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Amendment #5 Highway & Transit Project Listings & Summary Materials

Proposed Amendment #5 to the 2024 to 2028 TIP Highway & Transit Lists

Highway (FFY 2024):

- Increase cost of Project **612098 Upton/Grafton – Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 140** from \$5,100,000 to \$5,817,840. It is an increase of \$717,840.
 - MassDOT Comments: Add Hopedale to the project description and increase the cost another \$1,082,160 for a new total of \$6,900,000.
- Increase Cost of Project **609528 Grafton – Millbury Street Improvements (SRTS)** from \$1,931,230 to \$3,177,661. It is an increase of \$1,246,431.

Transit (FFY 2024):

- Add Project **WRTA011811: Worcester Regional Transit Authority – Buy Replacement Van (7)** to FFY 2024. \$202,068 will be funded by 5307 and \$40,413 will be funded by Toll Development Credits (TDC).



Central Mass Region Program

STIP: 2024 - 2028 (D)

Year	MassDOT Project ID	MPO	Municipality	MassDOT Project Description	District	Funding Source	Total Programmed Funds	Federal Funds	Non-Federal Funds	Other Information
Federal Fiscal Year 2024							\$89,435,074	\$72,878,860	\$16,556,214	
Section 1A / Regionally Prioritized Projects							\$26,423,388	\$21,138,710	\$5,284,678	
Roadway Reconstruction							\$18,711,388	\$14,969,110	\$3,742,278	
2024	606517	Central Mass	West Brookfield	WEST BROOKFIELD- RESURFACING & RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 9, FROM WARE T.L. TO 850' WEST OF WELCOME ROAD (1.1 MILES - PHASE I)	2	STBG	\$7,438,636	\$5,950,909	\$1,487,727	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$8,076,826, Design Status = 100%, PM Score = 10 out of 27
2024	606517	Central Mass	West Brookfield	WEST BROOKFIELD- RESURFACING & RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 9, FROM WARE T.L. TO 850' WEST OF WELCOME ROAD (1.1 MILES - PHASE I)	2	TAP	\$648,738	\$518,990	\$129,748	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$8,076,826, Design Status = 100%, PM Score = 10 out of 27
2024	608171	Central Mass	Uxbridge	UXBRIDGE- RECONSTRUCTION OF ROUTE 122 (SOUTH MAIN STREET), FROM SUSAN PARKWAY TO ROUTE 16	3	STBG	\$10,124,014	\$8,099,211	\$2,024,803	Construction, STBG + TAP Total Project Cost = \$10,624,014, Design Status = 100%, PM Score = 11 out of 27
2024	608171	Central Mass	Uxbridge	UXBRIDGE- RECONSTRUCTION OF ROUTE 122 (SOUTH MAIN STREET), FROM SUSAN PARKWAY TO ROUTE 16	3	TAP	\$500,000	\$400,000	\$100,000	Construction, STBG + TAP Total Project Cost = \$10,624,014, Design Status = 100%, PM Score = 11 out of 27
Intersection Improvements							\$7,617,000	\$6,093,600	\$1,523,400	
2024	608433	Central Mass	Webster	WEBSTER- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT I-395 RAMPS (EXIT 2) AT ROUTE 16 (EAST MAIN STREET) AND SUTTON ROAD	3	CMAQ	\$2,000,000	\$1,600,000	\$400,000	Construction, CMAQ + STBG + Statewide HSIP Total Project Cost = \$14,945,008, Design Status = 75%, PM Score 17 out of 27, State & Target funds being used
2024	608433	Central Mass	Webster	WEBSTER- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT I-395 RAMPS (EXIT 2) AT ROUTE 16 (EAST MAIN STREET) AND SUTTON ROAD	3	STBG	\$5,617,000	\$4,493,600	\$1,123,400	Construction, CMAQ + STBG + Statewide HSIP Total Project Cost = \$14,945,008, Design Status = 75%, PM Score 17 out of 27, State & Target funds being used
Transit Grant Program							\$20,000	\$16,000	\$4,000	
2024	S12816	Central Mass	Southbridge	PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION MULTI-MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN		CMAQ	\$20,000	\$16,000	\$4,000	Total Project Cost = \$20,000, Project is part of Micro-Projects Program
Flex to FTA							\$75,000	\$60,000	\$15,000	
2024	S12815	Central Mass	Ware	TOWN OF WARE- PURCHASE OF HYBRID MINIVAN FOR QUABOAG VALLEY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (QVDC)		CMAQ	\$75,000	\$60,000	\$15,000	Total Project Cost = \$75,000, New bus purchase by Town of Ware on behalf of the Quaboag Valley Community Development Corporation (QVDC), Project is part of Micro-Projects Program. Local match will be provided by the Town of Ware/QVDC.
							CMAQ Programmed	\$2,095,000	\$1,676,000	\$419,000
							STBG Programmed	\$23,179,650	\$18,543,720	\$4,635,930
							TAP Programmed	\$1,148,738	\$918,990	\$229,748

*Only includes funds counting against obligation authority

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Total Programmed for Central Mass Region Projects*							\$26,423,388	\$21,138,710	\$5,284,678	
Program Target for Central Mass Region Projects							\$26,423,388	\$21,138,710	\$5,284,678	
Target Funds Available for Central Mass Region Projects							\$0	\$0	\$0	
Section 1B / Earmark or Discretionary Grant Funded Projects							\$9,323,151	\$7,458,521	\$1,864,630	
Bridge On-system Non-NHS NB							\$3,323,151	\$2,658,521	\$664,630	
2024	609179	Central Mass	Spencer	SPENCER- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, S-23-012, NORTH SPENCER ROAD (ROUTE 31) OVER THE SEVEN MILE RIVER	3	HIP-BR	\$3,323,151	\$2,658,521	\$664,630	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$3,323,151, Design Status = 75%
Bridge Systematic Maintenance NB							\$6,000,000	\$4,800,000	\$1,200,000	
2024	613179	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER- BRIDGE PRESERVATION, W-44-117 (1XC), ARARAT STREET OVER I-190	3	HIP-BR	\$3,600,000	\$2,880,000	\$720,000	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$3,600,000, Design Status = Approved
2024	613180	Central Mass	Northborough	NORTHBOROUGH- BRIDGE PRESERVATION, N-20-025 (1R8, 1R9), I-290 OVER MDC AQUEDUCT AND CSX RAILROAD	3	HIP-BR	\$2,400,000	\$1,920,000	\$480,000	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$2,400,000, Design Status = Approved
Section 2A / State Prioritized Reliability Projects							\$24,178,450	\$19,940,760	\$4,237,690	
Non-Interstate Pavement							\$5,817,840	\$4,654,272	\$1,163,568	
2024	612098	Central Mass	Multiple	HOPEDALE-UPTON- GRAFTON- RESURFACING AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 140	3	NHPP	\$100000 \$5,817,840 \$6,900,000	4080000 \$4,654,272 \$5,520,000	1020000 \$1,163,568 \$1,380,000	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$5,100,000, Design Status = Approved
Bridge Off-system							\$12,380,610	\$9,904,488	\$2,476,122	
2024	608640	Central Mass	Multiple	SUTTON- GRAFTON- BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION/REHABILITATION, S-33-004, DEPOT STREET OVER THE BLACKSTONE RIVER	3	STBG-BR-Off	\$12,380,610	\$9,904,488	\$2,476,122	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$12,380,610, Design Status = 75%
Interstate Pavement							\$5,980,000	\$5,382,000	\$598,000	
2024	612087	Central Mass	Multiple	AUBURN- OXFORD - RESURFACING AND RELATED WORK ON I-290 AND I-395	3	NHPP-I	\$5,980,000	\$5,382,000	\$598,000	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$5,980,000, Design Status = Approved

