



# Franklin Regional Council of Governments

## Franklin County Transportation Planning Organization

Date:	April 24, 2018
Time:	12:30
Location:	12 Olive Street, Greenfield, MA
Duration:	55 minutes
Facilitator:	Bryan Pounds, Chair

**FCTPO Members in Attendance:**

- Bryan Pounds, MassDOT and representing Secretary Stephanie Pollack
- Richard Masse, MassDOT–District 2 and representing Highway Administrator Jonathan Gulliver
- Lance Fritz, Franklin Regional Transit Authority, Chair
- Kevin Fox, FRCOG Executive Committee
- Bill Perlman, FRCOG Regionally Elected Representative
- Tom Miner, FRPB

**Guests:**

- Mark Moore, MassDOT – District 1
- Peter Frieri, MassDOT – District 1
- Laura Hanson, MassDOT– District 2
- Jeff Hoynoski, MassDOT- District 2
- Gabe Sherman, MassDOT – OTP
- Michael Perreault - Franklin Regional Transit Authority

**Staff:**

- Linda Dunlavy, Executive Director
- Peggy Sloan, Director of Planning & Development
- Maureen Mullaney, Transportation & GIS Program Manager II
- Beth Giannini, Senior Transportation Planner II
- Laurie Scarbrough, Transportation Planning Engineer
- Megan Rhodes, Senior Transportation/Land Use Planner
- Ann Dunne, Assistant Planner

**1 – Welcome and Introductions: Bryan Pounds (Chair)**

The Chair, Bryan Pounds called the meeting to order at 12:30 pm. A round of introductions followed.

**2 – Review and Approval of March 27, 2018 Meeting Minutes**

Bill Perlman MOVED to approve the March 27, 2018 minutes. Lance Fritz seconded.

The following amendment was made:

Page 3: Strike “Secretary of State”, and replace with “Secretary of Transportation”.

*The motion as amended was unanimously approved.*

**3 – Review and vote to release for 21-day public comment period a 2018- 2022 TIP Amendment #3: Laurie Scarbrough.**

Laurie reviewed the draft amendments to the 2018- 2022 TIP. Laurie noted that the Erving project remains in the FFY2018 TIP.

**AMENDMENTS**

**FFY 2018, Highway Section 1A – Regionally Prioritized Projects**

- Charlemont – Roadway Reconstruction and Village Center Traffic Calming on Route 2, from MM 29.5 to MM 31.0 *Move the project* to the FFY2019 TIP; total project cost \$6,543,238.
- Erving - Streetscape & Pedestrian Improvements on Route 63 from River Street to 1,200 ft. North of Lillian Way (1 mile). *Increase target cost* from \$185,223 to \$524,255; total cost increase from \$635,223 to \$974,255. Project funded with CMAQ and Sec. 115 earmark (\$450,000).
- Shelburne –*Project to be added* - resurfacing and related work on Route 2. Total project cost \$5,000,000; TEC score 4.9.

**FFY 2020, Highway Section 2A – Bridge Program**

- Orange –*Remove project* - Bridge replacement, Route 2 over Route 202.
- Bernardston – Bridge Replacement, U.S. Route 5 (Brattleboro Road) over Shattuck Brook [On-System (Non-NHS)] *Decrease cost* by \$127,986 from \$3,121,200 to \$2,993,214.

### **FFY 2021, Highway Section 2A – Bridge Program**

- Deerfield – Bridge Preservation, on Upper Road over the Deerfield River. *Decrease cost by \$786,144 from \$7,337,344 to \$6,551,200.*
- Orange - *Remove project* - Bridge Replacement-Route 2 over Route 202.
- Colrain – *Remove project* - Bridge Deck Preservation, Route 112 over the North River. (Systematic Maintenance).

### **FFY 2022, Highway Section 2A – Bridge Program**

- Greenfield - Bridge Replacement project on I-91 (NB & SB) over BMRR (On-System (NHS)) *Increase cost by \$3,481,913 from \$17,082,074 to \$20,563,987.*

Bryan Pounds noted the new target date for Orange Bridge Replacement Project is 2024.

*Bill Perlman MOVED to approve for release for 21-day public comment period the 2018- 2022 TIP Amendment # 3. Lance Fritz seconded. The motion was UNANIMOUSLY approved*

### **4 - Review and vote to release for 21-day public comment period the FFY2019-2023 TIP : Laurie Scarbrough**

Laurie presented the 2019-2023 Transportation Improvement Program for review and vote to release for 21-day public comment. Laurie noted the Erving project remains part of the FFY2018 TIP.

