



#### **ADVISING THE OLD COLONY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)** AND THE OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL (OCPĆ)

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# AGENDA:

- 1. Call to Order and Introductions
- 2. Public Comments
- 3. Minutes of December 5, 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 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Implementation

i. Old Colony FFY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Draft Amendment 2 - Public Review and **Comment Period Now Open** 

#### 7. New Business

- a.FFY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) **Development** 
  - i. Results from TIP Readiness Day
  - ii. Development Timeline and Key Dates
- b. Performance Based Planning and Performance Measures and Targets (PM1)
  - i. Report on Adoption of Federally Required Performance Measures and Targets for Highway Safety (PM1) for **FFY 2025**
  - ii. Review of Regional Highway Safety Performance, 2015-2024
- c. Old Colony Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Regional Comprehensive Safety (Vision Zero) Action Plan i. Project Update
- 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

### THURSDAY. **FEBRUARY 6, 2025,** 12:00 P.M. TO 1:00 P.M.

# **CALL IN DETAILS:**

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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).

# **Contact Us**

# February 6, 2025 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

To be read by the Chair at the start of each meeting:

- "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."
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# February 6, 2025 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 2 Public Comments

**Summary** 

Public comments.

# February 6, 2025 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 3 Minutes of December 5, 2024 Meeting

### **Summary**

Old Colony JTC to consider approval of December 5, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting Minutes.

#### Meeting Minutes of the Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee (JTC) Held Virtually Via Zoom December 5, 2024 at 12:00 P.M.

#### ATTENDANCE

Abington	Bruce Hughes	BAT	Michael Lambert
Abington	Kevin Cogan	ВАТ	Kelly Forrester
Avon	Rick Jordan	MassDOT District 5	Barbara Lachance
Bridgewater	Shane O'Brien	Safe Routes to School	Colleen Pekrul
Bridgewater	Greg Tansey	TranSystems	Alan Castaline
Brockton	Emily Adams	OCPC	Mary Waldron
Brockton	Chike Odunukwe	OCPC	Charles Kilmer
Duxbury	Tag Carpenter	OCPC	Kyle Mowatt
Easton	Greg Swan	OCPC	Bill McNulty
Easton	Dave Field	OCPC	Shawn Bailey
Pembroke	Becky Coletta	OCPC	Ray Guarino
Whitman	Dan Salvucci	OCPC	Matt Dyer

#### **1.** Call to Order and Introductions

Vice Chairperson Dan Salvucci 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 November 7, 2024 Meeting

Vice Chairperson Dan Salvucci asked if there was a motion to approve the November 7, 2024 Meeting Minutes. A motion was made by Bruce Hughes and seconded by Shane O'Brien to approve the Meeting Minutes from November 7, 2024.

The Old Colony JTC voted to approve the November 7, 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:

- Corridor Improvements on Route 139 (Hanover Street) at Main Street, Center Street and Silver Street (Hanover) Virtual Public Information Meeting December 5, 2024 at 6:30 PM
- Old Colony Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Action Plan Public Meeting December 11, 2024
- Vulnerable Road User Systemic Safety Project: State-Owned Bus Stops Virtual Public Information Meeting December 18, 2024 at 6:00 PM
- Fiscal Years 2024-2026 Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program NOFO
- FY 2025 RAISE Notice of Funding Availability (NOFO)
- Citizen Planner Training Collaborative (CPTC) Multiple Upcoming Workshops
- 2025 MassTrails Grant Application period is OPEN! Applications due Monday, February 3, 2025
- Federal Funds & Infrastructure Office (FFIO) Next meeting is January 28, 2025 at 2:00 PM
- MassDOT Draft Public Participation Plan (PPP) Available for Review and Comment Comment period closes on January 10, 2025

### 5. Reports

### A. Brockton Area Regional Transit Authority (BAT)

Michael Lambert stated that there is nothing new to report at this time.

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

There was no update from GATRA at this time.

### C. South Coast Rail Project

Shawn Bailey reported on the following:

In November 2024, work conducted involved overnight testing at signal houses across the South Coast Rail lines; train testing to and from Middleborough, East Taunton, Freetown, Fall River, and New Bedford (with speeds of up to 79 miles per hour); daytime and overnight pavement marking work on Route 105 in Middleborough; and continued construction of a pedestrian bridge over Route 18 in New Bedford with overnight lane closures on Route 18.

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.

### 6. Old Business

#### A. Old Colony FFY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Implementation Adjustment 2 – Report on MPO Review and Endorsement, Amendment 1 – Public Review and Comment Period

Bill McNulty discussed Adjustment 2 and Amendment 1:

On November 19, 2024, the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization endorsed Adjustment 2 to the FFY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program, and released Amendment 1 to a public review and comment period.

Adjustment 2 includes the following two adjustments:

FFY 2027 and 2030 (2030 is beyond current 2025-2029 TIP but being documented for Advance Construction Schedule)

#### CHANGE PROJECT FUNDING SOURCE

- DUXBURY- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, D-14-003 (438), POWDER POINT AVENUE OVER DUXBURY BAY (812006)
  - Original Funding Source: Section 1B (Earmarked or Discretionary Grant Funded Projects)
  - New Funding Source: Section 2A (State Prioritized Reliability Projects)
  - Adjusting FFY 2027 Bridge Formula Program Off-System Bridge (BROFF) funding from \$36,960,397 to \$0
  - Adjusting FFY 2030 STBG-Bridge Off-System funding from \$0 to \$36,960,397.
  - Programmed Amount Remains Unchanged at \$36,960,397

#### FFY 2029

#### REVISE COST ESTIMATE

- BRIDGEWATER- BRIDGE REHABILITATION, B-23-001 (44H), VERNON STREET OVER TAUNTON RIVER (613292)
  - Programmed in FFY 2029
  - Previous Cost: \$23,911,289
  - New Amount: \$21,425,706 (Variance: -\$2,485,583)

Amendment 1 includes the following amendments:

#### FFY 2025

- BROCKTON- DOWNTOWN TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECT (SMART) (S13132)
  - Add Project
  - Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Discretionary Grant
  - Total Project Cost is \$1,496,630
- BROCKTON- DOWNTOWN BROCKTON IMPROVEMENTS (RAISE) (\$13134)
  - Add Project

- Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Discretionary Grant
- o Total Project Cost with Match is \$9,804,688
- BROCKTON- SAFETY PILOT AT THREE INTERSECTIONS ON NORTH MAIN STREET (SS4A) (S13135)
  - Add Project
  - Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Discretionary Grant
  - Total Project Cost is \$235,600
- <u>PLYMOUTH- DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF TWO CULVERTS AND REMOVAL OF ONE (TOWN</u> <u>BROOK STREAM; CULVERT AOP) (S13133)</u>
  - o Add Project
  - National Colvert Program Aquatic Organisme Passage (AOP) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Discrétionnaire Grant
  - Award Amount is \$2,800,000

#### FFY 2025

#### 1. <u>MASSDOT DISTRICT FIVE – VRU SYSTEMIC SAFETY PROJECT NEAR BUS STOPS (613604)</u> O MODIFIES PROJECT LISTING S12980

Vice Chairperson Dan Salvucci asked if there was a motion to approve Amendment 1. The motion was made by Bruce Hughes and seconded by Shane O'Brien.