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Federal Fiscal Year 2024							\$89,435,074	\$72,878,860	\$16,556,214	
Section 2B / State Prioritized Modernization Projects							\$29,510,085	\$24,340,869	\$5,169,216	
Roadway Reconstruction							\$19,004,416	\$15,203,533	\$3,800,883	
2024	602659	Central Mass	Multiple	CHARLTON- OXFORD- RECONSTRUCTION ON ROUTE 20, FROM RICHARDSON'S CORNER EASTERLY TO ROUTE 12, INCLUDES REHAB OF C-06-023 & REPLACEMENT OF O-06-002	3	CMAQ	\$123,655	\$98,924	\$24,731	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$78,222,752, CMAQ + NHPP + STBG Project is AC'd between 2022 and 2025, PM Score = 22 out of 27, Advertised on 4/23/22
2024	602659	Central Mass	Multiple	CHARLTON- OXFORD- RECONSTRUCTION ON ROUTE 20, FROM RICHARDSON'S CORNER EASTERLY TO ROUTE 12, INCLUDES REHAB OF C-06-023 & REPLACEMENT OF O-06-002	3	NHPP	\$7,956,218	\$6,364,974	\$1,591,244	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$78,222,752, CMAQ + NHPP + STBG Project is AC'd between 2022 and 2025, PM Score = 22 out of 27, Advertised on 4/23/22
2024	606517	Central Mass	West Brookfield	WEST BROOKFIELD- RESURFACING & RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 9, FROM WARE T.L. TO 850' WEST OF WELCOME ROAD (1.1 MILES - PHASE I)	2	TAP	\$1,574,365	\$1,259,492	\$314,873	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$8,076,826, Design Status = 100%, PM Score = 10 out of 27
2024	608814	Central Mass	Spencer	SPENCER- RESURFACING AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 9	3	NHPP	\$9,350,178	\$7,480,142	\$1,870,036	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$9,350,178, Design Status = 75%
Intersection Improvements							\$7,328,008	\$6,595,207	\$732,801	
2024	608433	Central Mass	Webster	WEBSTER- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT I-395 RAMPS (EXIT 2) AT ROUTE 16 (EAST MAIN STREET) AND SUTTON ROAD	3	HSIP	\$7,328,008	\$6,595,207	\$732,801	Construction, CMAQ + STBG + Statewide HSIP Total Project Cost = \$14,945,008, Design Status = 75%, PM Score 17 out of 27, State & Target funds being used
Safe Routes to School							\$3,177,661	\$2,542,129	\$635,532	
2024	609528	Central Mass	Grafton	GRAFTON- MILLBURY STREET IMPROVEMENTS (SRTS)	3	TAP	1931230 \$3,177,661	1544984 \$2,542,129	386246 \$635,532	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$1,931,230, Design Status = 100%



STIP Investments Report

Program Activity: Transit, Worcester Regional Transit Authority

STIP: 2024 - 2028 (D)

Year	MassDOT Project ID	Municipality	Program	MassDOT Project Description	Funding Source	Total Project Cost	Total Programmed Funds	Federal Funds	State Funds	Other Funds	Project Score	FTA Line Item	Other Information
Federal Fiscal Year 2024							\$40,990,538	\$27,259,350	\$12,583,203	\$1,147,985			
Worcester Regional Transit Authority							\$40,990,538	\$27,259,350	\$12,583,203	\$1,147,985			
2024	RTD0010854		Operating	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Operating Assistance - Fixed Route and Paratransit	5307	\$99,153,755	\$10,066,359	\$10,066,359				30.09.01	Operating Assistance to provide fixed-route and paratransit service throughout WRTA area.
2024	RTD0010854		Operating	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Operating Assistance - Fixed Route and Paratransit	SCA	\$99,153,755	\$10,066,359		\$10,066,359			30.09.01	Operating Assistance to provide fixed-route and paratransit service throughout WRTA area.
2024	RTD0010855		RTA Vehicle Replacement	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Buy Replacement 35 FT Bus	5307	\$27,473,630	\$8,189,019	\$8,189,019				11.12.02	Replacing 35' buses that have exceeded useful life. Replacing 7 buses in FY 2024, 6 buses in FY 2025, 7 buses in FY 2026, and 3 buses in FY 2027. In FY 2024, TDCs are being used as a soft match (20%) for Sec. 5307 and Sec. 5339 funds.
2024	RTD0010855		RTA Vehicle Replacement	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Buy Replacement 35 FT Bus	5339	\$27,473,630	\$530,981	\$530,981				11.12.02	Replacing 35' buses that have exceeded useful life. Replacing 7 buses in FY 2024, 6 buses in FY 2025, 7 buses in FY 2026, and 3 buses in FY 2027. In FY 2024, TDCs are being used as a soft match (20%) for Sec. 5307 and Sec. 5339 funds.
2024	RTD0010855		RTA Vehicle Replacement	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Buy Replacement 35 FT Bus	TDC	\$27,473,630	\$1,637,804		\$1,637,804			11.12.02	Replacing 35' buses that have exceeded useful life. Replacing 7 buses in FY 2024, 6 buses in FY 2025, 7 buses in FY 2026, and 3 buses in FY 2027. In FY 2024, TDCs are being used as a soft match (20%) for Sec. 5307 and Sec. 5339 funds.
2024	RTD0010856		RTA Vehicle Replacement	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Buy Replacement Support Vehicles	5307	\$365,000	\$120,000	\$120,000				11.42.11	Replacing support vehicles that have reached the end of their useful life. Replacing 2 vehicles in FY 2024, 2 vehicles in FY 2025, and 2 vehicles in FY 2026.
2024	RTD0010856		RTA Vehicle Replacement	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Buy Replacement Support Vehicles	RTACAP	\$365,000	\$30,000		\$30,000			11.42.11	Replacing support vehicles that have reached the end of their useful life. Replacing 2 vehicles in FY 2024, 2 vehicles in FY 2025, and 2 vehicles in FY 2026.



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Worcester Regional Transit Authority							\$40,990,538	\$27,259,350	\$12,583,203	\$1,147,985			
2024	RTD0010857		RTA Facility & System Modernization	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Purchase Support Equipment for Fixed Route and Demand Response	5307	\$2,893,148	\$520,813	\$520,813				11.42.20	
2024	RTD0010857		RTA Facility & System Modernization	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Purchase Support Equipment for Fixed Route and Demand Response	RTACAP	\$2,893,148	\$130,204		\$130,204			11.42.20	
2024	RTD0010858		RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Purchase Spare Parts for Revenue Rolling Stock	5307	\$4,335,803	\$436,848	\$436,848				11.12.40	
2024	RTD0010858		RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Purchase Spare Parts for Revenue Rolling Stock	RTACAP	\$4,335,803	\$109,212		\$109,212			11.12.40	
2024	RTD0010861		RTA Facility & System Modernization	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Purchase Fixed Route Bus Shelters	5307	\$328,079	\$28,044	\$28,044				11.92.02	
2024	RTD0010861		RTA Facility & System Modernization	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Purchase Fixed Route Bus Shelters	RTACAP	\$328,079	\$7,011		\$7,011			11.92.02	
2024	RTD0010863		RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Renovations and Maintenance to WRTA Hub	5307	\$30,250	\$8,000	\$8,000				11.34.01	
2024	RTD0010863		RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Renovations and Maintenance to WRTA Hub	RTACAP	\$30,250	\$2,000		\$2,000			11.34.01	
2024	RTD0010864	Worcester	RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	City of Worcester: Rehabilitation of Union Station	5337	\$28,947,826	\$4,539,941	\$4,539,941				11.34.03	Worcester Redevelopment Authority rehab/renovate of Worcester's Union Station. Sec. 5337 funding.
2024	RTD0010864	Worcester	RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	City of Worcester: Rehabilitation of Union Station	LF	\$28,947,826	\$1,134,985			\$1,134,985		11.34.03	Worcester Redevelopment Authority rehab/renovate of Worcester's Union Station. Sec. 5337 funding.
2024	RTD0010878		RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Renovations and Maintenance to WRTA Maintenance and Operations Facility	5307	\$387,979	\$40,000	\$40,000				11.44.02	
2024	RTD0010878		RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Renovations and Maintenance to WRTA Maintenance and Operations Facility	RTACAP	\$387,979	\$10,000		\$10,000			11.44.02	
2024	T00042		RTA Vehicle Replacement	Worcester Regional Transit Authority - Purchase Replacement Vans	5307	\$3,549,150	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000				11.12.15	Replace vans that have exceeded their useful life. Replacing 10 vans in FY 2024, and 7 vans in FY 2026. In FY 2024, TDCs are being used as a 20% soft match.
2024	T00042		RTA Vehicle Replacement	Worcester Regional Transit Authority - Purchase Replacement Vans	TDC	\$3,549,150	\$360,000		\$360,000			11.12.15	Replace vans that have exceeded their useful life. Replacing 10 vans in FY 2024, and 7 vans in FY 2026. In FY 2024, TDCs are being used as a 20% soft match.