Following the discussion at the March 27, 2018 meeting, Laurie highlighted the following projects, as previously discussed.

#### **FFY2019**

- Charlemont – Roadway Reconstruction and village center traffic calming on Route 2, from MM 29.9 to MM 31.0. Total cost \$5.2M.

#### **FFY2020**

- Colrain – Intersection Improvements - Main Road, Jacksonville Road (Route 112) & Greenfield Road. Total project costs \$1,563,692.
- Deerfield – Whately Resurfacing & Related work on Routes 5 & 10, from Old State Road to Conway Rd (1.1 miles). Total project costs \$2,004,886.
- Sunderland – Resurfacing & Related work on a section of North Main Street (Route 47), from Route 116 to Claybrook Drive. Total project costs \$2,131,681.

#### **Bridge Replacement Projects:**

- Charlemont – Bridge Replacement, C 05-037, West Oxbow Rd over Wilder Brook.
- Charlemont -- Bridge Replacement, C 05-008, Tower Rd over the Chickley River. Total project cost \$2,706,000
- Bernardston – Bridge Replacement, B 10-004, Route 5 (Brattleboro Rd) over Shattuck Brook. Total project cost \$2,993,214
- Deerfield – Whately – Resurfacing & Related work on Route 5 & 10, from Old State Rd to Conway Rd (1.1 miles). Total project costs \$2,004,886.

## **FFY2021 Projects:**

- Buckland – Reconstruction & Minor Widening on Conway Street, South St & Conway Road. The new total project cost decreased to \$5,572,800.

### Bridge Replacement Projects.

- Deerfield – Bridge Preservation D-06- 001, Upper Road over Deerfield River. Construction; Total Project cost \$6,551,200
- Northfield - Construct Bike/Ped Bridge to replace N-22-002, Schell Bridge over the Connecticut River. Total project costs \$17,390,041.

## **FFY2022 Projects:**

- Greenfield- Intersection improvements at two locations, Route 2 and Colrain Road & Route 2 and the Big Y entrance. Total project cost of \$1,981,822.
- Whately- Rehabilitation of Haydenville Road, from Conway road to the Williamsburg T.L.(1.7 miles)  
Total project cost of \$1,800,000.
- Buckland- Construction of bicycle shoulders on route 112, from Mohawk Trail Regional High School to North Street, to the Buckland Recreation Area. Total project cost of \$1,500,000.

### Bridge Replacement Projects.

- Leverett- Bridge Replacement, Millers Road over Roaring Brook. Total project cost \$1,128,912
- Rowe- Bridge Replacement, Cyrus Stage Road over Potter Brook. Total project cost \$1,990,560
- Charlemont- Bridge Replacement, East Oxbow Road over Oxbow Brook. Total project cost \$1,396,176
- Greenfield- Bridge Replacement, I-91 (NB & SB) over BMRR. Total project cost \$20,563,987
- Northfield- Construct Bike/Ped Bridge to replace N-22-002, Schell Bridge Over The Connecticut River. Total Cost \$17,390,041.

The Orange Project moved from FFY2019 to FFY2023 TIP.

- Orange- Reconstruction of North Main Street, from School Street to Lincoln Avenue(0.4 miles), incl. relocation of Fall Hill Brook culvert.
- Conway- Bridge Replacement, C-20- 003, North Poland Road Over Poland Brook. Total project cost \$4,139,808

Laurie also reviewed the Transit Project List (FY2019- FY2023). Laurie noted the annual total costs vary depending on capital maintenance items.

Linda Dunlavy expressed concerns about the Charlemont project staying on target, and asked MassDOT to resolve the right of way issues and to provide intermittent updates.

*Bill Perlman MOVED to approve for release for 21-day public comment period the FY2019 -FY2023 TIP Highway and the (TIP) Transit Project List (FY2019 – FY2023). Richard Masse seconded. The motion was UNANIMOUSLY approved.*

**5 – Review and vote to release for 21-day public comment period the 2019 Unified Planning Work Program: Megan Rhodes**

Megan presented the draft 2019 Unified Planning Work Program for review and vote to release for a 21-day public comment period. Megan noted many of the tasks continue from year to year, but some tasks are unique to the current fiscal year. She reviewed all of the tasks, but spent the most time explaining those projects specific to FY 2019. The full draft UPWP can be viewed on the FRCOG website.

