

OLD COLONY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

Meeting Minutes of the Old Colony MPO Meeting, May 15, 2018 - 10:00 A.M. At Old Colony Planning Council, 70 School Street, Brockton, MA

Members Present:

Stephen Woelfel, Representing Stephanie Pollack, Secretary and CEO, MassDOT
Pamela Haznar, Representing Jonathan L. Gulliver, Administrator, MassDOT Highway Division
Lee Hartmann, Representing Chairman Kenneth Tavares, Plymouth Board of Selectmen
Eldon Moreira, Vice-Chairman, West Bridgewater Board of Selectmen
Dan Salvucci, Vice-Chairman, Whitman Board of Selectmen
Ray Ledoux, Administrator, Brockton Area Transit Authority (BAT)
Pat Ciaramella, Executive Director, OCPC, Representing Frank Staffier, President, OCPC

Others Present:

Noreen O'Toole, Stoughton
Chris, Iannitelli, West Bridgewater
Glenn Geiler, BAT
Michael Lambert, BAT
Bill Shine, Independence Associates
Timothy Kochan, MassDOT District 5
Robert Wheeler, MassDOT District 5
Derek Krevat, MassDOT Planning
Charles Mills, MassDOT Planning
Shawn Bailey, Old Colony Planning Council
Paul Chenard, Old Colony Planning Council
Ray Guarino, Old Colony Planning Council
Bruce Hughes, Old Colony Planning Council
Charles Kilmer, Old Colony Planning Council
Kyle Mowatt, Old Colony Planning Council
Laurie Muncy, Old Colony Planning Council
Jimmy Pereira, Old Colony Planning Council
Lisa Sullivan, Old Colony Planning Council

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chairperson Woelfel called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. and then read the meeting accessibility statement and the Title VI Notice of Protection Statement. Those in attendance then introduced themselves.

2. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

3. Minutes of the April 17, 2018 Meeting

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Chairperson Woelfel asked if there were any comments or changes regarding the minutes of the April 17, 2018 meeting. There were no comments or changes. The Old Colony MPO then endorsed the minutes of the April 17, 2018 Old Colony MPO Meeting.

4. Brockton Area Transit (BAT) Report

Vice Chairman Ray Ledoux provided a report on BAT activities:

- BAT held four public meetings regarding the potential fare increase. One was held in Stoughton, two were held at the BAT Centre, and one was held in Rockland.
- The fare increase will go into effect in July. The base fare will be increasing from \$1.25 to \$1.50.
- BAT is looking to increase parking rates at the Intermodal Centre from \$3 to \$4.
- BAT will be applying for funds to provide service in Stoughton. There may be a service change in Bridgewater and Plymouth.
- BAT is expecting the delivery of 12 new transit coaches in June.

Bill shine asked why funds are being cut for the Paratransit. Ray Ledoux explained that those funds are not being cut. Discussion followed.

5. Old Colony MPO Self-Certification Compliance Statement

▪ Review and Potential Endorsement

In order to provide due consideration, Charles Kilmer presented and discussed the Old Colony MPO Self-Certification Compliance Statement. The State and the MPO shall certify at least every 4 years that the metropolitan transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with all applicable requirements including:

1. 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, and this subpart;
2. In nonattainment and maintenance areas, sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506 (c) and (d)) and 40 CFR part 93;
3. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
4. 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;
5. Section 1101(b) of the FAST Act (Pub. L. 114-357) and 49 CFR part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in USDOT funded projects;
6. 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
7. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) and 49 CFR parts 27, 37, and 38;
8. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
9. Section 324 of title 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and,
10. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

Chairperson Woelfel asked if there were any questions or comments. Chairperson Woelfel then asked if

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there was a motion to endorse the Old Colony MPO Self-Certification Compliance Statement. A motion was made and was seconded.

The Old Colony MPO then voted unanimously to endorse the Old Colony MPO Self-Certification Compliance Statement.

6. Draft FFY 2019 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

▪ Public Comments and Potential Endorsement

Charles Kilmer discussed the comments received for the Draft FFY 2019 UPWP, and referred to the attached Public Comment Matrix. Charles Kilmer reported that attached to the staff report is a Revised Draft FFY 2019 UPWP that is reflective of the public comments. The comments received are as follows:

- Old Colony Planning Council Board of Directors - The Old Colony Planning Council Board of Directors reviewed and approved the Draft FFY 2019 UPWP.
- David Mohler - MassDOT-Office of Transportation Planning
 - Please indicate under which specific task(s) you will develop an inventory of gaps within the regional bicycle network.
 - Task 1100 - Under “products,” please specify which Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) will be addressed and whether you plans to consider an update to your 2011 3C MOU.
 - Task 1500 - Under “Procedures,” please specify how you will promote access to the public planning process for those with limited English proficiency.
 - Task 2100 - Please ensure consistency in the years of data sources between the “procedures” and “products” sections.
 - Task 4100 - Please provide more detail regarding the needs assessment mentioned under the “procedures” section.
 - Task 4200 - Please define the acronym CRTP. Please provide more specificity with regard to potential projects (under “procedures”) and projects that you know will occur (under “products”).
 - Please check document for consistency in punctuation, capitalization, grammar and typos (e.g., page 20).
 - Please ensure that all relevant tasks are performed with input from MassDOT District 5.
- Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee (JTC) - The Old Colony JTC reviewed and approved the Draft FFY 2019 Old Colony UPWP.

Chairperson Woelfel asked if there is a motion to endorse the Draft FFY 2019 UPWP. A motion was made and then seconded.

The Old Colony MPO then voted unanimously to endorse the Draft FFY 2019 UPWP.

