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CMMPO Endorsed Amendment #9 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

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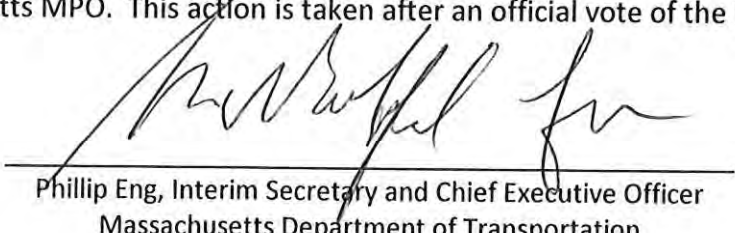
**Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization Endorsement of Amendment #9
to the FFY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program Listing**

The Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (CMMPO) has completed its review of Amendment #9 of the FFY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in accordance with 23 CFR Part 450 Section 324 (Transportation Improvement Program: General) of the October 28, 1993 Final Rules for Statewide and Metropolitan Planning.

This Amendment to the FFY 2026-2030 TIP is financially constrained and conforms to the Central Massachusetts 2024 Regional Transportation Plan. Based on the results of the review and analyses, the Central Massachusetts 2024 Regional Transportation Plan and FFY 2026-2030 TIP are consistent with the air quality goals of, and in conformity with, the Massachusetts State Implementation Plan. This Amendment and TIP do not add or delete any regionally significant, non-exempt projects, nor reprogram and existing regionally significant, non-exempt projects across analysis years.

Therefore, the Committee of Signatories representing the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (CMMPO) by a majority vote hereby endorses Amendment #9 to the Central Massachusetts Region FFY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

This endorsement is signed by the MassDOT Secretary and CEO, or their appointed designee, on behalf of the entire Central Massachusetts MPO. This action is taken after an official vote of the MPO.



Phillip Eng, Interim Secretary and Chief Executive Officer
Massachusetts Department of Transportation
Chair, Central Massachusetts MPO

7/15/26

Date

Amendment #9 Highway Project Listing & Summary Materials

Proposed Amendment #9 to the 2026 - 2030 TIP Highway Listing

Highway Project List Changes:

- Cost increase for target **Project #608961 – Worcester – Intersection Improvements on Chandler Street and May Street** in FFY 2026. The cost has increased in the amount of \$1,645,731 for a new Total Project Cost of \$10,121,005. The changes are:
 - o Add Carbon Reduction (CRP) funding in the amount of \$4,171,534.
 - o STBG funding decreased from \$5,031,709 to \$1,750,053, a total decrease of \$3,281,656.
 - o CMAQ funding increased from \$2,000,000 to \$2,040,014, a total increase of \$40,014.
 - o HSIP funding increased from \$1,000,000 to \$1,715,835, a total increase of \$715,835

Public Comments: The City of Worcester informed staff that they will be formally pausing the advertisement for the Chandler Street/May Street intersection project. Therefore, the cost increase changes would not be needed and instead the project would be removed from FFY 2026.

- Move **Project #605323 – Oxford – Bridge Replacement, O-06-030, (ST 56) Leicester Road over the French River** from FFY 2027 to FFY 2026. The updated Total Project Cost is \$4,594,106.



Central Mass Region Program

STIP: 2026 - 2030 (D)