The Old Colony JTC voted unanimously to approve Amendment 1.

### 7. New Business

# A. Old Colony Transportation Evaluation Criteria (TEC) and Project Programming Process Review of Transportation Evaluation Criteria and Programming Process

Bill McNulty discussed the Old Colony TEC and Project Programming Process.

Following approval by MassDOT's Project Review Committee (PRC), TIP eligible projects are evaluated using Transportation Evaluation Criteria (TEC). During TIP development, current and proposed projects are evaluated using the 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.

### B. World Day of Remembrance

#### Summary of Old Colony Planning Council Participation

Matt Dyer discussed the World Day of Remembrance.

The World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims (WDR) is commemorated on the third Sunday of November each year. It is a significant global event dedicated to remembering the millions who have been killed or seriously injured on the world's roads and acknowledging the suffering of all affected victims, their families, and communities.

The Old Colony Planning Council raised awareness of this day through our newsletter and social media platforms. Mary Waldron and Matt Dyer also attended the WDR Vigil in Brockton, organized by Brockton Bikes.

Matt Dyer reminded those present about the opportunity to address dangerous intersections and roads by sharing your thoughts in the Safe Streets 4 All portal location on the OCPC website. Project Vision Zero is a commitment to eliminating roadway fatalities and serious injuries on our nation's roadways.

Vice Chairperson Dan Salvucci stated that pedestrians crossing the road need to be aware of where they're crossing and be off of their cell phones. Drivers, pedestrians, and cyclists all need to be aware.

### C. Regional Trails Inventory

Update and Discussion

Matt Dyer discussed the Regional Trails Inventory.

Under the MassTrails Program, OCPC has received a grant to inventory the region's trail network. This effort aims to document existing trails, assess ADA accessibility, and evaluate trail conditions. The project

will enhance safety, improve regional connectivity, and centralize trail data, supporting the advancement of trail development and infrastructure through feasibility studies and strategic planning.

Currently, we are in phase three of the project, focusing on collecting data across the region. OCPC will meet with each community to review and verify trail data for accuracy.

#### 8. Other Business and Public Comment

#### A. Community Local Technical Assistance Studies

Bill McNulty reported on the following items:

#### Project Status Updates

Avon

• Main Street (Route 28) Road Safety Audit

#### Drat Report In Review.

#### 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

**EEA #16692 – Plymouth Municipal Airport Runway 6 Extension – Plymouth, Carver** *Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR)* 

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

#### Weymouth

Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (FSEIR)

**EEA #16896 – Wilkinson/Withington Aquaculture – Plymouth** *Environmental Notification Form (ENF)* 

Cultivation of Eastern Oyster, Quahog, and Surf Clam.

#### **Certificates**

### EEA # 16873 – 123 and 125 West Street Single-Family Homes - Plympton

Expanded Environmental Notification Form (EENF) Certificate

The Certificate states that this project **requires** the submission of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

#### **Public Notices**

#### Notice of Application for a Chapter 91 Waterways License - Plymouth

In regard to 16 Town Wharf. The existing restaurant will be demolished, and a new restaurant will be constructed.

#### C. Regional Concerns and Local Community Transportation Issues

Bruce Hughes stated that at the last Abington Planning Board meeting they issued a special permit for the construction of a new central fire station and DPW.

Vice Chairperson Dan Salvucci thanked OCPC for awarding the Town of Whitman, an Impact Award at last night's OCPC Annual Summit.

Rick Jordan reminded everyone about the December 11, 2024 – Safe Streets 4 All Public Meeting.

#### 9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted, *Kyle Mowatt* Kyle Mowatt Senior Transportation Planner

#### List of Documents for December 5, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting

- Minutes of the November 7, 2024 Old Colony JTC Meeting
- Staff Report for December 5, 2024, Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Items

\*A quorum is not necessary for any meeting of the JTC. However, if any JTC voting member feels that there is not adequate or appropriate representation of the group present to decide an issue, that member may advise the group and the Chairperson may postpone the issue until the next meeting. \*\*Generally, matters will not be decided by vote. Exceptions to this rule are matters of Joint Transportation Committee internal business such as the election of a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Secretary, the approval of the minutes of a previous meeting and amendments to the By-laws. In such cases, the Chairperson shall direct a voice vote on the matter, and finding significant opposition shall re-open discussion of that matter until a consensus position is reached.

## February 6, 2025 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 4 Communications

### **Summary**

### **MassDOT Municipal Grants Engagement Group**

MassDOT's Municipal Grants Engagement Group's mission is to connect municipalities with federal funding opportunities to advance local and regional transportation needs. This includes but is not limited to supporting communities as they compete for the historic levels of federal funding available from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), and other legislation. The group also provides technical assistance to Massachusetts communities, with a focus on rural areas and Gateway Cities, to prepare projects for grant funding, develop grant applications, and assist with coordination efforts across MassDOT and our partner agencies.

A process for communities to request technical assistance is under development. In the meantime, if you would like to request support from MassDOT on any federal grant-related matters, please contact Derek Krevat, Manager of Municipal Grants Engagement, at: <u>Derek.Krevat@dot.state.ma.us</u>.

### For more information, please visit: <u>https://www.mass.gov/massdot-municipal-grants-</u> engagement

South Coast Rail Public Meeting, Monday, February 10, 2025 - 6:00 P.M.

Please join the South Coast Rail (SCR) team at a public meeting on Monday, February 10, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in Freetown. The team will provide a project update, describe overall project status and timeline, including the anticipated start of service date, and key next steps for the project.

The meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. at the Freetown Elementary School campus, located at <u>43 Bullock Road East Freetown, MA 02717</u>. Parking is available at the school's lot on the Memorial Drive side of the campus.

Visit the <u>event page</u> (<u>https://www.mbta.com/events/2025-02-10/public-meeting-south-</u> <u>coast-rail-person</u>) for meeting information.

For more information about South Coast Rail, visit the <u>project website</u>. Please contact the project team with any questions at: <u>SouthCoastRail@dot.state.ma.us</u>.

# Fiscal Years 2024-2026 Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program NOFO

FHWA is accepting applications under the PROTECT Program.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW: The purpose of the PROTECT Program is to provide grants on a competitive basis for projects that seek to strengthen surface transportation to be more resilient to natural hazards, including climate change, sea level rise, heat waves, flooding, extreme weather events, and other natural disasters through support of planning activities, resilience improvements, community resilience and evacuation routes, and at-risk costal infrastructure.

INFORMATIONAL WEBINARS: For each Application Open Period, FHWA plans to conduct outreach regarding PROTECT Discretionary Program grants in the form of virtual meetings (Webinars) after the NOFO period opens, and before the NOFO period closes. To view upcoming Webinars and register, please follow the instructions posted on <u>https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/protect/discretionary</u>.

