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

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Thursday, April 4, 2024, 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 March 7, 2024 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
 - Informational Update on Adjustment 2
- 7. New Business
 - A. Development of FFY 2025 2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 - Review and Discussion of Preferred Set of Projects
 - B. Development of FFY 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
 - Discussion of Universe of Projects
 - C. Old Colony Traffic Volumes Report, 1993-2023
 - 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).

April 4, 2024 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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- "This meeting is accessible to people with disabilities. Microphones or telephones will be used by all speakers. Large- print materials are available upon advance request. If you would like either of these accommodations, please contact Mary Waldron at 508-583-1833."
- "The Notice of Nondiscrimination Rights and Protections to Beneficiaries with regard to the Federal "Title VI/ Nondiscrimination" Protections and the State Nondiscrimination Protections is posted in this meeting room and is available on the Old Colony Planning Council Website. Please contact Mary Waldron at 508-583-1833 for more information. Thank you."

April 4, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 2 Public Comments

Summary

Public comments.

April 4, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 3 Minutes of March 7, 2024 Meeting

Summary

Old Colony JTC to consider approval of March 7, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting Minutes.

Meeting Minutes of the Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee (JTC)

Hybrid Meeting – Held In Person (70 School Street, Brockton) and Virtually Via Zoom

March 7, 2024 at 12:00 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

Abington	Bruce Hughes	GATRA	Mary Ellen DeFrias
Abington	John Stone	MassDOT	Raissah Kouame
Abington	Kevin Cogan	MassDOT District 5	Barbara Lachance
Bridgewater	Shane O'Brien	MassDOT	Richard Bilski
Bridgewater	Greg Tansey	CDM Smith	Lisa Sherman
Bridgewater	Sristhi Jain	Howard Stein Hudson	Steven Findlen
Brockton	Alycia Montrond	Tighe & Bond	Dan Murphy
Brockton	Rob May	OCPC	Bill McNulty
Brockton	Celia Canavan	OCPC	Charles Kilmer
Easton	Greg Swan	OCPC	Ray Guarino
Halifax	Jonathan Selig	OCPC	Mary Waldron
Hanson	Don Howard	OCPC	Kyle Mowatt
Pembroke	Becky Coletta	OCPC	Paul Umano
Whitman	Dan Salvucci	OCPC	Guoqiang Li
Whitman	Noreen O'Toole	OCPC	Shawn Bailey
BAT	Kelly Forrester		Tina Guarino
BAT	Michael Lambert		

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Noreen O'Toole called the meeting to order at 12:03 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 February 1, 2024 Meeting

Chairperson O'Toole asked if there is a motion to approve the February 1, 2024 Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Dan Salvucci and seconded by Rob May to approve the Meeting Minutes from February 1, 2024.

The Old Colony JTC voted via roll call to approve the February 1, 2024 Meeting Minutes.

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:

- Culvert Replacement Municipal Assistance Grant Program Division of Ecological Restoration (DER), Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game
- Route 24 over Canton Street Bridge Replacement Virtual Public Information Meeting- Monday, March 11, 2024 – 6 PM – 7:30 PM
- Massachusetts Project Intake Tool (MaPIT) 5.0 Virtual Classroom March 21, March 27, March 28 (each at 10 AM)
- Federal Funds & Infrastructure Office
- Ray Guarino's Retirement Party March 7, 2024

5. Reports

A. Brockton Area Regional Transit Authority (BAT)

Michael Lambert reported on the following items:

- Ridership continues to increase, with daily ridership matching or exceeding pre-pandemic ridership.
- Weekend service was recently expanded.
- BAT continues to look for avenues to increase service with a focus now on late and overnight service.
- BAT will attend the Annual Legislative Luncheon, as it continues work to ensure increased funding for transit.

Bruce Hughes asked Michael Lambert about the status on the electric bus program. Michael stated that BAT has 5 buses to be delivered at the end of this fiscal year throughout June. BAT is working closely with National Grid to install charging infrastructure. Bruce asked if they will be capable of running all day. BATs schedule and route works well with electric buses as the routes are tight in a small area. The buses will be able to make their routes and charge back at the BAT Centre. Bruce asked what will happen to the Diesel Buses. Michael Lambert stated that Diesel buses will continue to run as BAT phases in the electric buses.

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

Mary Ellen DeFrias reported on the following items:

- GATRA has rolled out full Sunday service across all routes. GATRA is now running service 7 days a week. GATRA is very encouraged by the ridership numbers they are seeing.
- Service hours will be looked at and will determine where it makes sense to increase service.

- Halifax has joined GATRA as a service community.
- Transit App is now live to track buses.

Jonathan Selig stated that the Town of Halifax is excited to be a service area member if GATRA..

C. South Coast Rail Project

Shawn Bailey reported on the following:

In February 2024, work conducted involved fencing installation in five communities; daytime roadway sign installations near stations in Middleborough and Taunton; construction of a pedestrian bridge over Route 18 in New Bedford, including overnight lane closures over seven days for falsework (temporary support steel structures) installation; return of Mass Coastal Railroad daytime and nighttime freight operations on the New Bedford Main and New Bedford Secondary lines; daytime brush cutting and tree trimming along the railroad right-of-way in eight communities; and signal system installation and testing in seven communities.