Year	MassDOT Project ID	MPO	Municipality	MassDOT Project Description	District	Funding Source	Total Programmed Funds	Federal Funds	Non-Federal Funds	Proponent	Other Information
Federal Fiscal Year 2026							\$73,366,419	\$48,102,114	\$25,264,305		
Section 1A / Regionally Prioritized Projects							\$14,946,341	\$11,957,073	\$2,989,268		
Roadway Improvements							\$2,554,355	\$2,043,484	\$510,871		
2026	608456	Central Mass	Upton	UPTON- CULVERT REPLACEMENT, MILFORD STREET (ROUTE 140) OVER UNNAMED TRIBUTARY TO CENTER BROOK	3	STBG	\$2,554,355	\$2,043,484	\$510,871	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$2,554,355, Design Status = 75%, PM Score = 9 out of 27
Intersection Improvements							\$1,000,000	\$800,000	\$200,000		
2026	608961	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON CHANDLER STREET AND MAY STREET	3	CMAQ	2000000 — \$2,040,014	1600000 — \$1,632,011	400000 — \$408,003	Worcester	Construction, CMAQ + HSIP + STGB Total Project Cost = \$8,475,278, Design Status = 75%, PM Score = 15 out of 27 \$354,855 in a repurposed earmark (Demo ID-MA202) is being programmed as part of the FY 2025 earmark repurposing process.
2026	608961	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON CHANDLER STREET AND MAY STREET	3	HSIP	1000000 — \$1,715,835	900000 — \$1,544,252	100000 — \$171,584	Worcester	Construction, CMAQ + HSIP + STGB Total Project Cost = \$8,475,278, Design Status = 75%, PM Score = 15 out of 27 \$354,855 in a repurposed earmark (Demo ID-MA202) is being programmed as part of the FY 2025 earmark repurposing process.
2026	608961	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON CHANDLER STREET AND MAY STREET	3	STBG	5031709 — \$1,750,053	4025367 — \$1,400,042	1006342 — \$350,011	Worcester	Construction, CMAQ + HSIP + STGB Total Project Cost = \$8,475,278, Design Status = 75%, PM Score = 15 out of 27 \$354,855 in a repurposed earmark (Demo ID-MA202) is being programmed as part of the FY 2025 earmark repurposing process.
2026	S13281	Central Mass		CMMPO PROJECT DESIGN FUNDING PROGRAM		STBG	\$1,000,000	\$800,000	\$200,000		Set aside for Project Design Funding Program.
Carbon Reduction							\$4,171,534	\$3,337,227	\$834,307		
2026	608961	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON CHANDLER STREET AND MAY STREET	3	CRP	\$4,171,534	\$3,337,227	\$834,307	Worcester	Construction, CMAQ + HSIP + STGB Total Project Cost = \$8,475,278, Design Status = 75%, PM Score = 15 out of 27 \$354,855 in a repurposed earmark (Demo ID-MA202) is being programmed as part of the FY 2025 earmark repurposing process.



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Federal Fiscal Year 2026							\$73,366,419	\$48,102,114	\$25,264,305		
Bicycle and Pedestrian							\$2,870,141	\$2,296,113	\$574,028		
2026	610535	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER- PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS ON PLEASANT STREET	3	STBG	\$2,870,141	\$2,296,113	\$574,028	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$6,008,842, Design Status = Approved, PM Score = 11 out of 27 \$847,711 in a repurposed earmark (Demo ID MA006) is being programmed as part of the FY 2025 earmark repurposing process.
Roadway Reconstruction							\$8,500,000	\$6,800,000	\$1,700,000		
2026	610825	Central Mass	Multiple	SHREWSBURY- NORTHBOROUGH- REHABILITATION & BOX WIDENING ON ROUTE 20, FROM ROUTE 9 TO SOUTH STREET	3	NHPP	\$8,500,000	\$6,800,000	\$1,700,000	MassDOT	Construction, Project is AC'd between 2026 & 2030, Total Project Cost = \$46,875,467, Design Status = 100% \$359,840 in old re-purposed earmark funding is being applied to this project as part of the FY2025 earmark repurposing process. Additionally, an FY2026 federal earmark (Demo ID TBD at time of programming) totaling \$1,062,500 is being applied to this project.
Transit Grant Program							\$21,845	\$17,476	\$4,369		
2026	S13282	Central Mass	Millbury	MILLBURY - TRANSIT ACCESS ENHANCEMENTS AT MAIN STREET AND ELM STREET.		CMAQ	\$6,150	\$4,920	\$1,230	Millbury	Total Project Cost = 6,150, Project is part of Micro-Projects Program, Local Match will be provided by the town of Millbury.
2026	S13283	Central Mass	Westborough	WESTBOROUGH - PURCHASE OF NEW BICYCLE RACKS.		CMAQ	\$15,695	\$12,556	\$3,139	Westborough	Total Project Cost = \$8,207, Project is part of Micro-Projects Program, the town of Westborough will provide a supplemental match to the required 20%.
CMAQ Programmed							\$21,845	\$17,476	\$4,369		
HSIP Programmed							\$0	\$0	\$0		
NHPP Programmed							\$8,500,000	\$6,800,000	\$1,700,000		
CRP Programmed							\$0	\$0	\$0		
STBG Programmed							\$6,424,496	\$5,139,597	\$1,284,899		
Total Programmed for Central Mass Region Projects*							\$14,946,341	\$11,957,073	\$2,989,268		
Program Target for Central Mass Region Projects							\$25,339,043	\$20,271,234	\$5,067,809		
Target Funds Available for Central Mass Region Projects							\$10,392,702	\$8,314,161	\$2,078,541		