7. FFY 2018-2022 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments and/ or Adjustments

Charles Kilmer stated that there are no Amendments or Adjustments identified at this time.

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8. Draft FFY 2019-2023 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

▪ Public Comments and Potential Endorsement

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Narrative

- Page 3 - The narrative should include references to the FHWA required Transportation Asset Management Plan (TAMP) which is being developed by MassDOT to address pavement and bridge conditions on the NHS system.
- For the section on adopting MassDOT's safety performance measures (pages 8 - 10), please include the graphs containing statewide data in addition to the ones you currently have that contain regional data. Also, please delete the word "years" on page 9 following the descriptions of the targets for both the number and rate of fatalities.
- Page 10 - Please note that the Surface Transportation Program (STP) is now known as the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) under the FAST Act.
- Please adjust the table numbering. It currently jumps from Table 4 on page 22 to Table 6 on page 25, without any Table 5.

Highway Project Listing

FFY2019

- 607941 - Please update the Total Cost in the Additional Information column.
- 608143 - Please revise the funding sources to include \$1,139,886 of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding and \$79,020 of Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funding.

FFY2020

- 606143 - Please revise the funding sources to include \$2,826,403 in STP and \$1,139,886 of CMAQ.
- 608086 - Please change the funding split to 80% federal and 20% state.
- 608088 - Please revise the funding sources to include \$4,881,399 of Surface Transportation Program (STP) funding and \$386,938 of HSIP funding. Additionally, in Section 2B, please update the Additional Information column to match Section 1A.

FFY2021

- 607217 - Please revise the funding sources to include \$6,405,785 of STP, \$344,808 of Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funding, and \$1,139,886 of CMAQ.

FFY2022

- 607403 - Please revise the funding sources to include \$4,239,239 of STP, \$344,808 of TAP, and \$455,954 of HSIP.
- Please remove 608498 (Hingham - Weymouth - Braintree Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 53).

FFY2023

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- 600380 - Please revise the funding sources to include \$6,554,751 of STP, \$344,808 of TAP, and \$1,139,886 of CMAQ.

Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Assessment

FFY 2020 Highway

- The Intersection Improvements section is not pulling the impact number for project 608086 into the total quantified impact line at the bottom of the section, and therefore it is not included in the total quantified line at the bottom of the sheet.

FFY 2022 Highway

- Project 608498 should be labeled as a qualitative decrease.

Completed Highway Projects

- Project 607175 should be labeled as a qualitative decrease.
- Projects 607337, 607438, and 607860 are labeled as quantified but do not have an impact number.

- Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee (JTC) - The Old Colony JTC reviewed and approved the Draft FFY 2019-2023 Old Colony TIP.

Charles Kilmer then summarized the project listing for the Draft FFY 2019-2023 Old Colony TIP. The projects are as follows:

FFY 2019

- Abington/ Brockton - North Quincy Street, Chestnut Street, and Boundary Avenue Roundabout and Geometric Improvements (608143)
- East Bridgewater - Resurfacing and Sidewalk Construction on Bedford Street (Route 18), from Whitman Street (Route 106) to Central Street (607941)

FFY 2020

- Brockton - Corridor Improvements on Route 123 (Belmont Street), from Angus Beaton Drive to West Street (608088)
- Brockton - Intersection Improvements @ Crescent Street (Route 27)/ Quincy Street/ Massasoit Boulevard (606143)
- Avon - Intersection Improvements at Harrison Boulevard and Pond Street (608086)

FFY 2021

- Easton - Route 123 (Depot Street) Reconstruction from Newell Circle to Route 138 (607217)
- Stoughton - Improvements at West Elementary School (SRTS) (608829)
- Kingston - Bridge Replacement, K-01-014, Smiths Lane Over Route 3 (Pilgrim Highway) (608615)

FFY 2022

- Bridgewater - Brockton - Pavement Preservation and Related Work on Route 24 (608820)
- Stoughton - Corridor Improvements on Route 138 (607403)
- Stoughton - Intersection Improvements and Related Work at Central Street, Canton Street and Tosca Drive (608279)

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FFY 2023

- Avon - Stoughton - Pavement Preservation and Related Work on Route 24 (608496)
- Brockton - Route 123 (Centre Street) at Plymouth Street Signalization and Geometric Improvements (609052)
- Pembroke - Rehabilitation of Route 36 (Center Street) from Route 27 to Route 14 (600380)

Charles Kilmer then stated that Project #608266 - Pembroke - Resurfacing & Related Work on Route 53 could possibly be a replacement project if one of the 2018 projects is not ready to go. Chairperson Woelfel asked if there is a motion to endorse the Draft FFY 2019-2023 Old Colony TIP.

Chairperson Woelfel then asked if there is a motion to endorse the Draft FFY 2019-2023 TIP. A motion was made and then seconded.

The Old Colony MPO then voted unanimously to endorse the Draft FFY 2019-2023 TIP.

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

Charles Kilmer stated that the next MPO Meeting is scheduled for June 19.

Charles Kilmer stated that MassDOT is holding a series of public meetings for the Capital Investment Plan (CIP). A flyer describing the CIP and listing the meetings is attached to the staff report.

Eldon Moreira announced that West Bridgewater would be looking to install traffic lights at the intersection of East Center Street (Route 106) & East Street depending on the approval at West Bridgewater's Annual Town Meeting.

10. Adjournment

Chairperson Woelfel adjourned the meeting at 10:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle Mowatt

Kyle Mowatt, Transportation Planner

List of Documents for the May 15, 2018 Old Colony MPO Meeting

- Minutes of April 17, 2018 Old Colony MPO Meeting
- Staff Report for May 15, 2018 Old Colony MPO Meeting Agenda Items