Additional work done included daytime construction at station sites, layover sites, and along the rightof-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.

Michael Lambert asked if a date for Phase 1 opening has been determined. Shawn Bailey stated that there has not been an opening date announced. Final stations are looking to be completed this month or next. Looking at late Spring/Early Summer.

Chairperson O'Toole asked about SCR Phase 2. Shawn stated that once Phase 1 is completed, it is expected that more information will come out about Phase 2.

6. Old Business

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

Bill McNulty discussed a couple project updates:

- BROCKTON ROUTE 123 (CENTRE STREET) AT PLYMOUTH STREET SIGNALIZATION AND GEOMETRIC IMPROVEMENTS (609052)
 - Will Not Advertise in FFY 2024
 - o 25% Package received by MassDOT (3/16/2023).
 - o Cost Estimate is \$2,792,790.

- PLYMPTON BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, WINNETUXET ROAD OVER WINNETUXET RIVER (609435)
 - o 100% Package Received 1/19/2024.
 - o Cost Estimate is \$ \$1,753,213.

7. New Business

A. Old Colony FFY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development – Results of TIP Readiness Days

Bill McNulty discussed the timeline and key dates for the FFY 2025-2029 TIP Development.

Date	Progress / Milestone
Underway	Review of Project Statuses
	Consultation with Project Proponents and MassDOT
February 6-7, 2024	TIP Readiness Days
March 19, 2024	Old Colony MPO Reviews Scenarios and Potentially Selects Preferred Set of
	Projects
April 16,2024	Old Colony MPO Reviews Draft FFY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement
	Program (TIP) and Potentially Releases to 21-Day Public Review and Comment
	Period
May 21, 2024	Old Colony MPO Reviews Results of 21-Day Public Review and Comment
	Period, and Potentially Endorses Old Colony FFY 2025-2029 Transportation
	Improvement Program

The following summarizes the projects with risks/concerns that were brough up during TIP Readiness Day:

Programmed Year	Project	TIP Readiness Day Recommendation	Risks/Concerns
2024	Brockton – Intersection Improvements at Centre Street (123) and Plymouth Street	2025	High risk due to municipal ROW and Endangered Species (bats)
2025	Brockton – Intersection Improvements at Lyman Street/Grove Street/Summer Street & Replacement of Grove Street Bridge	2025	Some concerns about City's capacity on ROW delivery in 2025 with other priority project (609052); please coordinate with City on preferred years
2025	Plymouth – Town Brook Stream Restoration: Deep Water Culvert Replacement	2025	Defer to Plymouth on recommended program year
2027	Hanson – Corridor Improvements on Route 14 (Maquan Street), from the Pembroke T.L. to Indian Head Street and Related Work	2028	A lot of ROW and permitting concerns; design needs to progress, old plans (2020); busy designer

2027	Duxbury – Bridge Replacement, D- 14-003 (438), powder point avenue over Duxbury Bay	2027	Complex permitting and utility impacts may be controversial around tree removal (i.e. lengthier process). Project Manager to coordinate with designer
2028	Abington – Intersection Improvements at Route 18 (Bedford Street) and Route 123 (Brockton Avenue)	2028	New project manager, straightforward project. If it makes progress, might advance sooner – evaluate next year

Bill McNulty stated that Old Colony recently updated the Transportation Evaluation Criteria used in evaluating potential TIP projects. This is the system OCPC uses to score projects in the Universe of Projects to determine how they rank against each other. This helps us determine which projects to program. Since this was a brand new scoring system, we had to go back and re-score all the projects.

Bruce Hughes asked when we will see construction in Abington. Bill McNulty stated that the Chestnut and Hancock project is programmed in 2026.

B. Route 3A / 53 Corridor Study - Kingston

Project Update

Bill McNulty provided a project update on the Route 3A / 53 Corridor Study.

The Study purpose is to identify, quantify, and study in depth the Route 3A Corridor in Kingston from the Duxbury Town Line to the Plymouth Town Line. This planning level study will assess existing conditions and operations in relation to service needs for the community, regional commuting and the economy, assess current zoning and land use along the corridor and result in the development of short term and long-term actions that will enhance circulation and traffic flow efficiency and improve safety, as well as providing recommendations relative to economic gaps and zoning recommendations for the town to consider. Staff will review volume to capacity ratios, levels-of-service, crash analyses, pedestrian and bicycle traffic and infrastructure, pavement conditions, traffic control, and signage and overall physical condition. Public input will be included as part of the project identification process. Staff will utilize the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization's Congestion Management Process, Safety Management System, Pavement Management System, and Land Use Management System to assist in the identification and development of the short term and long-term recommendations for motorized, transit, and non-motorized modes.