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Federal Fiscal Year 2026							\$73,366,419	\$48,102,114	\$25,264,305		
Section 1B / Earmark or Discretionary Grant Funded Projects							\$7,258,274	\$5,806,619	\$1,451,655		
Earmark Discretionary							\$7,258,274	\$5,806,619	\$1,451,655		
2026	S13348	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER- SS4A ACTION PLAN AND WORCESTER MAIN STREET SOUTH DEMONSTRATION PROJECT	3	SS4A	\$600,000	\$480,000	\$120,000	MassDOT	FFY 23 SS4A Plan/Supp/Demonstration Grant, \$480k federal award (\$120k state match)
2026	610535	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER- PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS ON PLEASANT STREET	3	HPP	\$1,615,550	\$1,292,440	\$323,110	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$6,008,842, Design Status = Approved, PM Score = 11 out of 27 \$847,711 in a repurposed earmark (Demo ID MA006) is being programmed as part of the FY 2025 earmark repurposing process.
2026	610825	Central Mass	Multiple	SHREWSBURY- NORTHBOROUGH- REHABILITATION & BOX WIDENING ON ROUTE 20, FROM ROUTE 9 TO SOUTH STREET	3	HPP	\$1,422,340	\$1,137,872	\$284,468	MassDOT	Construction, Project is AC'd between 2026 & 2030, Total Project Cost = \$46,875,467, Design Status = 100% \$359,840 in old re-purposed earmark funding is being applied to this project as part of the FY2025 earmark repurposing process. Additionally, an FY2026 federal earmark (Demo ID TBD at time of programming) totaling \$1,062,500 is being applied to this project.
2026	S13376	Central Mass	Southbridge	SOUTHBRIDGE - HAMILTON STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT (FY 2024 BUILD GRANT) - DESIGN ONLY	3	HPP	\$1,120,384	\$896,307	\$224,077	Southbridge	FY 2024 BUILD/RAISE grant. No match required since area is considered disadvantaged. Total grant amount is \$7,888,000. The amount programmed in this project is just for design and is expected to be obligated in FFY 2026 upon grant execution. The remainder will be programmed separately for construction.
2026	608961	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON CHANDLER STREET AND MAY STREET	3	HPP	\$443,569	\$354,855	\$88,714	Worcester	~~Construction, CMAQ + HSIP + STGB Total Project Cost = \$8,475,278, Design Status = 75%, PM Score = 15 out of 27~~ ~~\$354,855 in a repurposed earmark (Demo ID MA202) is being programmed as part of the FY 2025 earmark repurposing process.~~
2026	S13417	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER - MILL STREET PLANNING AND DESIGN (FEDERAL EARMARK FOR DESIGN - MA296)	3	HPP	\$2,500,000	\$2,000,000	\$500,000	Worcester	Federal Earmark for Design (MA296). \$2M federal, \$500k local match required from City of Worcester.



