



Old Colony Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting

August 20, 2025

AGENDA

- Welcome and Introductions
- Guest Speaker: Amber Stearns, Bay Circuit Trail Coordinator, Appalachian Mountain Club
- Guest Speaker: Chief Timothy Kane, Hanover Police Department – E-Bike Concerns
- Guest Speaker: Peter Sutton, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, MassDOT – Bicycle & Pedestrian Gap Analysis Map Overview
- Bike and Ped Projects in the Old Colony Region
- Communications
- Next Meeting(s)
- Adjourn



Amber Stearns, Bay Circuit Trail Coordinator, Appalachian Mountain Club

Websites:

[Appalachian Mountain Club](#)

[Bay Circuit Trail](#)



Chief Timothy Kane, Hanover Police Department

E-Bike Concerns

Website:

[Hanover Police Department](#)
[E-Bike Laws in MA](#)



E-Bike Laws in MA

Class 1: Pedal Assist Only. Assistance stops at 20 mph

Class 2: Has a throttle, stops assistance at 20 mph

- **No license, registration, or license plate is required**
- **If Class 1 or 2 exceed 20 mph, or 750W, may be defined as motorized bicycle, which does require registration**

Where You Can Ride

- **On roadways and bike lanes**
- **On most bike paths and paved trails, unless local jurisdictions prohibit them**

Where you Can't Ride

- **On sidewalks, statewide.**
- **On natural surface trails (e.g., mountain-bike type trails), unless a local authority specifically permits it**

State Parks

- **Only Class 1 E-Bikes are allowed on trails with sufficient width.**



**Peter Sutton, Bicycle & Pedestrian
Coordinator, MassDOT**

Bicycle & Pedestrian Gap Analysis Map Overview

Websites:

[MassDOT Bicycle & Pedestrian Transportation
Gap Analysis Map](#)





Projects in the OCPC Region

Brockton

- 609410 – Intersection Improvements and Related Work at Centre Street (123), Cary Street, and Lyman Street

Cohasset & Plymouth

- 613663 – Bicycle & Pedestrian Improvements at Multiple Locations



Communications

Safe Routes to School Signs and Lines AND Infrastructure Informational Webinar and Launch

Wednesday, September 3, 2025 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

Application Period Opens for Both Programs September 3, 2025. Learn more about both Safe Routes to School infrastructure funding opportunities. The information session will cover eligible projects, the application processes, and will have time to answer questions at the end.

Registration is available at the following:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/KniFd6NLRPSK_c0yhIVAfg



Special Commission on Micromobility - Meeting #3

Tuesday, September 16, 2025, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116

[Session Law Acts of 2024, Chapter 238, Section 306](#) provided for the formation of a Special Commission on Micromobility. The Commission is charged with producing a study that includes:

A review of current state and local laws and regulations for micromobility vehicles;

Recommendations to regulate micromobility vehicles, including on bike paths, sidewalks and shared use paths; and

Recommendations to support the expansion of micromobility vehicle use and innovation including shared micromobility options for municipalities.

The commission shall file a report of its findings and recommendations with the clerks of the senate and house of representatives and the senate and house committees on ways and means not later than December 1, 2025.



MassDOTs Moving Together Conference

October 28, 2025

Sheraton Boston Hotel

39 Dalton St, Boston, MA 02199

Early Bird Registration is Now Open!

Early Bird Registration \$125.00 (until August 21)

Regular Registration \$175.00 (August 22 -October 3)

Walk-In Registration \$250.00 (walk-ins will only be accepted if capacity permits)

Registration Link:

<https://t.e2ma.net/click/c1rvzr/go478amc/893374b>



Next Meeting:
November 19, 2025