### APPLICATION DEADLINES:

- FY 2024 and 2025 Deadline: February 24, 2025, 11:59 p.m. ET
- FY 2026 Deadline: February 24, 2026, 11:59 p.m. ET

### Federal Funds & Infrastructure Office (FFIO)

The Federal Funds & Infrastructure Office is the lead agency within the Healey-Driscoll Administration tasked with implementing a whole 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 **February 25, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.** A newsletter ahead of that meeting with new grant opportunities, contact information, and other helpful resources will be distributed.

<u>To register for the Zoom meetings, please visit:</u> <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUucuyhrzguHNJkkh-</u> <u>XImZBIQQKxxG\_Acjl#/registration</u> 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





# Join the MBTA at a South Coast Rail Public Meeting Monday, February 10 - 6:00 PM Freetown Elementary School

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Freetown Station, located on the Fall River Secondary Line

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# February 6, 2025 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 5A Brockton Area Transit (BAT)

### **Summary**

Brockton Area Transit to provide report.

# February 6, 2025 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 5B Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority (GATRA)

### **Summary**

Greater Attleboro-Taunton Regional Transit Authority to provide report.

## February 6, 2025 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 5C South Coast Rail (SCR) Project

### **Summary**

The South Coast Rail (SCR) project will restore commuter rail service between Boston and southeastern Massachusetts by spring/summer 2025. 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 2025.

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 December 2024 and January 2025, work conducted involved overnight and daytime train testing to and from Middleborough, East Taunton, Freetown, Fall River, and New Bedford (with speeds of up to 79 miles per hour).

Additionally, there is a public meeting that will be held at Freetown Elementary School on Monday February 10, 2025 at 6:00 PM. Anyone is welcome to attend, and the project team will provide "project update, describe overall project status and timeline, including the anticipated start of service date, and key next steps for the project."

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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# February 6, 2025 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 6A Old Colony FFY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Implementation • Amendment 2 – Public review and Comment Period

### **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 2 includes the following changes:

### FFY 2025

- <u>ABINGTON- SAFE STREETS FOR 100 (SS4A) SUPPLEMENTAL PLANNING AND</u> <u>DEMONSTRATION ACTIVITIES (S13166)</u>
  - Adding Project

- Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Discretionary Grant
- Total Project Cost is \$377,255
- OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL (OCPC)-PRIORITIZATION PROCESS PILOT PROGRAM (PPPP) MPO PRIORITIZATION PLAN (S13178)
  - Adding Project
  - Prioritization Process Pilot Program (PPPP) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Discretionary Grant
  - Total Project Cost is \$1,990,620

# DRAFT FFY 2025-2029 OLD COLONY TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT 2

PRESENTED TO THE OLD COLONY MPO AND RELEASED TO PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD ON JANUARY 21, 2025

PREPARED IN COOPERATION WITH:

- BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY (BAT)
- FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION (FHWA)
- FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA)
- MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MASSDOT)
- OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL (OCPC)

PREPARED BY: OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL 70 SCHOOL STREET BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS UNDER MASSDOT CONTRACT 126742



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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD FFY 2025-2029 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT 2

Old Colony Planning Council (OCPC) is making the FFY 2025-2029 TIP Amendment 2 available for a Public Review and Comment. Copies will be available at <a href="https://oldcolonyplanning.org">https://oldcolonyplanning.org</a> and/or upon request. This process will be used as Brockton Area Transit Authority's (BAT) public participation process. BAT, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307(c) applicant, has consulted with the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and concurs that the public involvement process adopted by the MPO for development of the TIP satisfies the public hearing requirements that pertain to the development of the Program of Projects for the regular Section 5307, Urbanized Area Formula Program, grant applications including the provisions for public notice and the time established for public review and comment. Public notice of public involvement activities and time established for public review and comments on the TIP will satisfy the program of projects (POP) requirements. The public discussion of the TIP at meetings of the Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee (ITC) and Old Colony MPO satisfy the Program of Projects (POP) public hearing requirements of the FTA. A public meeting of the Old Colony MPO is scheduled for February 18, 2025 at 10:00 AM. Please contact William McNulty at (774) 539-5103 for information.

Please send written comments to: William McNulty Old Colony Planning Council 70 School Street, Brockton, MA 02301 wmcnulty@ocpcrpa.org

### Old Colony FFY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Proposed Amendment 2 January 21, 2025

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### Amendment 2 includes the following changes:

### FFY 2025

- <u>ABINGTON- SAFE STREETS FOR 100 (SS4A) SUPPLEMENTAL PLANNING AND</u> <u>DEMONSTRATION ACTIVITIES (S13166)</u>
  - Adding Project
  - Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Discretionary Grant
  - Total Project Cost is \$377,255
- OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL (OCPC)-PRIORITIZATION PROCESS PILOT PROGRAM (PPPP) MPO PRIORITIZATION PLAN(S13178)
  - Adding Project
  - Prioritization Process Pilot Program (PPPP) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Discretionary Grant
  - Total Project Cost with Match is \$1,990,620



# TIP Revisions Report Old Colony

						STIP: 2025 - 2029 (A)		
Туре	Value Changed	Date of	Former Value	New Value	Variance	Comments		
		Change						
Federal Fiscal	Year 2025							
Section 1B / Earmark or Discretionary Grant Funded Projects								
Earmark Discretionary								
S13166 Abington: Abington - SS4A Supplemental planning and demonstration activities								
Amendment	2025: Old Colony-DGN-Earmark	12/30/2024	\$0	\$377,255	\$377,255			
S13178 : PPP	P - Old Colony MPO Prioritization Plan							
Amendment	2025: Old Colony-DGN-Earmark	1/13/2025	\$0	\$1,990,620	\$1,990,620			

# February 6, 2025 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 7A FFY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development • Results from TIP Readiness Days • Development Timeline and Key Dats

### **Summary**

The development of the FFY 2026-2030 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).

TIP Readiness Day, an annual discussion between the MPO and MassDOT when project readiness is discussed, took place on February 4, 2025. The following is the development schedule for the Old Colony FFY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):

• March 18, 2025: Staff will present programming scenarios to the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and request a selection by vote of a Preferred Scenario.

- April 3, 2025: Staff will present Preferred Scenario to Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee and request a vote of approval.
- April 22, 2025: Staff will present Draft FFY 2026-2030 TIP to Old Colony MPO and request a vote to release to a 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period.
- May 1, 2025: Staff will present Draft FFY 2026-2030 TIP to Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee and request a vote of approval.
- May 20, 2025: Staff will present results of Public Review and Comment Period, any revisions made as a result and request a vote to Endorse the FFY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program.

The following are projects included in the Old Colony Universe of Project, with updated statuses as a result of TIP Readiness Day noted.

### ABINGTON

- <u>ABINGTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT HANCOCK STREET AND CHESTNUT</u> <u>STREET (609440)</u>
  - $\circ\,$  PRC Approved 4/18/2019.
  - $\circ~$  Programmed in FFY 2026.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2026.
  - 75% Package Received (9/30/2024).
  - Cost Estimate is \$6,733,294.