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Worcester Regional Transit Authority							\$40,990,538	\$27,259,350	\$12,583,203	\$1,147,985			
2024	WRTA011642		Operating	On-call (short-term) Planning Services.	5307	\$250,000	\$200,000	\$200,000				44.24.00	
2024	WRTA011642		Operating	On-call (short-term) Planning Services.	SCA	\$250,000	\$50,000		\$50,000			44.24.00	
2024	WRTA011643		RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	Preventative Maintenance for WRTA Vehicles and Facilities	5307	\$506,000	\$404,800	\$404,800				11.7A.00	
2024	WRTA011643		RTA Facility & Vehicle Maintenance	Preventative Maintenance for WRTA Vehicles and Facilities	SCA	\$506,000	\$101,200		\$101,200			11.7A.00	
2024	WRTA011658	Shrewsbury	Mobility Assistance Program	Town of Shrewsbury - CTGP Shrewsbury Operating	5310	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000				30.09.01	5310 ARPA Carryover \$25,000
2024	WRTA011661	Holden	Mobility Assistance Program	WRTA - Holden to Worcester Extended Service Hours	5310	\$20,000	\$10,000	\$10,000				30.09.01	5310 ARPA Carryover \$10,000, State Contract Assistance \$7,500, Local Funds (Municipal) \$2,500
2024	WRTA011661	Holden	Mobility Assistance Program	WRTA - Holden to Worcester Extended Service Hours	LF	\$20,000	\$2,500			\$2,500		30.09.01	5310 ARPA Carryover \$10,000, State Contract Assistance \$7,500, Local Funds (Municipal) \$2,500
2024	WRTA011661	Holden	Mobility Assistance Program	WRTA - Holden to Worcester Extended Service Hours	SCA	\$20,000	\$7,500		\$7,500			30.09.01	5310 ARPA Carryover \$10,000, State Contract Assistance \$7,500, Local Funds (Municipal) \$2,500
2024	WRTA011686		Mobility Assistance Program	Town of Rutland - Rutland Extended Transportation	5310	\$75,477	\$75,477	\$75,477				30.09.01	5310 ARPA X018 \$23,739, 5310 CRSSA X015 \$51,738
2024	WRTA011687		Mobility Assistance Program	WRTA - SCM Elderbus - READYBUS Service	5310	\$70,000	\$45,000	\$45,000				30.09.01	5310 Regular X019 \$25,000, 5310 ARPA X018 \$20,000, State Contract Assistance \$18,750, Local Funds (municipal) \$6,250
2024	WRTA011687		Mobility Assistance Program	WRTA - SCM Elderbus - READYBUS Service	LF	\$70,000	\$6,250			\$6,250		30.09.01	5310 Regular X019 \$25,000, 5310 ARPA X018 \$20,000, State Contract Assistance \$18,750, Local Funds (municipal) \$6,250
2024	WRTA011687		Mobility Assistance Program	WRTA - SCM Elderbus - READYBUS Service	SCA	\$70,000	\$18,750		\$18,750			30.09.01	5310 Regular X019 \$25,000, 5310 ARPA X018 \$20,000, State Contract Assistance \$18,750, Local Funds (municipal) \$6,250
2024	WRTA011688		Mobility Assistance Program	WRTA - SCM Elderbus Midday Shuttle	5310	\$34,000	\$17,000	\$17,000				30.09.01	5310 Regular X019 \$17,000, State Contract Assistance \$12,750, Local Funds (municipal) \$4,250
2024	WRTA011688		Mobility Assistance Program	WRTA - SCM Elderbus Midday Shuttle	LF	\$34,000	\$4,250			\$4,250		30.09.01	5310 Regular X019 \$17,000, State Contract Assistance \$12,750, Local Funds (municipal) \$4,250
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STIP Investments Report

Program Activity: Transit, Worcester Regional Transit Authority

STIP: 2024 - 2028 (D)

Year	MassDOT Project ID	Municipality	Program	MassDOT Project Description	Funding Source	Total Project Cost	Total Programmed Funds	Federal Funds	State Funds	Other Funds	Project Score	FTA Line Item	Other Information
Federal Fiscal Year 2024							\$40,990,538	\$27,259,350	\$12,583,203	\$1,147,985			
Worcester Regional Transit Authority							\$40,990,538	\$27,259,350	\$12,583,203	\$1,147,985			
2024	WRTA011811		RTA Vehicle Replacement	Worcester Regional Transit Authority: Buy Replacement Van (7)	5307	\$202,068	\$202,068	\$202,068				11.12.15	FTA ALI 11.12.15 Original project ID is RTD0009775 - WRTA: Buy Replacement Van (5), programmed on FFY 2022-2026 TIP. New project is to cover difference in revised project costs vs. original project costs, as WRTA is purchasing two additional vans. Tom Schiavone approved on 2/27/24.
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Amendment #5 Proactive Public Outreach Summary

**Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization
Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #5 Available for Public Review & Comment**

For information purposes and in accordance with the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization's (CMMPO) formal Public Participation Plan, in full compliance of Environmental Justice regulations, the transportation staff of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC) announces the release of the Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #5 for the 21-day public review and comment period, now underway.

The Worcester Regional Transit Authority (WRTA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 (c) grant applicant, a member of the CMMPO, states that the public involvement process adopted for the development of the TIP satisfies the public hearing requirements that pertain to the development of the Program of Projects for regular Section 5307, Urbanized Area Formula Program, grant applications including the provision for public notice and the time established for public review and comment.

The TIP is a listing of all transportation projects for highway, transit, and intermodal in the planning region programmed to receive federal-aid funding. Amendment #5 highway changes include a cost increase for Project 612098 Upton/Grafton Route 140 Resurfacing & Related Work and Project 609528 Grafton Millbury Street Improvements. The transit change is to add Project WRTA011811 Buy Replacement Van (7) to FFY 2024.

All interested parties are welcome to attend a public meeting to discuss Proposed Amendment #5 on **Tuesday, April 9, 2024**, at 5:00 PM using Zoom. The details to join the meeting can be found on the CMRPC website meeting calendar. The established deadline for public comment is 4:30 PM on **Wednesday, April 10, 2024**. Summary materials pertaining to the proposed amendment and draft document is available at www.cmrpc.org. Printed summary materials are available upon request from the CMRPC office. CMMPO meetings are conducted in accessible locations and close to public transit. Materials can be provided free of charge in accessible formats and languages other than English. If you would like special accommodations, such as an interpreter, please contact the Title VI Coordinator, (508) 459-3313, or TitleVICoordinator@cmrpc.org at least 14 days prior to the meeting.



Notice of Public Meeting

A notice is hereby given of the availability of the following documents/materials for public review and comment by decision makers, stakeholders, and the public:

Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #5

What is the TIP? The CMMPO TIP lists the highway and transit projects in the CMMPO region that are programmed to receive federal funds during these fiscal years. The 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #5 calls for changes to FFY 2024 of the highway and transit project listings. These changes are:

Highway:

- Increase cost of Project **612098 Upton/Grafton – Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 140** from \$5,100,000 to \$5,817,840. It is an increase of \$717,840.
- Increase Cost of Project **609528 Grafton – Millbury Street Improvements (SRTS)** from \$1,931,230 to \$3,177,661. It is an increase of \$1,246,431.

