department for review of the GHG assessment.

A motion to endorse State Regulation 310 CMR 60.05: Global Warming Solutions Act Requirements for Transportation was made by James Downey and seconded by Dan Salvucci. Members voted as follows:

Derek Krevat	Aye
Richard Bilski	Aye
John Messia	Aye
James Downey	Aye
Michael Perez	Aye
Michael Lambert	Aye
Rebecca Coletta	Aye
Dan Salvucci	Aye

### Certification of the Old Colony MPO Transportation Planning Process

The Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization certifies that its conduct of the metropolitan transportation planning process complies with all applicable requirements, which are listed below, and that this process includes activities to support the development and implementation of the Regional Long-Range Transportation Plan and Air Quality Conformity Determination, the Transportation Improvement Program and Air Quality Conformity Determination, and the Unified Planning Work Program.

1. 23 USC 134, 49 USC 5303, and this subpart.



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2. Sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 USC 7504, 7506 (c) and (d) and 40 CFR part 93 and for applicable State Implementation Plan projects.
3. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 USC 2000d-1) and 49 CFR Part 21.
4. 49 USC 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity.
5. Section 11101(e) of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) (Public Law 117-58) and 49 CFR Part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in U.S. DOT-funded projects.
6. 23 CFR part 230, regarding implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts.
7. The provisions of the US DOT and of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 USC 12101 et seq.) and 49 CFR Parts 27, 37, and 38.
8. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 USC 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance.
9. Section 324 of Title 23 USC regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender.
10. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC 794) and 49 CFR Part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.
11. Anti-lobbying restrictions found in 49 CFR Part 20. No appropriated funds may be expended by a recipient to influence or attempt to influence an officer or employee of any agency, or a member of Congress, in connection with the awarding of any federal contract.

A motion to endorse Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process was made by Dan Salvucci and seconded by James Downey. Members voted as follows:

Derek Krevat	Aye
Richard Bilski	Aye
John Messia	Aye
James Downey	Aye
Michael Perez	Aye
Michael Lambert	Aye
Rebecca Coletta	Aye
Dan Salvucci	Aye

### 9. Beyond Mobility, MassDOT's Next Statewide Long Range Transportation Plan

Derek Krevat presented Beyond Mobility, MassDOT's Next Statewide Long Range Transportation Plan.

MassDOT has announced that the full *Beyond Mobility* plan and the executive summary are now out for public comment and are available for review on the [plan website](#). The 30-day public comment period will end on June 4, 2024.

#### How to Provide Feedback

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Comments on any part of the document will be accepted during the comment period through the [online comment form](#). You may also email any comments to [BeyondMobility@dot.state.ma.us](mailto:BeyondMobility@dot.state.ma.us).

## Plan Structure

*Beyond Mobility* is structured by six Priority Areas: Safety, Reliability, Supporting Clean Transportation, Destination Connectivity, Resiliency, and Travel Experience. These Priority Areas, informed directly by over 5,000 pieces of unique public feedback received as part of the development of the plan, serve as the backbone of *Beyond Mobility*.

Over 100 action items across these priorities have been identified within the plan for MassDOT and the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) to take to achieve a safer and more equitable, reliable, and resilient network.

Dan Salvucci has seen an issue of bicyclists and pedestrians going around gates that come down at train crossings. There should be some education to teach people the right and wrong way of crossing. Derek Krevat noted that this is talked about within the plan and there is funding for at grade crossings.

Bill McNulty commended MassDOT on a great plan. It is a comprehensive plan with a lot of care and detail going into it. During public outreach process, this coincided with the regional plans across the commonwealth. A lot of coordination between regional plans and this plan went into it.

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

Charles Kilmer reported on the following items:

- 2024 MassDOT Transportation Innovation Conference - 4/30/24 & 5/1/2024, DCU Center, Worcester (Virtual Option Available)
- Cape Cod Bridge Program - Spring Outreach Events - April 25, 2024, May 13, 2024
- Massachusetts Project Intake Tool (MaPIT) 5.0 Virtual Classroom - May 7 and May 16 (each at 10 AM)
- Federal Funds & Infrastructure Office - Federal Funds Partnership Meeting is April 23, 2024 at 2:00 PM

Charles Kilmer circled back to the TIP Amendment 3 regarding looking for projects to utilize the un-allocated funds. OCPC will be reaching out to MassDOT District 5 to see if there is any opportunity for safety improvements and to use those funds for projects in Duxbury (Cox Corner) for a larger cost project (blinker, signal, enhanced improvements).

Rebecca Coletta asked if there is a project on Route 3A happening this year. Charles Kilmer stated that as follow up to a previous road safety audit, MassDOT is working to implement short term improvements utilizing mainly signage and pavement markings along the corridor.

## 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).

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## 2024

- May 21, 2024 at 10 AM
- June 18, 2024 at 10 AM
- July 16, 2024 at 10 AM
- August 20, 2024 at 10 AM
- September 17, 2024 at 10 AM
- October 15, 2024 at 10 AM
- November 19, 2024 at 10 AM
- December 17, 2024 at 10 AM

## 11. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Dan Salvucci and seconded by James Downey. Members voted as follows:

Stephen Woelfel	Aye
Barbara Lachance	Aye
John Messia	Aye
Lee Hartmann	Aye
Dan Salvucci	Aye
Michael Lambert	Aye
Rebecca Coletta	Aye

The meeting was adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kyle Mowatt*

Kyle Mowatt, Senior Transportation Planner

## List of Documents for the April 16, 2024 Old Colony MPO Meeting

- Minutes of March 19, 2024, Old Colony MPO Meeting
- Staff Reports for April 16, 2024 Old Colony MPO Meeting Agenda Items