### <u>ABINGTON & BROCKTON - PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 123</u> (609520)

- $\circ~$  PRC Approved 8/25/2019.
- Programmed in FFY 2029.
- TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2029.
- $\,\circ\,$  25% Package Resubmission 2 Received (as of 1/13/2025).
- Cost Estimate is \$29,519,606.
- <u>ABINGTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, RANDOLPH STREET AND RICHARD A. FITTS</u> <u>DRIVE (ROUTE 139) AT CHESTNUT STREET AND OLD RANDOLPH STREET (612525)</u>
  - $\,\circ\,$  PRC Approved 10/21/2021.
  - Currently programmed in FFY 2027.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2027.
  - $\circ~$  Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$3,786,625.
- <u>ABINGTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, ROUTE 18 (BEDFORD STREET) AT ROUTE</u> 123 (BROCKTON AVENUE) (612770)
  - PRC Approved 5/12/2022.
  - $\,\circ\,$  Currently programmed in FFY 2028.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2028.
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$5,387,025

### DISTRICT 5- BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS AT MULTIPLE LOCATIONS (613942)

- $\circ$  PRC Approved 12/12/2024.
- Currently not programmed.
- Project is in the preliminary design phase.
- Cost Estimate is \$8,252,580.

### AVON

- <u>AVON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 28, SPRING STREET AND HARRISON</u> <u>BOULEVARD (611979)</u>
  - $\circ$  PRC Approved 1/28/2021.
  - $\,\circ\,$  Currently programmed in FFY 2026.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Unlikely to advertise in 2026; Move to 2027.
  - $\circ$  25% Package Received (as of 9/9/2024).
  - Cost Estimate is \$7,350,106.
- AVON CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 28 (610804)
  - PRC Approved 4/30/2020.
  - Currently not programmed.
  - $\circ~$  Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$4,002,001.

### BROCKTON

- <u>BROCKTON ROUTE 123 (CENTRE STREET) AT PLYMOUTH STREET SIGNALIZATION AND</u> <u>GEOMETRIC IMPROVEMENTS (609052)</u>
  - PRC Approved 3/15/2018.
  - $\,\circ\,$  Programmed in FFY 2025.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Unlikely to advertise in 2025; Move to 2026.
  - 25% Package Resubmission received by MassDOT (3/13/2023).
  - Cost Estimate is \$2,792,790.
- <u>BROCKTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT LYMAN STREET/GROVE</u> <u>STREET/SUMMER STREET & REPLACEMENT OF GROVE STREET BRIDGE, B-25-005, OVER</u> <u>SALISBURY PLAIN RIVER (607818)</u>
  - $\circ$  PRC Approved 6/9/2016.
  - Currently Programmed in FFY 2026.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Unlikely to advertise in 2026; Move to 2027.
  - 25% Package Resubmission received by MassDOT (6/12/2023).
  - Cost Estimate is \$6,196,320.
- <u>BROCKTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS @ CRESCENT STREET (ROUTE 27)/ QUINCY</u> <u>STREET/ MASSASOIT BOULEVARD (606143)</u>

- PRC Approved 8/12/2010.
- Currently not programmed.
- 25% Package received by MassDOT (5/4/2015).
- Cost Estimate is \$5,300,800

### <u>ABINGTON & BROCKTON - PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 123</u> (609520)

- $\circ~$  PRC Approved 8/25/2019.
- $\circ~$  Programmed in FFY 2029.
- TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2029.
- 25% Package Resubmission 2 Received (as of 1/13/2025).
- Cost Estimate is \$29,519,606.
- <u>BROCKTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 123 (BELMONT STREET), PEARL</u> <u>STREET AND STONEHILL STREET (612262)</u>
  - PRC Approved 6/24/2021.
  - Currently Programmed in FFY 2028.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2028.
  - $\,\circ\,$  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)

- PRC Approved 10/21/2021.
- Currently not programmed.
- $\circ$  Project is in the preliminary design phase.
- Cost Estimate is \$8,778,450.

### DUXBURY

- <u>KINGSTON DUXBURY SIGNAL INSTALLATION @ ROUTE 3 (NB & SB) RAMPS & ROUTE</u> 3A (TREMONT STREET) (606002)
  - $\circ$  PRC Approved 2/11/2010.
  - Programmed in FFY 2027.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2027.
  - $\circ$  25% Package Received (as of 01/17/2025).
  - Cost Estimate is \$8,828,682.
- DUXBURY BRIDGE REPLACEMENT POWDER POINT AVENUE OVER DUXBURY BAY (612006)
  - $\,\circ\,$  PRC Approved 1/28/2021.
  - Advance Construction in multiple years, currently programmed to begin FFY 2027.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2027.
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$172,404,575.

#### DISTRICT 5- SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS (613012)

- $\circ$  PRC Approved 9/15/2022.
- Currently not programmed.
- $\circ$  PS&E Resub 1 Received (as of 06/18/2024).
- Cost Estimate is \$7,279,150.

### <u>DUXBURY – INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 53 AND FRANKLIN STREET</u> (613269)

- $\circ$  PRC Approved 6/1/2023.
- $\,\circ\,$  Programmed in FFY 2028.
- TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2028.
- $\circ$  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)
  - $\circ$  PRC Approved 1/28/2021.
  - $\circ~$  Currently not programmed.
  - $\circ~$  Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$3,500,000.

### <u>EAST BRIDGEWATER - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT HIGHLAND STREET AND NORTH</u> <u>BEDFORD STREET (ROUTE 18) (611976)</u>

- $\circ$  PRC Approved 1/28/2021.
- Programmed in FFY 2029.
- TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2029.
- Notice to Proceed Issued 7/23/2024.
- Cost Estimate is \$3,500,000.

### EAST BRIDGEWATER – BRIDGE REPLACEMENT POND STREET OVER SATUCKET RIVER (613306)

- $\,\circ\,$  PRC Approved 6/1/2023.
- Programmed in FFY 2029.
- TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2029.
- $\,\circ\,$  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)
  - PRC Approved 2/11/2016.
  - Programmed in FFY 2025.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2025.

- PS&E Received (01/10/2025).
- Cost Estimate is \$10,299,184.

### EASTON - RESURFACING AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 138 (ROOSEVELT CIRCLE TO STOUGHTON TOWN LINE) (608585)

- $\circ$  PRC Approved 6/9/2016.
- $\circ~$  Currently not programmed.
- $\circ~$  Project is in the preliminary design phase.
- Cost Estimate is \$4,330,240.

#### EASTON - IMPROVEMENTS ON FOUNDRY STREET (ROUTE 106/123) (612269)

- $\circ$  PRC Approved 6/24/2021.
- Currently not programmed.
- $\,\circ\,$  Project is in the preliminary design phase.
- Cost Estimate is \$14,315,773.