Transit:

- Add Project **WRTA011811: Worcester Regional Transit Authority – Buy Replacement Van (7)** to FFY 2024. \$202,068 will be funded by 5307 and \$40,413 will be funded by Toll Development Credits (TDC).

Summary materials pertaining to the above listed items are available at www.cmrpc.org or by request from the CMRPC Offices.

There will be opportunities for the public to comment on the Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #5 during the virtual ZOOM meeting listed below:

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 5:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

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All comments forwarded to Kevin Krasnecky at kkrasnecky@cmrpc.org and received before Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 4:30 PM will be fully considered.

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Virtual Public Meeting to Discuss the Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #5

Date: Tuesday, April 9, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM

Place: This meeting will be held virtually through ZOOM. Connection details are available at the bottom of the agenda and on the CMRPC website calendar at <https://cmrpc.org/event/2024-2028-tip-amendment-5-virtual-public-meeting/>

AGENDA

1. Call to Order & Around the Room Introductions
2. Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #5
 - TIP Amendment #5 Overview
 - Acceptance of Public Comment & Input
3. Adjournment

Please Note: All comments on the Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #5 should be forwarded to Kevin Krasnecky at kkrasnecky@cmrpc.org prior to the CMMPO-established deadline of 4:30 PM on **Wednesday, April 10, 2024**.

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CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

The minutes of the 2024-2028 Proposed Amendment #4 virtual public meeting held Tuesday, April 8, 2024 through ZOOM.

- **Guests:**

1. Ann Sullivan, MassDOT District #3
2. Sarah Bradbury, MassDOT District #3
3. Joe Laydon, Upton
4. Celia Germain, WSU Student

- **CMRPC Staff Present:**

1. Kevin Krasnecky
2. Jeff Howland

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Call to Order & Around the Room Introductions

Kevin Krasnecky, CMRPC, called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM and introduced the attendees.

Proposed Amendment #5 to the 2024-2028 TIP Highway & Transit Project Listings

Kevin Krasnecky reviewed this agenda item with the attendees. Mr. Krasnecky said that Amendment #5 includes the following changes to the Highway & Transit Project listings:

The changes to the Highway List are:

- #612098 Upton/Grafton, Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 140
 - Increase cost of project from \$5,000,000 to \$5,817,840, an increase of \$717,840.
- #609528 Grafton, Millbury Street Improvements (SRTS)
 - Increase cost of project from \$1,931,230 to \$3,177,661, an increase of \$1,246,431.

The changes to the Transit List are:

- Add Project: WRTA011811 – Worcester Regional Transit Authority, Buy Replacement Van (7) to FFY 2024
 - \$202,068 will be funded by 5307 and \$40,413 will be funded by Toll Development Credits (TDC).

Mr. Krasnecky also noted that comments were received from MassDOT to update the description for Project #612098 to also include the town of Hopedale.

Joe Laydon asked what the timeframe of the Route 140 project is. Ann Sullivan said that the project is expected to be advertised in May and start construction in the Fall.

Before Mr. Krasnecky closed the public meeting, he mentioned the deadline for public comments on the Proposed Amendment #5 is 4:30 PM on Wednesday, April 10th. With no additional comments or questions, the 2024-2028 Proposed Amendment #5 virtual public meeting closed at 5:12 PM.

Public Comments Received

MassDOT Comments:

- Add the Town of Hopedale to the description of Project #612098. Also, an additional cost increase occurred during the public comment period in the amount of \$1,082,160 for a new Total Project Cost of \$6,900,000.

CMMPO & CMMPO Advisory Committee Proceedings

- CMMPO March 20, 2024 – Initiate Amendment
- CMMPO April 17, 2024 – Endorse Amendment
- Advisory Committee March 27, 2024 – Recommend Approval of Amendment

CMMPO March 20, 2024 – Initiate Amendment



Meeting of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization

Date: Wednesday, **March 20**, 2024

Time: **4:00 PM**

Place: This meeting will be held virtually through Zoom Webinar. The Zoom Connection details are on the bottom of this agenda and in the meeting announcement email. Additional meeting materials can be found through the CMRPC web calendar: <https://cmrpc.org/event/cmm-po-committee-2/>

AGENDA

- Introductions
- Approval of February 21, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- Opportunity for Public Comment
- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 - **Potential Action:** Approval of Proposed Amendment #4 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway List
 - **Potential Action:** Release Proposed Amendment #5 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway & Transit List for 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period
 - FFY 2029 TIP Project Candidates PM Scoring Review
 - FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP Workshop
 - Review and Consensus of Preferred Option for FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP Highway Project Listing
 - Review of FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 Statewide Highway Project Listing
 - Review of FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 Transit Project Listing
- FFY 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
 - Budget and Major Task Listing
- Active Transportation Overview
- Staff Updates
 - Federal Grants
- New Business
- Next Meetings:
 - CMMPO Advisory Committee meeting (virtual) – March 27, 2024 at 3:00 PM
 - CMMPO meeting (virtual) – April 17, 2024 at 4:00 PM
- Adjournment

CMMPO Zoom Webinar Meeting Details

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CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

The minutes of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (CMMPO) meeting held **Wednesday, March 20th, 2024**. This meeting was held virtually using Zoom Webinar.

- **CMMPO Members Present:**

1. Derek Krevat – MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning, designee to MassDOT Secretary Monica Tibbits-Nutt
2. Ann Sullivan – MassDOT Highway Division District #3, designee to MassDOT Highway Division Administrator Jonathon Gulliver
3. Joshua Rickman – WRTA Administrator
4. Bob Hassinger – designee to CMRPC Commission Chair
5. Betsy Goodrich – designee to City Manager Eric Batista
6. Shelby Marshall – Westborough, Northeast Subregion Representative
7. Jesse Limanek – Sutton, Southeast Subregion Representative
8. John Daniel – Southbridge, Southwest Subregion Representative
9. Jared Grigg – Spencer, West Subregion Alternate

- **CMMPO Ex-Officio Members Present:**

1. Chris Klem, MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning
2. Kirstie Hostetter, Federal Transit Authority (FTA)

- **Guests:**

1. Sarah Bradbury, MassDOT District #3
2. Brian Pigeon, Worcester
3. Linda Nusum
4. Peg Dean, Southbridge
5. Zachary Kay
6. Derek Shooster, MassDOT OTP
7. Daryl Amaral, MassDOT District #2
8. Jeff Bridges, Spencer

- **CMRPC Staff**

1. Sujatha Krishnan, Deputy Director – Transportation
2. Kevin Krasnecky, Project Manager – Transportation
3. Zack Blais, Associate Planner – Transportation
4. Rich Rydant, Project Manager – Transportation
5. Yahaira Graxirena, Project Manager – Transportation
6. Adam Wriggins, Assistant Planner – Transportation
7. Nathan Lewis, Public Outreach Coordinator – Transportation

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Agenda Item #1 – Introductions

CMMPO Chair Derek Krevat opened the meeting at 4:00 PM. A roll call of CMMPO members was announced.

Agenda Item #2 – Approval of February 21, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the February 21, 2024, meeting of the CMMPO were considered for approval. Bob Hassinger motioned to accept the minutes and was seconded by Josh Rickman. A roll call vote was announced, and members voted to approve the minutes with two members abstaining.

Derek Krevat – Yes

Bob Hassinger – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

John Daniel – Abstain

Joshua Rickman – Yes

Shelby Marshall – Yes

Jared Grigg – Abstain

Agenda Item #3 – Opportunity for Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

Agenda Item #4 – Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

- **Potential Action:** Approval of Proposed Amendment #4 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway List

Kevin Krasnecky presented this item. Proposed Amendment #4 includes two changes to FFY 2024 of the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 Highway List. These changes are:

1. Move Project from FFY 2024 to FFY 2025: #612874 Shrewsbury-Worcester, Bridge Preservation, S-14-115 (1RA & 1RB), I-290 (EB & WB) Over Combination of Lake Quinsigamond and Lake Avenue North
2. Increase Project Cost: #606517 West Brookfield, Resurfacing & Related Work on Route 9, from Ware T.L. to 850' West of Welcome Road (1.1 Miles – Phase 1)
 - a. New Total Project Cost - \$9,661,739
 - i. Decrease STBG funding - \$638,190
 - ii. Add TAP funding - \$648,738
 - iii. Add Statewide TAP funding - \$1,574,365

Mr. Krasnecky said a public meeting was held 3/12/24 to discuss Amendment #4, but there were no comments. Additionally, Amendment #4 was discussed with the MPO Advisory Committee and CMRPC's Transportation Committee and both committee's recommended approval.