This corridor study will help the Town identify and develop economic incentives and zoning improvements in addition to understanding traffic patterns and understanding where improvements can be made. The project team will work with Kinson business owners and the Kingston Collection to understand where consumers are coming form and how they use this Corridor.

So far there has been a lot of data collection and analysis. We have met with the Town and discussed land use surveys. We have brought in our comprehensive planning team to look at how this area can grow in the future.

- C. Route 139 Corridor Study Stoughton
 - Project Update

Guoqiang Li provided a project update on the Route 139 Corridor Study.

The purpose of the comprehensive Route 139 Corridor Transportation Planning Study is to evaluate indepth the total distance of approximately 3.4-mile segment along Route 139 Corridor between the northern Stoughton Town Line (bordering with Randolph, MA) and Route 27, also known as Park Street/Washington Street within the Town of Stoughton of Massachusetts. Route 139 Corridor is mostly under local jurisdiction except that the segment (between Turnpike St/Hawes Way and Stoughton and Randolph Town Line) at the interchange area of Route 139 over Route 24 is under MassDOT jurisdiction. Route 139 is known as Pleasant Street and Turnpike Street within our study area.

This planning level study will assess existing conditions and operations in relation to service needs for the community, regional commuting, and the economy and result in the development of short-term and long-term actions that will enhance circulation and traffic flow efficiency and improve safety. Staff will review and analyze the traffic volume, speeds, vehicle types, capacity ratios, levels-of-service, collisions, access management design, pedestrian and bicycle traffic and infrastructure, pavement conditions, traffic control, signage, and overall physical layouts and operation. Public input will be included as part of the project identification process.

Study Process

- Public Outreach
 - a. Public Survey completed in English and four other languages.
 - b. Survey opens between March and June in 2024
 - c. Project website developed.
- 2. Stoughton Transportation Task Force Meetings
 - a. Kick-off Meeting in January 2024
 - b. Drive-through and Field Audit in Feb 2024
 - c. Field Studies and analysis
- Assessed and Analyzed Existing Conditions
 - a. Major intersections
 - b. Segments
- 4. Compile and Develop Findings and Recommendations
- 5. Facilitate Stakeholders, Regional Partners Coordination Meetings
- Conduct Community Outreach, Public meeting.
- 7. Create Route 139 Corridor Study Final Report completed by September 2024

Preliminary Findings

Pleasant Street (Route 139) & Washington Street (Route 138) – Tight turning radius; excessive
queue length southbound left turn at peak hours; signal display blockage by the utility pole;
inadequate width of sidewalk on north-east side of Washington Street; pedestrian crossing
safety in the area

- Pleasant Street (Route 139) & Lincoln Street High crash location; high pedestrian crossing location; speeding issues; no defined curbs; vehicles not stopping at stop sign; slope along Pleasant and Lincoln Street (west) worsen the safety conditions; no defined crosswalk; town made multiple improvements to the location and have consultant to help re-design
- Pleasant Street (Route 139) & Central Street Speeding issues; slope along pleasant Street not ideal; no bicycle lanes; crosswalk too long for pedestrian crossing safety; Town has a consultant working on signal system upgrades and loop detector relocation
- Pleasant Street (Route 139) & Pine Street Poor intersection design; no formal curbs; no bicycle and pedestrian accommodations; Town has a consultant working on the redesign of intersection
- Pleasant Street (Route 139) & Turnpike Street Tight turning radius at north-east corner; excessive queue length southbound left turn; signal display blockage by the utility pole; inadequate width of sidewalk on north-east side of Washington Street; pedestrian safety
- Turnpike Street (Route 139) & Hawes Way Speeding; high volume and turning movement during peak hour and busy shopping seasons; lack of bicycling and pedestrian accommodations; excessive long crosswalk without refugee island; declining slope to the north direction and tight horizontal curvature noted
- Lindelof Ave (Route 139) & Technology Center Drive/Kay Way Speeding; lack of bicycling and pedestrian accommodations; pavement marking, striping needed; inadequate road width for an exclusive right turn from Kay Way; noted older signal system, smaller signal displays

8. Other Business and Public Comment

A. Community Local Technical Assistance Studies

Bill McNulty reported on the following items:

The Old Colony Planning Council completed a traffic study of the Route 3A Corridor in Plymouth, from the Kingston Town Line to Sandwich Street. Traffic conditions, crash history, and land use along the 3.5-mile section of corridor were assed to determine most appropriate speed limits based on Federal Highway Administration guidance. The results of this analysis have been distributed to the Town.

The Town of Plympton has requested a traffic study with road safety audit for the intersection of Palmer Road (Route 58) and Center Street. Data collection for this Study will be performed this Spring.

Project Status Updates

Bridgewater

Traffic Counts on Multiple Roadways
 Data collection planned for March 2024.

Duxbury / Kingston

 Traffic Study of Landing Road / Loring Street / Parks Street Corridor Data collection planned for May 2024.

Plympton

- Heavy Commercial Vehicle Exclusion Zone Study for Multiple Roadways Data collection planned for March 2024.
- Road Safety Audit for Palmer Road (Route 58) and Center Street Data collection planned for Spring 2024.