#### <u>EASTON - RECONSTRUCTION AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTES 138 AND 123, FROM</u> BELMONT STREET TO DEPOT STREET (612617)

- PRC Approved 6/24/2022.
- $\circ$  Currently not programmed.
- Notice to Proceed Issued 6/2/2022.
- 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)
  - $\,\circ\,$  PRC Approved 9/15/2022.
  - $\circ~$  Currently not programmed.
  - $\circ~$  Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$7,428,625.
- DISTRICT 5- SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS (613012)
  - PRC Approved 9/15/2022.
  - $\circ~$  Currently not programmed.
  - $\circ\,$  PS&E Resub 1 Received (as of 06/18/2024).
  - Cost Estimate is \$7,279,150.

### HANOVER

- HANOVER CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 139 (HANOVER STREET) AT MAIN STREET, CENTER STREET, AND SILVER STREET (612769)
  - $\circ~$  PRC Approved 5/12/2022.
  - Currently programmed in FFY 2028.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2028.
  - Notice to Proceed Issued 6/22/2023.
  - Cost Estimate is \$6,156,600

### HANOVER - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT COLUMBIA ROAD (ROUTE 53/139) AND BROADWAY (613559)

- $\circ$  PRC Approved 10/12/2022.
- Currently programmed in FFY 2029.
- TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2029.
- Notice to Proceed Issued 6/22/2023.
- Cost Estimate is \$5,968,600.

### DISTRICT 5- BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS AT MULTIPLE LOCATIONS (613942)

- $\circ$  PRC Approved 12/12/2024.
- Currently not programmed.
- $\,\circ\,$  Project is in the preliminary design phase.
- Cost Estimate is \$8,252,580.

### HANSON

- <u>HANSON CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 14 (MAQUAN STREET), FROM THE</u> <u>PEMBROKE T.L. TO INDIAN HEAD STREET AND RELATED WORK (608506)</u>
  - $\circ$  PRC Approved 3/23/2017.
  - $\circ$  Currently not programmed.

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

#### KINGSTON

- <u>KINGSTON BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, K-01-014, SMITHS LANE OVER ROUTE 3 (PILGRIM HIGHWAY) (608615)</u>
  - $\circ$  PRC Approved 9/20/2016.
  - $\,\circ\,$  Programmed in FFY 2028.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Design Advancing Quickly; Move to 2027.
  - Notice to Proceed Issued 8/1/2017.
  - Cost Estimate is \$12,788,000.
- KINGSTON DUXBURY SIGNAL INSTALLATION @ ROUTE 3 (NB & SB) RAMPS & ROUTE 3A (TREMONT STREET) (606002)
  - $\circ$  PRC Approved 2/11/2010.
  - Programmed in FFY 2027.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2027.
  - $\circ$  25% Package Received (as of 01/17/2025).
  - Cost Estimate is \$8,828,682.

PLYMOUTH

### PLYMOUTH - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 3A (STATE ROAD) AT HERRING POND ROAD (613726)

- $\circ$  PRC Approved 5/31/2024.
- $\circ~$  Currently not programmed.
- Project is in the preliminary design phase.
- Cost Estimate is \$8,171,488.

### STOUGHTON

- <u>STOUGHTON CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138, FROM CANTON T.L. TO</u> <u>CHARLES AVENUE (PHASE 2) (613358)</u>
  - $\circ$  PRC Approved 6/1/2023.
  - $\,\circ\,$  Programmed in FFY 2025.
  - $\circ$  PS&E Received (as of 12/19/2023).
  - Cost Estimate is \$10,377,366.

### STOUGHTON - RECONSTRUCTION OF TURNPIKE STREET (607214)

- $\circ\,$  PRC Approved 7/26/2012.
- $\circ~$  Currently not programmed.
- MassDOT comments on the 75% Package returned to the Design Engineer (as of 9/7/2021).
- Design Public Hearing Held on June 16, 2022.

• Cost Estimate is \$42,984,486.

#### STOUGHTON - CANTON STREET (ROUTE 27) & SCHOOL STREET SIGNALIZATION AND GEOMETRIC IMPROVEMENTS (611981)

- PRC Approved 12/14/2023.
- $\circ~$  Programmed in FFY 2028.
- TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2028.
- $\circ$  25% Package Received (as of 10/8/2024).
- Cost Estimate is \$4,985,836.
- <u>STOUGHTON INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 27 (PARK STREET) AND</u> <u>TURNPIKE STREET (613277)</u>
  - $\,\circ\,$  PRC Approved 6/1/2023.
  - Programmed in FFY 2029.
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$3,264,123.

### <u>STOUGHTON - BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 27 (PARK STREET)</u> (613287)

- $\circ$  PRC Approved 6/1/2023.
- Currently not programmed.
- $\circ~$  Project is in the preliminary design phase.
- Cost Estimate is \$6,148,943.

#### WEST BRIDGEWATER

- WEST BRIDGEWATER BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, W-18-004, FOREST STREET OVER TOWN RIVER (613132)
  - $\circ$  PRC Approved 12/20/2022.
  - $\circ\,$  Programmed in FFY 2029.
  - TIP Readiness Recommendation: Good for FFY 2028
  - Notice to Proceed Issued 6/1/2023.
  - Cost Estimate is \$4,380,900.

#### WHITMAN

- WHITMAN CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON SOUTH AVENUE (ROUTE 27) (613643)
  - PRC Approved 12/14/2023.
  - Currently not programmed.
  - Project is in the preliminary design phase.
  - Cost Estimate is \$14,835,581.

### February 6, 2025 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 7B Performance Based Planning and Safety Performance Measures and Targets (PM1) • Report on Adoption of Federally Required Performance Measures and Targets for Highway Safety (PM1) for CY 2025 • Review of Regional Highway Safety Performance, 2015-2024

**Summary** 

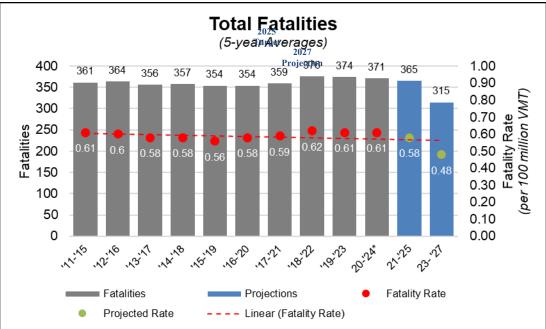
### MassDOT CY25 Safety Performance Measure Targets (PM1)

**Total Fatalities:** Per Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) guidance, the calendar year (CY) 2025 5-year rolling average (2021-2025) target setting process began with a trend line projection based on the most recent available data. Due to higher rates of speeding caused by decreased vehicle miles traveled (VMT) amid pandemic shutdowns in 2020 and the lingering impacts in 2021 and 2022, roadway fatalities were increasing relative to previous years. However, Massachusetts began to see this trend reverse in 2023. As stated in the Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act (IIJA), performance targets must demonstrate constant or improved performance. In addition, similar to last year, MassDOT also developed a 2023-2027 projection to forecast current trends further into the future.