There were no questions or comments regarding the proposed amendment.

Bob Hassinger made a motion and was seconded by Jesse Limanek. All members voted unanimously to approve Proposed Amendment #4 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway List.

Derek Krevat– Yes

Joshua Rickman – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Bob Hassinger – Yes

Shelby Marshall – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

John Daniel – Yes

Jared Grigg – Yes

- **Potential Action:** Release Proposed Amendment #5 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway and Transit List for 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period

Kevin Krasnecky presented this item. Proposed Amendment #5 included two changes to FFY 2024 of the highway list and one change to FFY 2024 of the transit list of the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway and Transit Lists.

The Highway changes are:

1. #612098 Upton/Grafton, Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 140
 - a. Increase cost of project from \$5,000,000 to \$5,817,840. An increase of \$717,840.
2. #609528 Grafton, Millbury Street Improvements (SRTS)
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The Transit change is:

1. Add Project: WRTA011811 – Worcester Regional Transit Authority, Buy Replacement Van (7) to FFY 2024
 - a. \$202,068 will be funded by 5307 and \$40,413 will be funded by Toll Development Credits (TDC).

There were no questions or comments regarding the proposed amendment.

Jesse Limanek made a motion and was seconded by Ann Sullivan. All members voted unanimously to approve the release of the proposed Amendment #5 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway and Transit List for 21-day Public Review and Comment Period.

Derek Krevat – Yes

Bob Hassinger – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

John Daniel – Yes

Joshua Rickman – Yes

Shelby Marshall – Yes

Jared Grigg – Yes

- FFY 2029 TIP Project Candidates PM Scoring Review

Kevin Krasnecky presented a review on the FFY 2029 TIP project candidates performance management scoring. This process is completed each year for the new TIP candidate projects that are not currently programmed. Staff use performance management criteria to score all new projects. The scoring criteria is based on 10 categories, which include: safety, state of good repair, congestion, security, multimodality, sustainability, equity, economic, stormwater management, and travel and tourism. Mr. Krasnecky summarized the scoring to the group. The maximum score is 27 points The total scores for the four TIP candidate projects were:

1. Project #613655 – Rutland, Route 122 & Pleasantdale Road: **8**
2. Project #612779 – West Brookfield, Route 9 (Phase 3): **15**
3. Project #613242 – Westborough, Route 30 (East Main St): **15**
4. Project #613648 – Worcester, Lake Ave & Bigelow Davis Pkwy: **15**

The scoring was also reviewed with the CMMPO Advisory and CMRPC Transportation Committee to get their comments on the results. Both committees provided their priority recommendations as to which of the new projects should get programmed.

There were no comments or questions.

- FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP Workshop
 - Review Consensus of Preferred Option for FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP Highway Project Listing

Kevin Krasnecky presented this item. Mr. Krasnecky reviewed the project options for each year of the FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP. Two options were presented to the members for their consideration to develop the draft FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP.

Based on the two presented options, staff asked the members to decide on a preferred option which staff would use to develop the draft TIP highway project listing for April's CMMPO Meeting. Out of the two options, the staff's preferred option was Option A.

Shelby Marshall asked for an explanation between the "Current Program" and the "Current TFPCC Cost". Mr. Krasnecky said that the TFPCC column contains the current cost of the project, and the Current Program column contains the cost of the project from the 2024-2028 TIP.

Peg Dean asked if there is a separate statewide TIP listing where the Southbridge bridge project will be listed. Sujatha responded that bridges are included in the statewide project listing and what is being presented is only CMMPO target funded projects.

Jared Grigg asked why the East Brookfield Route 9 project was deactivated. Mr. Krasnecky explained that Route 9 will be resurfaced under Districtwide resurfacing contract instead of using TIP funding.

Shelby Marshall asked if projects could use the leftover funds from FFY 2028. Mr. Krasnecky replied yes, depending on how far along the projects are in their design. Ms. Marshall followed up by asking what that process would be. Sujatha Krishnan replied that staff meets with district staff regularly and have TIP Readiness Day to get updates on projects and their status.

Jesse Limanek asked about the Worcester Chandler Street project and if Worcester would have the capacity to complete both phases with Option A, and if Option B would be better. Mr. Krasnecky replied that staff met with the city and District #3, and they were okay if both phases were in the same year. Betsy Goodrich responded by saying that Worcester prefers the entire project in one programming year. Chris Klem asked what the benefit was of doing the Chandler Street project separately instead of one big project. Ann Sullivan replied that it was a big project to undertake as one altogether and it was originally difficult to program the entire project in one year due to the cost.

After much discussion, the majority of members chose the staff's recommended Option A to develop the Draft FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP Highway Project Listing. Option A includes:

2025

- #602659 – Charlton/Oxford: Route 20 Reconstruction, \$2.776 Million

- #608778 – Southbridge: Central St/Foster St/Hook St/Hamilton St Improvements, \$7.279 Million
- #609049 – West Brookfield: Route 9 Reconstruction (Phase II), \$7.412 Million
- #608961 – Worcester: Chandler St & May St Intersection Improvements, \$6 Million
- Micro-Project - Worcester: Purchase of New Bike Racks, \$35,000
- CMMPO TIP Design Funding Placeholder, \$1 Million

2026

- #608456 – Upton: Route 140 Culvert Replacement, \$1.662 Million
- #611933 – Sturbridge: Route 20 & Route 131 Roundabout, \$6.660 Million
- #610535 – Worcester: Pleasant St Bike & Pedestrian Improvements, \$5.703 Million
- Micro-Projects Program Placeholder, \$400,000
- CMMPO TIP Design Funding Placeholder, \$1 Million

2027

- #609441 – Northbridge: Rt 122/Sutton St/School St Intersection Improvements, \$4.466 Million
- #608990 – Worcester: Chandler St Improvements (Phase I), \$6.418 Million
- #612011 – Worcester: Chandler St Improvements (Phase II), \$4.541 Million
- #610931 – Uxbridge: Route 16 Rehabilitation, \$9.901 Million
- Micro-Projects Program Placeholder, \$400,000
- CMMPO TIP Design Funding Placeholder, \$1 Million

2028

- #613097 – Spencer: Route 9 & Route 49 Intersection Improvements, \$11.671 Million
- #611988 – Oxford: Route 12 Roadway Improvements, \$9.564 Million
- #613655 – Rutland: Route 122& Pleasantdale Rd Intersection Improvements, \$3.376 Million
- Micro-Projects Program Placeholder, \$400,000
- CMMPO TIP Design Funding Placeholder, \$1 Million

2029

- #612779 – West Brookfield: Route 9 Reconstruction (Phase III), \$13.231 Million
- #613242 – Westborough: Route 30 Improvements, \$10.237 Million
- #613648 – Worcester: Lake Ave & Bigelow Davis Pkwy Intersection Improvements, \$7.786 Million
- Micro-Projects Program Placeholder, \$400,000
- CMMPO TIP Design Funding Placeholder, \$1 Million
- Review of FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 Statewide Highway Project Listing

Mr. Krasnecky presented this item. A brief review of the projects that are on the draft FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 Statewide Highway Project Listing was provided.

There were no comments or questions.

- Review of FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 Statewide Transit Project Listing

Mr. Krasnecky presented this item. A brief review of the projects that are on the draft FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 Transit Project Listing was provided.

Shelby Marshall asked if the demand response projects are related to VIA service. Mr. Krasnecky answered that it is not.

Kirstie Hostetter introduced herself to the group and commented that the FTA will be releasing the full year apportionments within the next few weeks.

There were no other comments or questions.