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

New Projects

None

Certificates

EEA #11085R – South Weymouth Naval Air Station Redevelopment Project – Abington, Rockland, Weymouth

Notice of Project Change (NPC)

Certificate states that this project requires an Environmental Impact Report.

Public Notices

Notice of Application for a 401 Water Quality Certificate – Duxbury

This application is in regards to the replacement of two existing bridges carrying Route 3 NB and SB, over Franklin Street in Duxbury.

Notice of Application for a 401 Water Quality Certificate – Pembroke

This application is in regards to the Center Street (Route 36) Reconstruction Project.

Notice of Submission of a Yearly Operational Plan – Abington, Kingston, Avon, Plymouth, Whitman, Duxbury, Brockton, Stoughton

This Yearly Operational Plan is to apply herbicides along Eversource Rights of Way.

C. Regional Concerns and Local Community Transportation Issues

Bruce Hughes stated that the Abington Planning Board had public hearing last night on the MBTA Housing Plan. That is going to Town Meeting on April 1, 2024.

Bruce Hughes stated that the Citizens Planning Training Collaborative is having their annual conference on Saturday, March 16, 2024. If you are an AICP planner you can get a lot of credits.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle Mowatt

Kyle Mowatt

Senior Transportation Planner

List of Documents for March 7, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting

- Minutes of the February 1, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting
- Staff Report for March 7, 2024, Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Items
- Presentation: Route 3A / 53 Corridor (Kingston) Study
- Presentation: Route 139 Corridor (Stoughton) Study

April 4, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 4 Communications

Summary

MassDOT Route 24 Over Canton Street Bridge Replacement Stage 1 Work Weekend

Stage 1 Work Weekend: Route 24 Southbound - What is happening?

From Friday April 5 to Monday April 8, the southbound bridge along Route 24 in Randolph will be replaced. Route 24 and Canton Street below the bridge will be impacted. Weather and unexpected circumstances make all construction activities subject to change, but we will do our best to keep you updated.

How will this affect you?

Route 24 - Timing: 8 p.m. on Friday April 5 to 4 a.m. on Monday April 8.

Details: As vehicles approach the bridges, travel lanes will be reduced from three lanes to two. Southbound traffic will be shifted onto the northbound bridge which will carry two lanes in each direction. After passing through the work zone, vehicles will return to the normal traffic pattern along Route 24.

Canton Street

<u>Timing: 5 p.m. on Friday April 5 to 4 p.m. on Monday April 8.</u>

Details: Leading up to the closure on Friday, Canton Street will maintain one lane of alternating traffic with police detail. During the closure, Canton Street will be closed to vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists. Vehicles will be redirected on an 11-mile detour along state roads.

Travel Tips

Please take care to pay attention to all signage as it is posted. Police details, changes in lane markings, temporary controls such as barriers and traffic cones, signage, and other tools will be used throughout the project to control traffic and create safe work zones within the project limits.

How can I find out more?

Stay up-to-date and informed by following the @MassDOT account on X, formerly Twitter, and Mass 511 for real-time updates, visiting the project website, or emailing us with any questions.

Project website: https://www.mass.gov/route-24-over-canton-street-bridge-replacement-project

Project email: <u>massdotrt24overCanton@dot.state.ma.us</u>



Culvert Replacement Municipal Assistance Grant Program - Division of Ecological Restoration (DER), Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game

DER's Culvert Replacement Municipal Assistance Grant Program is for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts local government units interested in replacing an undersized, perched, and/or degraded culvert located in an area of high ecological value.

This funding is to encourage applicants to replace aging culverts with better designed crossings that meet improved structural and environmental design standards and flood resiliency criteria. Only projects that intend to meet the goals of the Massachusetts Stream Crossing Standards are considered for funding. The Request for Responses (RFR) is anticipated to be launched in February. The Request for Responses (RFR) is now live. Applications are due April 12, 2024 by 4:00 p.m. For all information and to submit an application, please see the materials posted to COMMBUYS here or search "DER 2024-03" on COMMBUYS.

For more information, please visit:

https://www.mass.gov/how-to/culvert-replacement-municipal-assistance-grant-program

https://www.commbuys.com/bso/external/bidDetail.sdo?docId=BD-24-1046-DER-FWE01-99813

Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP)

The Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) is a new competitive grant program created by Section 11529 of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Pub. L. 117-58) to construct projects to provide safe and connected active transportation facilities in active transportation *networks* or active transportation *spines*.

ATIIP will award two types of grants: Planning and Design grants and Construction grants. FHWA will award Planning and Design grants for eligible applicants to develop plans for active transportation networks and active transportation spines. Projects seeking Planning and Design grants must have planning and design costs of at least \$100,000 to be eligible.

FHWA will award Construction grants to eligible applicants to construct projects to provide safe and connected active transportation facilities in an active transportation network or active transportation spine. Projects seeking Construction grants must have total costs of at least \$15 million to be eligible. Both types of grants can go towards planning, designing, and constructing active transportation *networks* and active transportation *spines*.