To estimate 2024 fatalities, MassDOT compared data from 2015-2023 to the data available at the time of target setting in July 2024. On average, 55% of annual fatalities occurred between January 1 – July 30 of each year. Therefore, to estimate 2024 fatalities MassDOT divided the number to date by 55%. A 3% annual reduction in fatalities was then assumed to obtain an estimate for 2025, which brings the 2021-2025 5-year rolling average to 365. If this 3% decrease in annual fatalities continues, MassDOT projects the 2023-2027 5-year average to be 315.

As always, although numeric targets have been established following federal guidelines, MassDOT's overarching goal is zero deaths and this goal will be pursued by implementing strategies from the <u>Strategic Highway Safety Plan</u> (SHSP). The Massachusetts SHSP and <u>Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment</u> were both updated and finalized in 2023. These strategies help provide details on how the state will drive down fatalities and serious injuries.

**Fatality Rate:** The fatality rate represents five-year average fatalities divided by five-year average VMTs. The COVID-19 pandemic greatly impacted VMT, causing fatality rates to spike in 2020 with significantly lower VMT and slightly higher fatalities. However, VMT in Massachusetts is returning to pre-pandemic levels and annual projections for 2024 are nearly in line with 2019, while 2025 projections are slightly higher. Consequently, the 5-year average fatality rate is estimated to be 0.58 fatalities per 100 million VMT for 2021-2025. If this trend continues, MassDOT projects a decrease to 0.48 fatalities per 100 million VMT for 2023-2027.



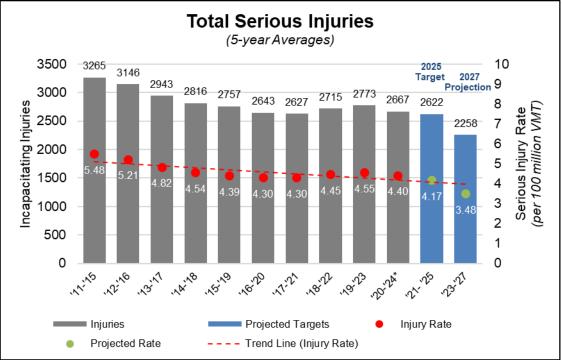
Note: All data as of July 30, 2024

**Total Serious Injuries:** The target setting process began with a trend line projection based on the most recent available data. The 2022 and 2023 serious injury data were not finalized in the statewide crash system during this process, so it is possible these figures will change once that data becomes final.

Due to higher rates of speeding caused by decreased VMT amid pandemic shutdowns in 2020 and the lingering impacts in 2021 and 2022, serious injuries increased relative to previous years. However, Massachusetts began to see this trend reverse in 2023. To estimate 2024 serious injuries, MassDOT compared data from 2015-2023 to the data available at the time of target setting. 2024 serious injuries to date were divided by 55%, the average of serious injuries that occur between January 1 – July 30 each year. A 3% annual reduction in serious injuries was then assumed to obtain an estimate for 2025, which brings the 2021-2025 5-year rolling

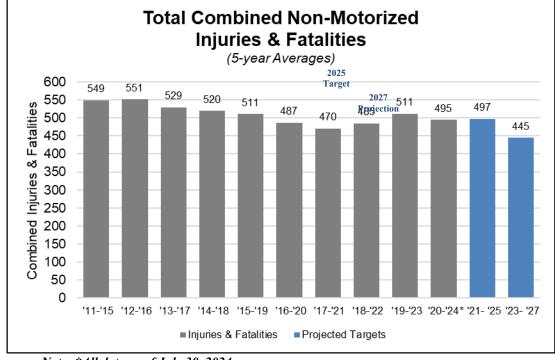
average to 2,622. If this 3% annual decrease continues, the 2023-2027 5-year average of serious injuries will be 2,258.

**Serious Injuries Rate:** Similar to the fatality rate, the rate of serious injuries is trending toward pre-pandemic levels. Following the same methods to derive the 5-year average fatality rate, the 5-year average serious injuries rate is estimated to be 4.17 serious injuries per 100 million VMT for 2021-2025. If this trend continues, MassDOT projects a decrease to 3.48 serious injuries per 100 million VMT for 2023-2027.



Note: All data as of July 30, 2024

**Total Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries:** The number of nonmotorized fatalities and serious injuries has fluctuated greatly in recent years. Non-motorist fatalities, specifically, increased through 2022 and then dropped precipitously, while serious injuries appear to have peaked in 2023 and show signs of decreasing in 2024. On average, 54% of annual non-motorist fatalities and serious injuries occur between January 1 – July 30. Therefore, to estimate 2024 fatalities MassDOT divided the number to date by 54%. Based on the state's increased work and emphasis to protect vulnerable road users, a 5% annual reduction in non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries was then assumed to obtain an estimate for 2025, which brings the 2021-2025 5-year rolling average to 497. If this 5% annual decrease continues, MassDOT projects the 2023-2027 5-year average to be 445.



Note: \*All data as of July 30, 2024

**Note:** The fatality and serious injury data contained here was developed to align with the data included in MassDOT's annual Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) report. As such, historical data may be different from what was reported in prior years.

The targets were developed in coordination with the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS), the Highway Safety Division (HSD), and other sections within MassDOT. Although MassDOT emphasizes that the state's goal is zero fatalities and serious injuries, the state targets presented here are not "goals" but realistic targets considering the events of the last 4+ years. The Secretary of Transportation and Highway Division Administrator for MassDOT approved the targets recognizing that MassDOT must demonstrate short term incremental steps in order to achieve the Commonwealth's goal.

On January 21, 2025, the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization adopted the following Highway Safety (PM1) Targets for CY 2025:

METRIC	TARGET (2021	L- PROJECTION
	2025)	(2023-2027)
Fatalities	365	315
Fatality Rate (per 100 Million VMT)	0.58	0.48
Serious Injuries	2,622	2,258
Serious Injury Rate (Per 100 Million VMT)	4.17	3.48
Nonmotorized Serious Injuries and Fatalities	497	445



### OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL

# Safety Performance Measures

Statewide Trends, Regional Trends, and Old Colony MPO Adopted Safety Performance (PM1) Targets

Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee February 6, 2025

# Performance Targets

In 2016, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) established a rule requiring all State DOTs and MPOs to establish performance measures and set targets in three areas:

- Improving Highway Safety (PM1
- Maintaining Pavement and Bridges in States of Good repair (PM2)
- Reducing Congestion, Improving System Efficiency and Freight Movement (PM3)

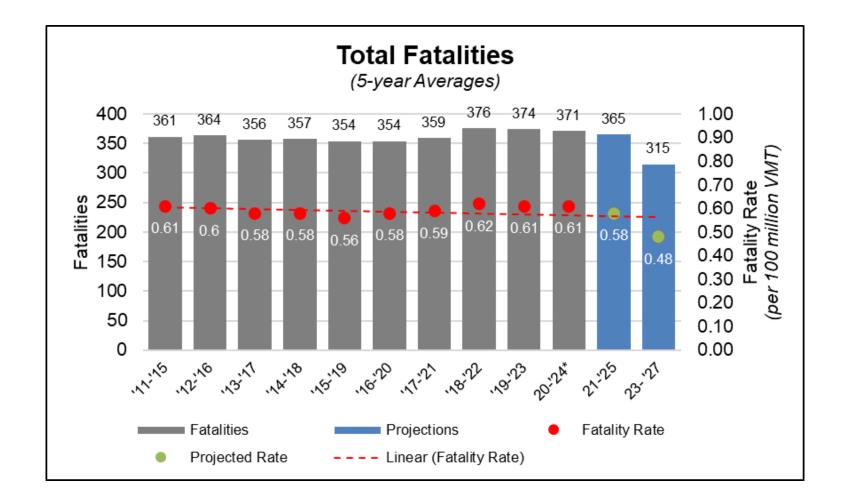
Metropolitan Planning Organizations may opt to adopt Statewide Targets or develop their own.