Agenda Item #5 – FFY 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

- Budget and Major Task Listing

Sujatha Krishnan presented this item. Ms. Krishnan provided a brief review of the FFY 2025 UPWP budget and major task listing. The differences between FFY 2024 & FFY 2025 include a decrease in Task 2.3 (Community & Regional Technical Assistance) and the addition of Task 2.5 (Housing, Economic Development and Transportation Planning). Other changes included additional funds to Task 3.7 (LRTP Implementation) and Task 4.2 (funding coming from WRTA). In total, the budget for the FFY 2025 UPWP increased by 5% to \$1,593,595. After reviewing the budget, Ms. Krishnan reviewed the different tasks that staff anticipated to work on during FFY 2025.

There were no comments or questions.

Agenda Item #6 – Active Transportation Overview

Yahaira Graxirena presented this item. Ms. Graxirena provided a review of the staff's work regarding Active Transportation. Active Transportation includes walking, biking, trails, transit, and micromobility. Staff have completed work with Complete Streets, sidewalk condition data analysis, bicycle rack inventories, regional bicycle & pedestrian plan studies (these will be updated), bicycle compatibility index, bikesharing, walk audits, trail work (data mapping, grant support, community engagement, and more), various initiatives like the E-Bike Program, and placemaking efforts in Worcester.

Shelby Marshall asked if the 2024 E-Bike Program deadline would be extended. Ms. Graxirena replied that it is currently being discussed.

Agenda Item #7 – Staff Updates

- Federal Grants

Ms. Krishnan announced that staff are looking at a NOFO for the Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) for Southbridge and a potential regional application. Other grants mentioned were the Accelerating Clean Transportation for All (Act4All), DER Culvert Replacement Grant, and the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG).

Agenda Item #8– New Business

There was no new business.

Agenda Item #9 – Next Meetings

- CMMPO Advisory Committee meeting (virtual) – March 27, 2024, at 3:00PM
- CMMPO meeting (virtual/in-person) – April 17, 2024, at 4:00PM

Agenda Item #10 – Adjournment

Bob Hassinger made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Shelby Marshall. The meeting concluded at 5:30 PM.

Meeting Minutes prepared by: Zachary Blais, Transportation Associate Planner

CMMPO April 17, 2024 – Endorse Amendment



Meeting of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization

Date: Wednesday, **April 17**, 2024

Time: **4:00 PM**

Place: This meeting will be held virtually through Zoom Webinar (use link below). Additional meeting materials can be found through the CMRPC web calendar: <https://cmrpc.org/event/cmm-po-committee-3/>

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➤ Adjournment

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CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

The minutes of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (CMMPO) meeting held **Wednesday, April 17th, 2024**. This meeting was held virtually using Zoom Webinar.

- **CMMPO Members Present:**

1. Derek Krevat – MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning, designee to MassDOT Secretary Monica Tibbits-Nutt
2. Ann Sullivan – MassDOT Highway Division District #3, designee to MassDOT Highway Division Administrator Jonathon Gulliver
3. Joshua Rickman – WRTA Administrator
4. Janet Pierce – designee to CMRPC Commission Chair
5. Betsy Goodrich – designee to City Manager Eric Batista
6. Shelby Marshall – Westborough, Northeast Subregion Representative
7. Jesse Limanek – Sutton, Southeast Subregion Representative
8. Rich Eichacker – Warren, West Subregion Representative

- **CMMPO Ex-Officio Members Present:**

1. Chris Klem, MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning

- **Guests:**

1. Jared Grigg, Spencer, West Subregion Alternate
2. Sarah Bradbury, MassDOT District #3
3. Peg Dean, Southbridge
4. Michelle Scott (MassDOT)
5. Ben Breger (MassDOT District #2)
6. Robert King
7. Peter Boria, Spencer

- **CMRPC Staff**

1. Sujatha Krishnan, Deputy Director – Transportation
2. Kevin Krasnecky, Project Manager – Transportation
3. Zack Blais, Associate Planner – Transportation
4. Rich Rydant, Project Manager – Transportation
5. Yahaira Graxirena, Project Manager – Transportation
6. Jeff Howland, Planning Engineer – Transportation

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Agenda Item #1 – Introductions

CMMPO Chair Derek Krevat opened the meeting at 4:00 PM. A roll call of CMMPO members was announced.

Agenda Item #2 – Approval of March 20, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the March 20, 2024, meeting of the CMMPO were considered for approval. Jesse Limanek motioned to accept the minutes and was seconded by Shelby Marshall. A roll call vote was announced, and members voted to approve the minutes with one member abstaining.

Derek Krevat – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Shelby Marshall – Yes

Joshua Rickman – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

Janet Pierce – Yes

Rich Eichacker – Abstain

Agenda Item #3 – Opportunity for Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

Agenda Item #4 – Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

- **Potential Action:** Approval of Proposed Amendment #5 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway and Transit List

Kevin Krasnecky presented this agenda item. Proposed Amendment #5 included two project cost increases to FFY 2024 highway projects and the addition of one transit project to FFY 2024. These changes are below:

Highway (2024)

- Project #612098 Upton/Grafton – Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 140
 - Increase cost of project from \$5,100,000 to \$5,817,840. An increase of \$717,840.
 - MassDOT Comments: Add Hopedale to project description and increase cost another \$1,082,160 for a new total of \$6,900,000.
- Project #609528 Grafton – Millbury Street Improvement (SRTS)
 - Increase cost of project from \$1,931,230 to \$3,177,661. An increase of \$1,246,431.

Transit (2024)

- ADD PROJECT – WRTA011811: Worcester Regional Transit Authority – Buy Replacement Van (7)
 - \$202,068 will be funded by 5307.
 - \$40,413 will be funded by Toll Development Credits (TDC).

Jesse Limanek asked why MassDOT is adding Hopedale to the Upton/Grafton project. Ann Sullivan replied that Hopedale includes a small portion of Route 140 so it would make sense to include it in the project. There were no other questions or comments.

Ann Sullivan motioned to approve the Proposed Amendment #5 and was seconded by Jesse Limanek. All voting members present voted unanimously to approve Proposed Amendment #5.

Derek Krevat – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Shelby Marshall – Yes

Joshua Rickman – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

Janet Pierce – Yes

Rich Eichacker – Yes

- **Potential Action:** Approval of Proposed Adjustment #6 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway Project List

Kevin Krasnecky presented this agenda item. Proposed Adjustment #6 included a shift in target funds for FFY 2024 Project #608433, Webster – Intersection Improvements at I-395 Ramps (Exit 2) at Route 16 (East Main Street) and Sutton Road. Regional target funds were shifted to Statewide funds, which also resulted in a slight increase of \$73,228. The new Total Project Cost is now \$15,018,236. The funding change are below:

- Regional Target Funds
 - CMAQ – Reduce by \$552,272
 - STBG – Reduce by \$3,055,727
- Statewide Funds
 - Add CMAQ funds – \$538,534
 - Add STBG funds – \$3,142,693

There were no comments or questions about Proposed Adjustment #6.

Ann Sullivan made a motion and was seconded by Jesse Limanek to approve Proposed Adjustment #6. All members voted unanimously to approve the Proposed Adjustment #6 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway Project List.

Derek Krevat – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Shelby Marshall – Yes

Joshua Rickman – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

Janet Pierce – Yes

Rich Eichacker – Yes

- **Potential Action:** Release Proposed Amendment #7 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway List for 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period

Kevin Krasnecky presented this agenda item. The Proposed Amendment #7 included three changes to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway List. The changes are:

- Project #608171, Uxbridge – Reconstruction of Route 122 (South Main Street)
 - Increase cost of project from \$10,624,014 to \$14,232,013.
- Project #608851, Hardwick & New Braintree – Bridge Replacement, H-08-003=N-07-002
 - Move project from FFY 2025 to FFY 2024 with new Total Project Cost of \$3,659,382.

- Funding source will also change from STBG-BR-OFF to BROFF
- Project #608640, Sutton & Grafton – Bridge Reconstruction/Rehabilitation, S-33-004
 - Decrease project cost from \$12,380,610 to \$9,636,255.