Active transportation *networks* are active transportation facilities that *connect between destinations within a community or metropolitan region*, including schools, workplaces, residences, businesses, recreation areas, medical facilities, and other community areas. Active transportation *spines* are active transportation facilities that *connect between communities*, *metropolitan regions*, *or States*. A goal of both types of ATIIP grants is to

integrate active transportation facilities with transit services, where available, to improve access to public transportation.

The fiscal year <u>Notice of Funding Opportunity</u> (NOFO) for Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program grants is open.

Applications must be submitted electronically through grants.gov no later than 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on Monday, June 17, 2024.

For more information, please visit:

https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/bicycle_pedestrian/atiip/

Massachusetts Project Intake Tool (MaPIT) 5.0 Virtual Classroom

Two Sessions available from the UMass Transportation Center: May 7, and May 16 (each at 10:00 AM)

Course Description:

The purpose of this course is to familiarize trainees with the newly upgraded Massachusetts Project Intake Tool (MaPIT) 5.0. This new version leverages the new Experience Builder platform to include improved accessibility and quality-of-life improvements for a better user experience.

Target Audience:

Municipal and Consultant users of MaPIT who initiate projects for the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and Massachusetts Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program.

Instructor/Bios:

Michael Bolduc- Michael Bolduc, Project Development Specialist: Michael Bolduc is a 19-year veteran of the MassDOT Highway Division who oversees project initiation and development of new CIP projects.

For more information, please visit:

https://www.umasstransportationcenter.org/assnfe/CourseView.asp?MODE=VIEW&clcourseView.asp?MODE=VIEW&clcourseView.asp?MODE=VIEW&clcourseView.asp?MODE=VIEW&clcourseView.asp?MODE=VIEW&clcourseView.asp?MODE=VIEW&clcourseView.asp?MODE=VIEW&clcourseView.asp?MODE=VIEW&clcourseView.asp?MODE=VIEW&clcourseView.asp?MODE=VIEW&c

MassDOT Beyond Mobility Update - Announcement of Public Comment Period

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 <u>plan website</u>. The 30-day public comment period will end on May 5, 2024.

How to Provide Feedback

Comments on any part of the document will be accepted during the comment period through the <u>online comment form</u>. You may also email any comments to <u>BeyondMobility@dot.state.ma.us</u>.

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.

For more information, please visit: https://www.mass.gov/beyond-mobility

Federal Funds & Infrastructure Office

The Federal Funds & Infrastructure Office is the lead agency within the Healey-Driscoll Administration tasked with implementing a whole of government approach to ensuring the Commonwealth of Massachusetts can leverage the historic opportunities available for federal funding.

The Federal Funds & Infrastructure Office (FFIO) has launched an ambitious inter-agency strategy for the Commonwealth to successfully compete for the historic levels of federal funding available from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), the CHIPS and Science Act, and more. FFIO is responsible for tracking federal opportunities, facilitating the submission of successful applications for federal funding, and advocating on behalf of Massachusetts projects that advance key priorities including infrastructure, jobs, economic competitiveness, affordable housing, clean energy, decarbonization, resilience, equity, and workforce development.

The next Federal Funds Partnership Meeting - is April 23, 2024 at 2:00 PM. A newsletter ahead of that meeting with new grant opportunities, contact information, and other helpful resources. If you aren't already registered for our Zoom meetings you can do so here.

To register for the Zoom meetings, please visit:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUucuyhrzguHNJkkh-XlmZBlQQKxxG_Acjl?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery#/registration For more information, please visit:

https://www.mass.gov/orgs/federal-funds-infrastructure-office

https://www.mass.gov/info-details/federal-funds-information-for-local-governments

April 4, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 5A Brockton Area Transit (BAT)

Summary

Brockton Area Transit to provide report.

April 4, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 5B Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority (GATRA)

Summary

Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority to provide report.

April 4, 2024 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 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 March 2024, work conducted involved fencing installation in six communities; daytime roadway sign installations near stations in Middleborough and Taunton; construction of a pedestrian bridge over Route 18 in New Bedford (night work and detours to resume week of April 7); return of Mass Coastal Railroad nighttime freight operations on the New Bedford Main and Fall River Secondary lines; daytime brush cutting and tree trimming along the railroad right-of-way in eight communities; and signal system installation and testing in seven communities.

Additional work done included daytime construction and signal work 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

April 4, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting
Agenda Item 6A
FFY 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
Implementation
Informational Update on Adjustment 2

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.

One March 19, 2024, the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization endorsed the Old Colony FFY 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program as adjusted with Adjustment 2.

Adjustment 2 includes the following change:

FFY 2024

ADD PROJECT

• <u>Statewide Wrong-Way Vehicle Detection (WWVD) System</u>

Location #	District	Town	МРО	Location
12	5	Plymouth	Old Colony	Route 3 North Exit 13
13	5	Plymouth	Old Colony	Route 3 South Exit 13

April 4, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 7A Old Colony FFY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development Review and Discussion of Preferred Set 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).