On January 21, 2025, the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization voted to adopt MassDOT's Safety Performance Targets for CY 2025. Highway Safety Performance (PM1)

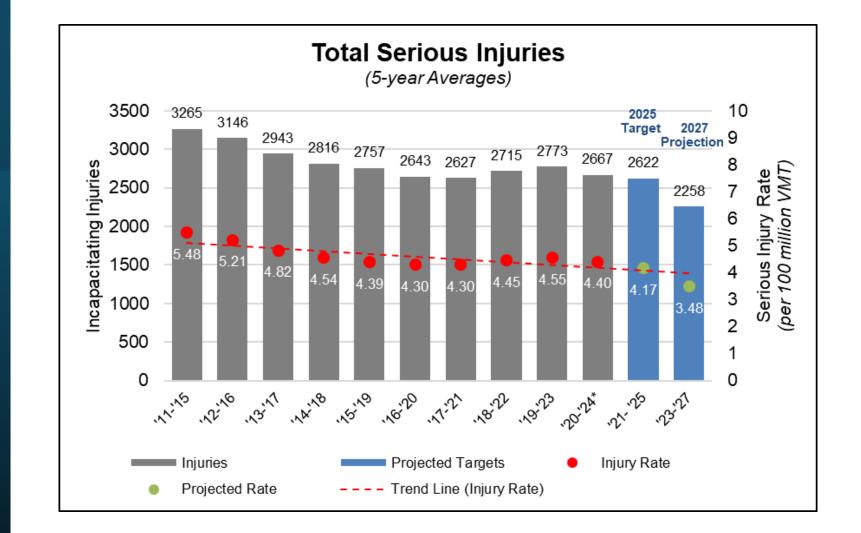
Safety Performance Measures are monitored and Targets set across five categories.

- Total Fatalities
- Fatality Rate (Fatal Crashes per 100 million VMT)
- Total Serious Injuries
- Serious Injury Rate (Serious Injury Crashes per 100 million VMT)
- Combined Fatal and Serious Injuries for Non-Motorized Users

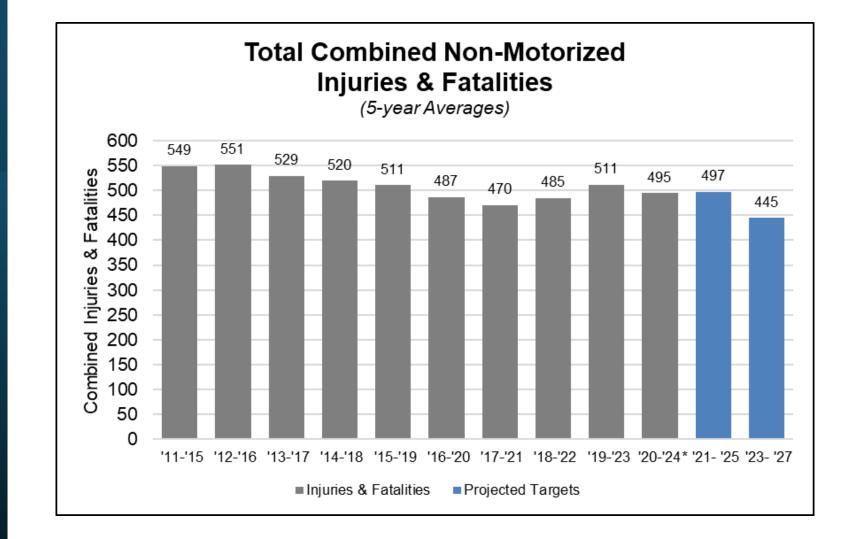
# Total Fatalities



# Total Serious Injuries

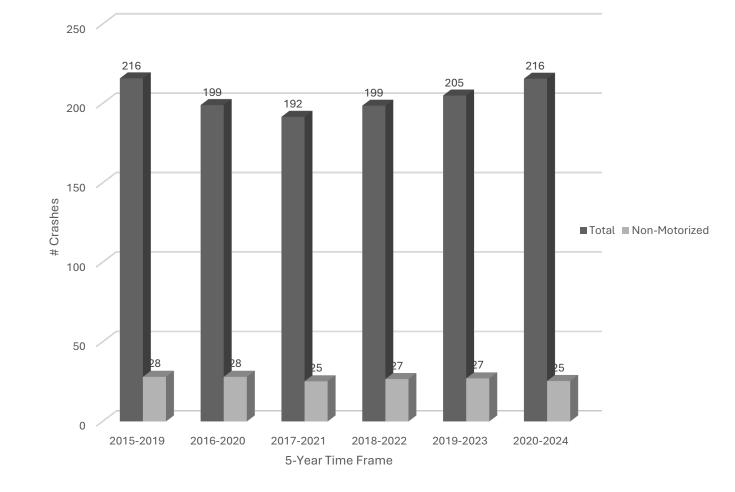


Non-Motorized Injuries and Fatalities



## Old Colony Regional Safety Performance 2015-2024

#### 5-Year Averages Crashes with Fatal or Serious Injuries Old Colony Region



# Adopted CY25 Targets

METRIC	TARGET (2021-2025)	PROJECTION (2023-2027)
Fatalities	365	315
Fatality Rate (per 100 Million VMT)	0.58	0.48
Serious Injuries	2,622	2,258
Serious Injury Rate (Per 100 Million VMT)	4.17	3.48
Nonmotorized Serious Injuries and Fatalities	497	445



### Vision Zero

While the 5-year performance targets for highway safety are the result of trends-based analysis, the goal of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) and the Old Colony Metropolitan Planning Organization is zero preventable highway crashes with fatal or serious injuries.



# Thank You!

• Questions / Comments?

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### February 6, 2025 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 7C Old Colony Safe Street for All (SS4A) Regional Comprehensive Safety (Vision Zero) Action Plan • Project Update

#### **Summary**

Through a Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Discretionary Grant, the Old Colony Planning Council in conjunction with its consultant BETA Group, Inc. is developing a Regional Comprehensive Safety (Vision Zero) Action Plan. This Action Plan includes all seventeen municipalities in the Old Colony Region, allowing them to become eligible for additional Planning and Infrastructure Grants through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law's Safe Streets for All Program.