Shelby Marshall asked about the difference between the “STBG-BR-OFF” and “BROFF” acronym. Derek Krevat explained the difference between the two bridge funding sources. Shelby also asked why the Uxbridge project increased. Mr. Krasnecky said the cost increased due to the latest average costs of bid prices, utility costs, and updated police detail costs.

Shelby Marshall made a motion and was seconded by Jesse Limanek to release the Proposed Amendment #7 for 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period. All members voted unanimously to release Proposed Amendment #7 for 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period.

Derek Krevat – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Shelby Marshall – Yes

Joshua Rickman – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

Janet Pierce – Yes

Rich Eichacker – Yes

- **Potential Action:** Release Draft FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP for 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period

Kevin Krasnecky presented this agenda item. Mr. Krasnecky briefly reviewed each of the highway and transit projects included in the draft project listings. Mr. Krasnecky also noted a summary document and technical appendix was also produced by staff and all draft TIP documents are on the CMRPC website. Staff asked members to vote to release the Draft FFY 2025 to 2029 TIP for 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period.

There were no comments or questions.

Jesse Limanek made a motion and was seconded by Josh Rickman to release the Draft FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP for 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period. All members voted unanimously to release the Draft FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP for 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period.

Derek Krevat – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Shelby Marshall – Yes

Joshua Rickman – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

Janet Pierce – Yes

Rich Eichacker – Yes

- **Potential Action:** Endorsement of the FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP Self-Certification of the CMMPO Transportation Planning Process

Kevin Krasnecky presented this agenda item. Mr. Krasnecky said that that each year the CMMPO must certify that its conduct of the planning process complies with all applicable requirements and that it includes activities to support the development and implementation of the LRTP and Air Quality Conformity Determination, the TIP and Air Quality Conformity Determination, and the UPWP. Mr. Krasnecky briefly reviewed the listed requirements.

There were no comments or questions.

Shelby Marshall made a motion and was seconded Janet Pierce to endorse the FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP Self-Certification of the CMMPO Transportation Planning Process. All members voted unanimously to endorse the FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP Self-Certification of the CMMPO Transportation Planning Process.

Derek Krevat – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Joshua Rickman – Yes

Janet Pierce – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

Shelby Marshall – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

Rich Eichacker – Yes

- **Potential Action:** Endorsement of the FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP Certification of the CMMPO Greenhouse Gases (GHG) Requirements

Kevin Krasnecky presented this agenda item. Mr. Krasnecky explained that each year the CMMPO must certify that the TIP and Air Quality Conformity Determination for the CMMPO LRTP is in compliance with all applicable requirements in State Regulation 310 CMR 60.05: Global Warming Solutions Act Requirements for Transportation. Mr. Krasnecky briefly reviewed those regulation requirements.

There were no comments or questions.

Ann Sullivan made a motion and was seconded by Jesse Limanek to endorse the FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP Certification of the CMMPO GHG Requirements. All members voted unanimously to endorse the FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP CMMPO GHG Requirements.

Derek Krevat – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Joshua Rickman – Yes

Janet Pierce – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

Shelby Marshall – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

Rich Eichacker – Yes

Agenda Item #5 – MassDOT Beyond Mobility Update

Derek Krevat (MassDOT) presented this agenda item on MassDOT's Beyond Mobility plan. Beyond Mobility is an update to the previous MassDOT Statewide Long Range Transportation Plan (SLRTP). It aims to think beyond traditional transportation planning and center people and transportation outcomes at the heart of the planning framework. The plan is currently out for public comment until May 31, 2024.

Initial development of the plan has included extensive public and internal outreach, data analyses, and analyses of prior plans to define a vision for transportation in 2050, the values MassDOT should maintain in the approach, and the key challenges that characterize the states transportation network. Top responses from public engagement included:

- Car-free connectivity
- Ability to reach destinations more easily
- Bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure

- Transit investment
- Improved bike/ped connections to transit stations
- Wayfinding near transit stations
- More frequent bus and commuter rail service and more passenger rail options

The Beyond Mobility plan emphasizes six priority areas: Safety, Reliability, Supporting Clean Transportation, Destination Connectivity, Resiliency, and Travel Experience. Mr. Krevat briefly reviewed each priority area by providing a highlighted problem and a highlighted action for each priority area.

There were no comments or questions.

Agenda Item #6 – MassDOT Capital Investment Plan (CIP) Presentation

Michelle Scott (MassDOT) presented this agenda item on the development process and State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) coordination of the MassDOT Capital Investment Plan (CIP). The CIP is a five-year plan that funds planning, construction, and maintenance of the transportation system. It includes investments in roads and bridges, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, state-funded transit items, state rail networks, public use airports, MassDOT-wide enterprise services, and the Registry of Motor Vehicles. CIP funding sources consist of federal, state, MassDOT, and other sources. The CIP includes highway and transit projects reflected in the STIP and other investments selected through internal MassDOT and external processes.

MassDOT is currently developing the FY 2025 to FY 2029 CIP, focusing its investments on the areas of Safety, Climate Stewardship, Asset Management, and Partnerships with Municipalities. On May 15, 2024, MassDOT will be requesting the Board to release the CIP for public review and comment. On June 18, 2024, MassDOT will be requesting the Board to vote to approve the final CIP. Ms. Scott briefly reviewed spending data for each investment area mentioned above. Ms. Scott also provided a list of proposed highlights for Central Massachusetts from the FY 2025 to FY 2029 CIP.

There were no comments or questions.

Agenda Item #7 – Staff Updates

- Federal Grants

Yahaira Graxirena updated the group on several federal grants. Ms. Graxirena announced that staff were not awarded the Reconnecting Communities & Regional Thriving Communities Grants and other funding options are being explored. Ms. Graxirena also announced that the Active Transportation Improvement Grant Program is open until June 17.

- Bike Month Activities

Ms. Graxirena announced that staff are working with stakeholders in the region to host events on May 15th and May 18th for the Worcester E-Bike Program.

Agenda Item #8– New Business

Sujatha Krishnan welcomed new CMRPC staff employee, Jeff Howland, to the CMMPO group, and commented on the ways his role will be able to assist towns through various project requirements.

Agenda Item #9 – Next Meetings

- CMMPO Advisory Committee meeting (virtual) – April 24, 2024, at 3:00PM
- CMMPO meeting (virtual) – May 15, 2024, at 4:00PM

Agenda Item #10 – Adjournment

Shelby Marshall made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Jesse Limanek. The meeting concluded at 5:15 PM.

Meeting Minutes prepared by: Zack Blais, Transportation Associate Planner

**Advisory Committee March 27, 2024 – Recommend Approval
of Amendment**



Meeting of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Committee

Date: Wednesday, **March 27**, 2024

Time: **3:00 PM**

Place: Zoom Webinar Virtual Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88095896432?pwd=SElWamFWTGhQb3JaN1hiY2R5Z0Judz09>

Additional meeting materials can be found through the CMRPC web calendar:

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- Approval of **February 28, 2024** Meeting Minutes
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CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The minutes of the CMMPO Advisory Committee held **March, 27, 2024**. This meeting was held virtually through Zoom.

CMMPO Advisory Committee Members Present:

- Adam Menard - Chair, Town of Auburn
- Chris Payant – Co-Chair, Town of Westborough
- Connor McCormack – Town of Millbury
- Sandy Amoakohene – Worcester Division of Public Health
- Claudia Pavia – WSU Center for Civic Engagement
- Caleigh McLaren – Blackstone Watershed Collaborative
- Sarah Bradbury – MassDOT District 3
- Daryl Amaral – MassDOT District 2
- Joanne Clarke – AARP
- Ben Breger – MassDOT District 2 (Alt)
- Alex Salcedo - MassBike
- Thomas Coyne – WRTA

Ex-Officio Members Present:

- Chris Klem – MassDOT OTP
- Joshua Barber – FHWA

CMRPC Staff Present:

- Yahaira Graxirena
- Sujatha Krishnan
- Kevin Krasnecky
- Eric Gemperline
- Rich Rydant
- Rob Raymond

- Nathan Lewis
- Tyler Distefano

Guests:

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Agenda Item #1 – Around the Room Introductions

Chairperson Adam Menard opened the meeting at 3:05 PM. A roll call of CMMPO Advisory members was announced, followed by the rest of the attendees.

