FFY 2026 OLD COLONY MPO UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) AMENDMENT 1

RELEASED TO A 21-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT ON OCTOBER 21, 2025 TO NOVEMBER ENDORSED ON JUNE 17, 2025 BY THE OLD COLONY MPO

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NOTICE OF 21-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD

FFY 2026 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) **AMENDMENT ONE**

Old Colony Planning Council (OCPC) is making the FFY 2026 Old Colony Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Amendment One available for a Public Review and Comment.

The Unified Planning Work Program is an annual statement of work identifying the planning priorities and activities to be carried out within a metropolitan planning area. Copies will be available at https://oldcolonyplanning.org and/or upon request. This process will be used as Brockton Area Transit Authority's (BAT) public participation process. A public meeting of the Old Colony MPO is scheduled for November 18, 2025 at 10:00 AM. Please contact Charles Kilmer at (774) 539-5126 for information.

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Summary

The Old Colony Planning Council (OCPC) has received a \$1,990,620 grant from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to lead the development and implementation of the Old Colony MPO Prioritization Process Pilot Program. The Old Colony MPO Prioritization Process Pilot Program, administered by the Old Colony Planning Council (OCPC), is a comprehensive initiative to develop, test, and institutionalize a structured, transparent, and data-informed system for selecting and advancing transportation projects across the Old Colony MPO region. With a total project cost of \$1,990,620, this program represents a significant opportunity to modernize how transportation investments are planned, ranked, and communicated thus ensuring that public funds are directed toward projects that meet regional needs and long-term objectives.

This effort will formalize a regionwide framework that evaluates projects based on quantifiable criteria, including safety, environmental sustainability, community and municipal support, equitable access, economic development, and resilience. The project aims to unify and strengthen decision-making across multiple planning documents, including the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), and the Public Participation Plan (PPP).

The Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration require that any grants related to planning work be amended into the appropriate regional UPWP. As such, this proposed UPWP Amendment will add the project cited above to the Appendix of the Old Colony MPO's FFY 2026 UPWP. Since this project is grant funded, it will not impact funding for any other studies programmed in the FFY 2026 UPWP.

FFY 2026 UPWP Amendment One:

- OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL PRIORITIZATION PROCESS PILOT PROGRAM (PPPP)
 - Add Project
 - Prioritization Process Pilot Program (PPPP) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) **Discretionary Grant**
 - Total Project Cost is \$1,990,620