<b>3</b>	<b>TRANSPORTATION PLANNING STUDIES</b>	
3.1	Update to the Regional Transportation Plan	\$90,000
3.2	Study of Inter-regional Connections in Tri-State Region	\$10,000
3.3	Update of the Most Hazardous Intersections	\$23,000
3.4	Bicycle Public Safety Campaign	\$20,000
3.5	Inventory of Recreational/Active Transportation Assets	\$20,000
3.6	Marketing & Monitoring of New Passenger Rail Service	\$20,000
	<b>Task 3 Subtotal</b>	<b>\$183,000</b>

*Bill Perlman MOVED to approve for release for a 21-day public comment period the 2019 Unified Planning Work Program. Lance Fritz seconded. The motion was UNANIMOUSLY approved*

**6 – Review of the MOU Establishing and Governing the FCTPO: Maureen Mullaney**

Maureen presented a proposed amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) establishing the TPO for review and discussion. Per the MOU, periodic updates are required. Maureen noted the MOU was originally executed in 1974, and updated in 2009 and 2010. Proposed changes include updates and clarifying language to reflect the current year, and additional language related to performance measures.

Bryan Pounds noted that other regions are also updating their MOUs, and further guidance will be forthcoming on the best information to include in the update. As such, he recommended waiting for further notice before proceeding with an amendment.

**7 – Updates from MassDOT District 1 & District 2**

**Peter Frieri: District 1**

Peter reviewed the status of the TIP Projects.

**FFY2017 Projects**

- Shelburne BR replacement at Bardwells Ferry Road over Dragon Brook. JH Maxymillian was awarded the contract on 2/21/18. The NTP was issued to JH Maxymillian, Inc. on 4/5/2018.

### **FFY2018 Projects**

- Shelburne – Resurfacing and related work on Route 2 – the District is currently preparing combined 25-75% design submission.

### **FFY2019 Projects**

- Charlemont resurface and Traffic Calming at Rt. 2 (Main St), the culvert rehabilitation over Rice Brook. The revised Right-of-Way plan was submitted in Sept. 2017, and anticipates a submittal of 75% design by April 2018.

### **Laura Hanson: District 2**

Laura reviewed the status of the TIP Projects.

#### **FFY2018 TIP Projects:**

- Erving — Streetscape and Pedestrian Improvements on Route 63, current adv. date is 9/1/2018.

Linda requested the committee receive regular project updates.

#### **Construction Projects:**

- Deerfield-Bernardston - Greenfield-Interstate Maintenance & Related Work on Route 91. The notice to proceed was issued on 3/23/2018, and a preconstruction meeting was held on 4/9/2018; the physical start in the field is currently underway.
- Greenfield — Nash Mill Road over the Green River- Advertised on 4/7/2018, and has a bid opening date of 6/12/2018.
- Orange - Bridge Replacement on Holtshire Road over Millers River. The notice to proceed was issued on 4/19/2018; a preconstruction meeting was held and the physical start in the field should be happening soon.
- Deerfield — Bridge Preservation - McClellan Farm Road over the B&M Railroad. — Update from the RE as of Friday: "The contractor (MG Corporation) continues to install temporary support of excavation at the North and South existing abutments. Demolition of the existing West side wing walls is near completion with only the bottom section of the existing wing wall to still be removed.

MassDOT will release the draft CIP in May.

## **8 – Update from FRCOG: Linda Dunlavy**

Linda highlighted several FRCOG lead projects:

- The Annual Report is complete and ready for distribution.
- The FRCOG will host a bike breakfast during Bike Week. The breakfast is scheduled for Tuesday, May 15 from 7:30-10 a.m. at the John W. Olver Transit Center, and invited everyone to participate.
- Census workshop was held recently – and noted the importance of the 2020 Census.
- Traffic Counting Program - The FRCOG is able to use the traffic counting equipment to conduct local traffic counts at no charge to our communities and support ongoing planning studies. The count season runs between May and October, and solicitation of requests is underway.

**9 – Update from FRTA: Michael Perreault**

Michael Perreault reviewed current FRTA activities:

- The findings from the public hearings, held to discuss the necessary reduction in services required to balance the budget, will be tabulated for the Advisory Board to review.
- A \$6m Federal Grant through MassDOT was awarded to help with the construction costs of the new maintenance facility.

**10 – Update from FRPB:**

None

**11 – Public Comments**

None

**12 –Additional business not reasonably anticipated within 48 hours.**

None

**12 – Next meeting/Adjourn**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the TPO is May 22, 2018 at 12:00pm (noon).

Lance Fritz MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Bill Perlman SECONDED. The meeting adjourned at 1:25pm.