Agenda Item #2 – Approval of February 28, 2024, meeting minutes

Minutes for February 28, 2024, CMMPO Advisory meeting were considered for approval. Mr. Menard entertains a motion to approve the February 28, 2024, meeting minutes. Mr. Coyne makes a motion to approve. The motion is seconded by Mr. Payant. The vote was unanimous in favor of approval.

Agenda Item #3 – 2024 – 2028 Transportation Improvement Program

- **Action Item:** Amendment #5 to the 2024-2028 TIP Highway Project Listing 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Kevin Krasnecky presented this item. Proposed Amendment #5 included two changes to FFY 2024 of the highway list and one change to FFY 2024 of the transit list of the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway and Transit Lists.

The Highway changes are:

1. #612098 Upton/Grafton, Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 140
 - a. Increase cost of project from \$5,000,000 to \$5,817,840. An increase of \$717,840.
2. #609528 Grafton, Millbury Street Improvements (SRTS)
 - a. Increase cost of project from \$1,931,230 to \$3,177,661. An increase of \$1,246,431.

The Transit change is:

1. Add Project: WRTA011811 – Worcester Regional Transit Authority, Buy Replacement Van (7) to FFY 2024
 - a. \$202,068 will be funded by 5307 and \$40,413 will be funded by Toll Development Credits (TDC).

Ms. Clarke asks about the cost increase for the Route 140 resurfacing project and if it was just normal costs. Mr. Krasnecky responds to the increase in items because of comments of 75% review and adjustment of unit prices for materials. Mr. Menard asks for a motion; Mr. McCormack makes the motion. Mr. Payant seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

- **ACTION ITEM:** Seeking recommendation to the CMMPO concerning Draft Options for the 2029 TIP Highway Target Projects

Kevin Krasnecky presented this item.

Staff developed 2025 – 2029 Highway Listing for TIP two options developed two options for MPO members for draft 2025-2029 TIP. CMMPO decided on an option and the staff is looking for a recommendation going forward.

In 2027, Option A includes the funding of “PRC#612011 - Worcester Chandler Street (Phase II): PM Score 17” while Option B does not. In both options Route 9 resurfacing in East Brookfield and Spencer is put off.

In 2028, it is the reverse of 2027 with Option A no longer including “PRC#612011 - Worcester Chandler Street (Phase II): PM Score 17” and would be programmed under Option B in 2028.

In 2029, both options remained the same. Staff is looking for a recommendation to the MPO. Staff prefer Option A.

Mr. Barber from FHWA ask for pros and cons for Option A and Option B. Mr. Krasnecky replies that the only difference between the two options is that Chandler Street being programmed in one year (Option A, preferred) or being programmed in two years (Option B). Mr. Krasnecky also mentions that the City of Worcester preferred Option A.

Mr. Barber asks about excess funding and if there are any projects that could be listed or if they are for a project overrun. Mr. Krasnecky responds that it is a combination of both. Mr. Barber asks about the Option B splitting and the reasoning, Mr. Krasnecky responds that originally it was not able to be funded in one period, however funding became open. Ms. Krishnan adds that the City of Worcester is working on the design for the complete corridor and would prefer to do the improvements as one project.

Mr. Payant asks if remaining funding is tied to individual years, which Mr. Krasnecky responds to affirmatively. Mr. Klem praises Mr. Krasnecky for the good job in running the TIP and the remaining funds may be used to in the case of cost overruns.

Chairperson Menard asks for a motion to recommend Option A. Mr. Payant makes the motion to suggest option A. Mr. McCormack seconds the motion. The vote was unanimous.

- Review of FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 Statewide Highway and Transit Project Listing

Mr. Krasnecky presented this item. A brief review of the projects that are on the draft FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 Transit Project Listing was provided.

Ms. Clarke asks about paratransit and if there will be funding for paratransit. Mr. Coyne responds that paratransit is an operating assistance and covered. Vehicles are usually from grants through MassDOT. Ms. Clarke asks about driver training and Mr. Coyne mentioned that it is also covered in the operating assistance. Mr. Barber asks if the difference in cost will be made up in future years. Mr. Krasnecky responds yes that programs funds are seen for that year. There were no more questions.

Agenda Item #4 – FFY 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

- Budget and Major Task Listing

Sujatha Krishnan presented this item. Ms. Krishnan provided a brief review of the FFY 2025 UPWP budget and major task listing. The differences between FFY 2024 & FFY 2025 include a decrease in Task 2.3 (Community & Regional Technical Assistance) and the addition of Task 2.5 (Housing, Economic Development and Transportation Planning). Ms. Amoakohene asks if the decrease in assistance will affect how CMRPC will work, Ms. Krishnan does not believe anything will be taken away and it is more of a book-keeping maneuvering. Ms. Krishnan also mentioned the hiring of a staff engineer to assist communities.

Other changes included additional funds to Task 3.7 (LRTP Implementation) and Task 4.2 (funding coming from WRTA). In total, the budget for the FFY 2025 UPWP increased by 5% to \$1,593,595. After reviewing the budget, Ms. Krishnan reviewed the different tasks that staff anticipated to work on during FFY 2025.

Ms. Krishnan highlights some of the work done by staff, noting that community technical assistance and data collection have really expanded over the years into robust programs for the commission.

Ms. Clarke asks about safety, in which Ms. Krishnan responds with work being done for safe streets for all and it will be inline with vision zero. Ms. Clarke asks about working with councils on aging to increase paratransit services. Ms. Krishnan responds that staff works closely with both COAs and the WRTA to help provide services.

There were no further questions.

Agenda Item #5 – CMRPC Active Transportation Overview

Yahaira Graxirena presented this item. Ms. Graxirena provided a review of the staff's work regarding Active Transportation. Active Transportation includes walking, biking, trails, transit, and micromobility. Staff have completed work with Complete Streets, sidewalk condition data analysis, bicycle rack inventories, regional bicycle & pedestrian plan studies (these will be updated), bicycle compatibility index, bikesharing studies, walk audits, trail work (data mapping, grant support, community engagement, and more), various initiatives like the E-Bike Program, mobility hubs, and placemaking efforts in Worcester.

Ms. Clarke mentions that CMRPC should monitor social media to gather feedback and input. Ms. Clarke also added that trails in Worcester are disconnected and asks about future walk audits. Ms. Paiva and Ms. Amoakohene add that they do not know of any new walk audits. Ms. Graxirena says that staff will continue to promote trails in the region.

Agenda Item #6 – Staff Updates

- CMMPO Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan

Tyler Distefano presented this item.

The CMMPO develops the Coordinated Human Service Transportation (HST) Plan every 5 years and the plan guides federal funding relating to Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 “Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and People with Disabilities”. The HST Plan should improve regional transportation and address the needs of diverse groups while soliciting input from the community and stakeholders. The HST Plan includes an Available Service Assessment, Transport Needs Assessment, Strategies and Opportunities, and Priorities for Implementation. The timeline for the HST is from 2024 to 2029 and will help in preparation for the FY 2040 LRTP update. Funding sources and community stories were then provided.

Ms. Graxirena announced that the following grants, DER grant for culverts (April 12 deadline), Mass Clean Energy Center for Accelerating Clean Transportation for All (May 31 deadline), and a federal active transportation infrastructure investment program grant (June 17 deadline).

Agenda Item #7 – New Business

Ms. Graxirena mentions the City of Worcester Division of Public Health was awarded the Golden Shoe Award from WalkMassachusetts and wanted to acknowledge Ms. Amoakohene’s work.

Agenda Item #9 – Next Meeting

April 24, 2024, at 3 PM

Agenda Item #10 – Adjournment

At 4:35 PM Mr. Menard entertained a motion to adjourn. Mr. Payant made the motion and was seconded by Mr. McCormack. The group voted unanimously to adjourn.

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