On March 19, 2024, the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization selected a Preferred Set of Projects to be included in the development of the Draft Old Colony FFY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The Preferred Set of Projects includes \$164 million in highway and bridge investments and over \$64 million in transit investments across the Region.

The Draft Old Colony FFY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program is scheduled for release to a public review and comment period pending MPO approval on April 16, 2024.

TABLE 1: FFY 2025-2029 OLD COLONY TIP PROJECTS WITH YEAR OF EXPENDITURE (YOE)/ INFLATION

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Current FFY 2024-2028 TIP Year	Proposed FFY 2025-2029 TIP Year		PROJECT DESCRIPTION	FFY 2024 (Cost)	FFY 2025 (Cost)	FFY 2026 (Cost with 4% Inflation)	FFY 2027 (Cost with 8% Inflation)	FFY 2028 (Cost with 12% Inflation)	FFY 2029 (Cost with 16% Inflation)	TEC SCORE
2024	2024	607403	STOUGHTON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138 FROM 300 FEET NORTH OF CHARLES AVENUE TO LINCOLN STREET Phase 1	\$8,963,299						43.00
2024	2025	609052	BROCKTON - ROUTE 123 (CENTRE STREET) AT PLYMOUTH STREET SIGNALIZATION AND GEOMETRIC IMPROVEMENTS		\$2,792,790	\$2,904,502	\$3,016,213	\$3,127,925	\$3,239,636	52.00
2025	2026	607818	BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT LYMAN STREET/GROVE STREET/SUMMER STREET & REPLACEMENT OF GROVE STREET BRIDGE, B-25-005, OVER SALISBURY PLAIN RIVER	\$6,196,320	\$6,196,320	\$6,444,173	\$6,692,026	\$6,939,878	\$7,187,731	75.00
2025	2025	608195	EASTON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138 INCLUDING INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 138 (WASHINGTON STREET) AND ELM STREET	\$8,320,156	\$8,320,156	\$8,652,962	\$8,985,768	\$9,318,575	\$9,651,381	57.00
2026	2026	609440	ABINGTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT HANCOCK STREET AND CHESTNUT STREET	\$4,798,809	\$4,798,809	\$4,990,761	\$5,182,714	\$5,374,666	\$5,566,618	61.00
2026	2027	606002	DUXBURY - SIGNAL INSTALLATION @ ROUTE 3 (NB & SB) RAMPS & ROUTE 3A (TREMONT STREET) (\$2,688,000)	\$3,051,887	\$3,051,887	\$3,173,962	\$3,296,038	\$3,418,113	\$3,540,189	53.00
-	2029	613599	HANOVER- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT COLUMBIA ROAD (ROUTE 53/139) AND BROADWAY	\$5,938,600	\$5,938,600	\$6,176,144	\$6,413,688	\$6,651,232	\$6,888,776	59.00
2027	2027	612525	ABINGTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, RANDOLPH STREET AND RICHARD A FITTS DRIVE (ROUTE 139) AT CHESTNUT STREET AND OLD RANDOLPH STREET	\$3,786,625	\$3,786,625	\$3,938,090	\$4,089,555	\$4,241,020	\$4,392,485	58.00
2028	2028	612769	HANOVER - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 139 (HANOVER STREET) AT MAIN STREET, CENTER STREET AND SILVER STREET	\$6,156,600	\$6,156,600	\$6,402,864	\$6,649,128	\$6,895,392	\$7,141,656	57.00
2028	2028	612262	BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 123 (BELMONT STREET), PEARL STREET AND STONEHILL STREET	\$7,465,375	\$7,465,375	\$7,763,990	\$8,062,605	\$8,361,220	\$8,659,835	61.00
0	2029	611976	EAST BRIDGEWATER- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT HIGHLAND STREET AND NORTH BEDFORD STREET (ROUTE 18)	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000	\$3,640,000	\$3,780,000	\$3,920,000	\$4,060,000	71.00
-	2029	613277	STOUGHTON- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 27 (PARK STREET) AND TURNPIKE STREET	\$3,264,123	\$3,264,123	\$3,394,688	\$3,525,253	\$3,655,818	\$3,786,383	65.00
			TOTAL PROGRAMMED BY FFY:	\$8,963,299	\$11,112,946	\$11,434,934	\$7,385,593	\$15,256,612	\$14,735,159	
			TOTAL REGIONAL FUNDING TARGET BY FFY:	\$13,863,758	\$13,628,242	\$13,294,825	\$16,462,014	\$16,771,876	\$17,087,936	