BETA Group, Inc. has developed a High Injury Network and inventory of priority high-risk locations in each community in the Region. This was the result of a combination of a data driven process along with consultation with the communities and a public meeting that was held in December 2024. Furthermore, municipal officials and the public had the opportunity to review data and input priority locations on an online Dashboard and Interactive Map. A transportation equity analysis of the results of this process is currently underway, along with development of a final report. A draft report will be presented for review this Spring, with a Final Plan adopted by the Old Colony MPO at their June 2025 meeting.

Old Colony Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Comprehensive Safety (Vision Zero) Action Plan

February 6, 2025

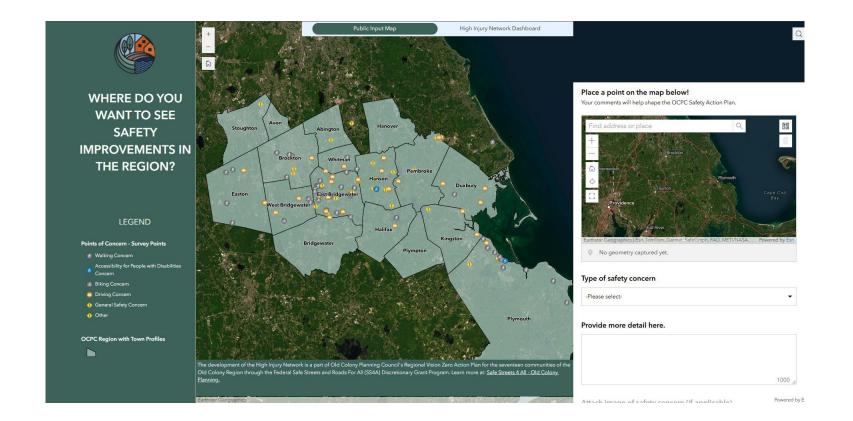


# OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL

Community and Public Engagement

- Individual meetings with seventeen (17) municipalities and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation
- Periodic Updates to JTC, OCPC, and MPO
- Public Meeting December 11, 2024

# Interactive Map and Data Dashboard



## Tasks Completed To Date







Crash Analysis and Development of High Injury Network State of the Practice Review

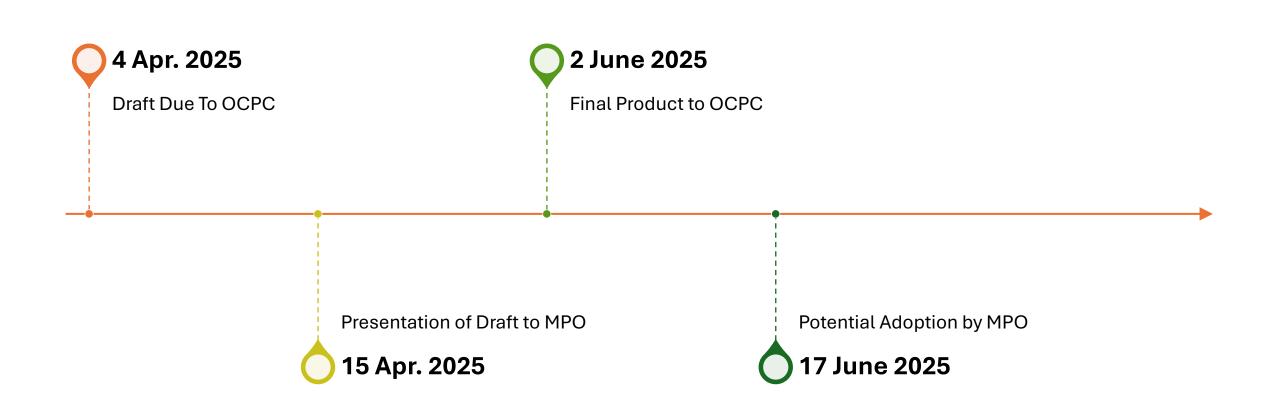
Stakeholder and Public Engagement

### Remaining Tasks In Development



TRANSPORTATION EQUITY REVIEW DEVELOPMENT OF AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT OF FINAL PLAN

# Schedule of Deliverables



### **Questions / Comments?**

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### February 6, 2025 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 2025 Unified Planning Work Program, Old Colony Planning Council provides local traffic planning and technical analysis services to its member communities.

Old Colony Planning Council completed the following studies through the Local Highway Technical Assistance Program:

- Avon Route 28 Road Safety Audit
- Easton Traffic Study for Turnpike Street at Depot Street

The final reports along with all collected data and analysis have been distributed to the municipalities and Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

The City of Brockton has requested a Road Safety Audit for the intersection of Grove Street at Lawrence Street. Old Colony Planning Council is coordinating with the City of Brockton to schedule this Audit in the coming weeks.

The Town of Plympton has requested a traffic study for Elm Street, to assist the Town is speed zoning for this roadway. Data collection is currently planned for February or March, weather depending.

### Project Status Updates

### Brockton

• Grove Street at Lawrence Street Road Safety Audit Collaborating with City to Schedule Road Safety Audit.

### Plympton

• Elm Street Speed Zoning Study Data collection planned.

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.

### February 6, 2025 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 <a href="http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/mepa/">http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/mepa/</a>.

#### **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 #16819 – Proposed Mixed-Use Development – Bridgewater

Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)

EEA #16886 – Washington Street Corridor Improvements – Stoughton, Canton Final Environmental Impact Report Rollover (FEIR)

EEA #16908 – Cyr Street and Norman Avenue Iron and Manganese Water Treatment Plant – West Bridgewater Expanded Environmental Notification Form (EENF)

### **Certificates**

**EEA #16886 – Washington Street Corridor Improvements – Stoughton, Canton** *Expanded Environmental Notification Form (EENF) Certificate*  The Certificate states that this project **requires** an Environmental Impact Report, Rollover Provision.

**EEA #16692 – Plymouth Municipal Airport Runway 6 Extension – Plymouth, Carver** *Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) Certificate* 

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

### EEA #11085R – South Weymouth Naval Air Station Redevelopment Project – Abington, Rockland, Weymouth Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (FSEIR) Certificate

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

**EEA #16896 – Wilkinson/Withington Aquaculture – Plymouth** *Environmental Notification Form (ENF) Certificate* 

The Certificate states that this project **does not require** an Environmental Impact Report

#### **Public Notices**

Notice of Application and Issuance of a Draft Groundwater Discharge Permit – Pembroke – Pembroke High School

Notice of Intent to Initiate an Ecological Restoration Project – Plymouth – 173 & 180 Herring Pond Road (Wetland Restoration)

Notice of Application and Issuance of a Draft Groundwater Discharge Permit – Plymouth – White Cliffs Wastewater Treatment Facility

### February 6, 2025 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 8C Regional Concerns and Local Community Transportation Issues

**Summary** 

Regional Concerns and Local Community Transportation Issues.

### February 6, 2025 Old Colony JTC Meeting Agenda Item 9 Adjournment

**Summary** 

Adjournment.