BALANCE: \$4,900,459

TABLE 2: FFY 2025-2029 OLD COLONY TIP PROJECTS WITH YEAR OF EXPENDITURE (YOE)/ INFLATION - STATEWIDE FUNDED PROJECTS

Current FFY 2024-2028 TIP Year	Proposed FFY 2025-2029 TIP Year	PROJECT ID#	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	FFY 2024 (Cost)	FFY 2025 (Cost)	FFY 2026 (Cost with 4% Inflation)	FFY 2027 (Cost with 8% Inflation)	FFY 2028 (Cost with 12% Inflation)	FFY 2029 (Cost with 16% Inflation)	TEC SCORE
2024	2024	609410	BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WORK AT CENTRE STREET (ROUTE 123), CARY STREET AND LYMAN STREET	\$3,379,839	\$3,379,839	\$3,515,033	\$3,650,226	\$3,785,420	\$3,920,613	64
2024	2024	609435	PLYMPTON - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, WINNETUXET ROAD OVER WINNETUXET RIVER	\$1,753,213	\$1,753,213	\$1,823,342	\$1,893,470	\$1,963,599	\$2,033,727	n/a
	2025	613358	STOUGHTON- CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138, FROM CANTON T.L. TO CHARLES AVENUE (PHASE 2)	\$9,206,820	\$9,206,820	\$9,575,093	\$9,943,366	\$10,311,638	\$10,679,911	
2026	2026	611979	AVON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 28, SPRING STREET AND HARRISON BOULEVARD	\$5,706,320	\$5,706,320	\$5,934,573	\$6,162,826	\$6,391,078	\$6,619,331	57.00
2027	2027	612006	DUXBURY - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, D-14-003 (438), POWDER POINT AVENUE OVER DUXBURY BAY. ADVANCE CONSTRUCTION (Two Phases). Project isAdvance Constructed over 2027 and 2028. FFY 2027 Cost is \$47,428,063, and FFY 2028 cost is \$31,139,937. Total cost is \$78,568,000.	\$86,128,000	\$86,128,000	\$89,573,120	\$41,096,042	\$2,084,213	\$12,877,588	n/a
2028	2028	612770	ABINGTON- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 18 (BEDFORD STREET) AND ROUTE 123 (BROCKTON AVENUE)	\$5,387,025	\$5,387,025	\$5,602,506	\$5,387,025	\$5,387,025	\$6,248,949	55.00
-	2028	613132	WEST BRIDGEWATER- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, W-18-004, FOREST STREET OVER TOWN RIVER						\$5,081,844	n/a
-	2028	613269	DUXBURY- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 53 AND FRANKLIN STREET					\$8,152,648		53.00
-	2029	613306	EAST BRIDGEWATER- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, E-01-010 (BVT) POND STREET OVER SATUCKET RIVER						\$1,388,781	n/a
2028	2028	608615	KINGSTON- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, K-01-014, SMITHS LANE OVER ROUTE 3 (PILGRIM HIGHWAY)	\$12,788,200	\$12,788,200	\$13,299,728	\$13,811,256	\$14,322,784	\$14,834,312	n/a
2028	2028	6114X1	STOUGHTON- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT CANTON STREET (ROUTE 27), SCHOOL STREET AND SUMMER STREET	\$4,244,929	\$2,300,000	\$4,414,726	\$4,584,523	\$4,754,320	\$4,924,118	74.00
-	2029	609520	BROCKTON- ABINGTON- PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 123						\$2,000,000	53.00
			TOTAL STATEWIDE FUNDS PROGRAMMED BY FFY:	\$3,379,839	\$10,960,033	\$9,575,093	\$6,162,826	\$29,946,670	\$47,355,592	

2/26/2024 total programmed \$12,343,138 \$22,072,979 \$21,010,027 \$13,548,419 \$45,203,282 \$63,102,756

April 4, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting
Agenda Item 7B
Development of FFY 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

• Discussion of Universe of Projects

Summary

The Old Colony Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) provides an overview and budgetary information for the transportation planning tasks and activities, which are to be conducted in the region during the upcoming federal fiscal year. The Old Colony UPWP is a federally required certification document, which is prepared and endorsed annually by the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).

The Old Colony Planning Council (OCPC) has the responsibility of preparing and implementing the Old Colony UPWP. As such, the OCPC staff is developing the FFY 2025 Old Colony UPWP and is asking the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for suggestions and input on proposed activities, tasks, and projects.

ID	COMMUNTY	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT TYPE	MEETS LRTP IDENTIFIED NEED	CONDITION, MAINTENANCE, MODERNIZATION, AND EFFICIENCY	LIVABILITY AND ECONOMIC BENEFIT	МОВІЦТУ	ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE	TRANSPORTATION EQUITY	SAFETY AND SECURITY	CMP Congested Area	HP CORRIDOR STUDY COMPOSITE SCORE
1	Avon	West Main Street from Brockton City Line to Route 28	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		53
2	Bridgewater	Route 104 from Raynham Town Line to Bridgewater Central Square	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		64
3	Bridgewater	Route 104 from Bridgewater Central Square to Halifax Town Line	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		57
4	Bridgewater	Route 18 and Route 18/Route 28	Corridor	~	~	/	✓	~		~		56
5	Brockton	Oak Street from North Pearl Street to Route 28	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		80
6	Brockton	Route 27 from Main Street to Whitman Town Line	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	69
7	Brockton	East Ashland Street	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		66
8	Brockton	Main Street from Plain Street to Avon Town Line	Corridor	~	~	~	✓	/	✓	/	✓	62
9	Brockton	Route 27 from Stoughton Town Line to Main Street	Corridor	~	~	~	✓	/	✓	/	/	62
10	Brockton	Route 28	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		54
11	Brockton	Route 123 from Downtown to Abington Town Line	Corridor	~	~	✓	/	/	✓	~		53
12	East Bridgewater	Route 14	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		54
12	East Bridgewater	Route 18 from Bridgewater Town Line to Whitman Town Line	Corridor	✓	~	~	✓	/		/		48
13	East Bridgewater	Pleasant Street/ North Central Street/ Central Street	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		53
14	Kingston	Route 3A and Vicinity Transportation and Land Use Study	Corridor and Land Use	~	~	/	✓	~		/	✓	

Old Colony Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) - Draft Universe of Projects for Element 3000

ID	COMMUNTY	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT TYPE	MEETS LRTP IDENTIFIED NEED	CONDITION, MAINTENANCE, MODERNIZATION, AND EFFICIENCY	LIVABILITY AND ECONOMIC BENEFIT	MOBILITY	ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE	TRANSPORTATION EQUITY	SAFETY AND SECURITY	CMP Congested Area	HP CORRIDOR STUDY COMPOSITE SCORE
15	Pembroke	Route 36 from Halifax Town Line to Route 14	Corridor	1	~	/	✓	✓		/		56
16	Plymouth	Route 3A	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	65
17	Plymouth	Carver Road (Former Route 44) from Carver Town Line to Route 3A	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	64
18	Plymouth	Long Pond Road from Route 3A (Herring Pond Road) to Route 3	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		53
19	Stoughton	Route 27	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	53
20	Stoughton	Route 139 from Stoughton Center to Randolph Town Line	Corridor	/	~	✓	✓	✓	>	~		55
21	Whitman	Route 27	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		54
22	Regional	Road Safety Audits (RSAs) at Multiple Locations	Intersections and Corridors	/	~	✓	✓	/	\	~		
23	Regional	Major Bottleneck Identification Study	Corridor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
24	Regional	Resilience Improvement Plan per 23 USC 176e	Network Wide	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		

April 4, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 7C Old Colony Traffic Volumes Report, 1993-2023 • Presentation and Discussion

Summary

The *Old Colony Traffic Volumes Report (1993-2023)* contains traffic information from the past 30 years from a variety of sources including Old Colony Planning Council, Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT), and various consulting and engineering firms.

During each count season the completed Automatic Traffic Recorder (ATR) counts are uploaded to the <u>Transportation Data Management System (MS2)</u>. MS2 is a tool to organize traffic count data. It allows the ability to upload data from a traffic counter; view graphs, lists and reports of historic traffic count data; search for count data using either the database or the Google map; and print or export data to your desktop. The process of storing count data in MS2 involves collecting traffic count data, uploading count data, verifying count data quality, and assigning count data to count locations.

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April 4, 2024 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 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 completed a traffic study of High Street, Maple Avenue, and Vernon Street in Bridgewater. Traffic data and findings from this Study have been distributed to the Town.

Project Status Updates

Duxbury / Kingston

Traffic Study of Landing Road / Loring Street / Parks Street Corridor
 Data collection planned for May 2024.

Plympton

- Heavy Commercial Vehicle Exclusion Zone Study for Multiple Roadways
 Data analysis in progress.
- Road Safety Audit for Palmer Road (Route 58) and Center Street Data analysis in progress.

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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April 4, 2024 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

New Projects

EEA # 16814 – 16 Town Wharf – Plymouth

Expanded Environmental Notification Form (EENF)

The project proposes to raze the existing restaurant, which is in need of improvements, and construct a new restaurant.

Certificates

None

Public Notices

Notice of Submission of a Yearly Operational Plan – Abington, Avon, Bridgewater, Brockton, East Bridgewater, Easton, Halifax, Kingston, Plymouth, Plympton, Stoughton, West Bridgewater, Whitman

Applying herbicides on railroad rights-of-way.

Notice of Issuance of Draft Water Management Act Permits – Halifax, Hanson

In regard to irrigation of cranberry bogs in Halifax and Hanson

Notice of Comment Period Extension on Yearly Operating Plan – Abington, Kingston, Avon, Plymouth, Whitman, Duxbury, Brockton, Stoughton

In regard to applying herbicides along Eversource rights-of-way

Notice of Application for a 401 Water Quality Certificate – Plympton

In regard to the replacement of the bridge over Winnetuxet Road over Winnetuxet River in the Town of Plympton.

Notice of Application for a Chapter 91 Waterways License - Kingston

Performing ecological restoration activities at a retired 4-acre cranberry bog and to construct and maintain two pedestrian footbridges across the newly created stream channel off Winthrop Street.

April 4, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 8C Regional Concerns and Local Community Transportation Issues

Summary

Regional Concerns and Local Community Transportation Issues.

April 4, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 9 Adjournment

Summary

Adjournment.