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Federal Fiscal Year 2026							\$73,366,419	\$48,102,114	\$25,264,305		
Section 2A / Federal Aid Funded State Prioritized Reliability Projects							\$19,983,597	\$16,149,116	\$3,834,481		
Bridge Off-system							\$11,232,073	\$8,985,658	\$2,246,415		
2026	608862	Central Mass	Southbridge	SOUTHBRIDGE- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, S-21-009, MILL STREET OVER MCKINSTRY BROOK & S-21-003, MILL STREET OVER THE QUINEBAUG RIVER	3	STBG-BR-Off	\$11,232,073	\$8,985,658	\$2,246,415	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$9,992,903, Design Status = 100%
Safety Improvements							\$1,622,383	\$1,460,145	\$162,238		
2026	610825	Central Mass	Multiple	SHREWSBURY- NORTHBOROUGH- REHABILITATION & BOX WIDENING ON ROUTE 20, FROM ROUTE 9 TO SOUTH STREET	3	VUS	\$1,000,000	\$900,000	\$100,000	MassDOT	Construction, Project is AC'd between 2026 & 2030, Total Project Cost = \$46,875,467, Design Status = 100% \$359,840 in old re-purposed earmark funding is being applied to this project as part of the FY2025 earmark repurposing process. Additionally, an FY2026 federal earmark (Demo ID TBD at time of programming) totaling \$1,062,500 is being applied to this project.
2026	614241	Multiple		DISTRICT 2- DISTRICT 3- VRU CROSSWALK INSTALLATION AT STATE SIGNALS AT MULTIPLE LOCATIONS	2	VUS	\$622,383	\$560,145	\$62,238		Crosswalk improvements being made in Chicopee and Worcester.
Highway Resiliency Improvement Program							\$7,129,141	\$5,703,313	\$1,425,828		
2026	610825	Central Mass	Multiple	SHREWSBURY- NORTHBOROUGH- REHABILITATION & BOX WIDENING ON ROUTE 20, FROM ROUTE 9 TO SOUTH STREET	3	PRCT	\$7,129,141	\$5,703,313	\$1,425,828	MassDOT	Construction, Project is AC'd between 2026 & 2030, Total Project Cost = \$46,875,467, Design Status = 100% \$359,840 in old re-purposed earmark funding is being applied to this project as part of the FY2025 earmark repurposing process. Additionally, an FY2026 federal earmark (Demo ID TBD at time of programming) totaling \$1,062,500 is being applied to this project.



Central Mass Region Program

STIP: 2026 - 2030 (D)

Year	MassDOT Project ID	MPO	Municipality	MassDOT Project Description	District	Funding Source	Total Programmed Funds	Federal Funds	Non-Federal Funds	Proponent	Other Information
Federal Fiscal Year 2026							\$73,366,419	\$48,102,114	\$25,264,305		
Section 2B / Federal Aid Funded State Prioritized Modernization Projects							\$17,736,632	\$14,189,306	\$3,547,326		
Roadway Reconstruction							\$17,736,632	\$14,189,306	\$3,547,326		
2026	608491	Central Mass	Mendon	MENDON- RESURFACING AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 16	3	NHPP	\$13,736,632	\$10,989,306	\$2,747,326	MassDOT	Construction, Project is AC'd between 2025 & 2026, Total Project Cost = \$25,413,227, Design Status = Final Design
2026	610825	Central Mass	Multiple	SHREWSBURY- NORTHBOROUGH- REHABILITATION & BOX WIDENING ON ROUTE 20, FROM ROUTE 9 TO SOUTH STREET	3	NHPP	\$4,000,000	\$3,200,000	\$800,000	MassDOT	Construction, Project is AC'd between 2026 & 2030, Total Project Cost = \$46,875,467, Design Status = 100% \$359,840 in old re-purposed earmark funding is being applied to this project as part of the FY2025 earmark repurposing process. Additionally, an FY2026 federal earmark (Demo ID TBD at time of programming) totaling \$1,062,500 is being applied to this project.
Section 3B / Non-Federal Aid Funded							\$13,441,575	\$0	\$13,441,575		
Bridge On-system Non-NHS							\$13,441,575	\$0	\$13,441,575		
2026	612190	Central Mass	Holden	HOLDEN- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, H-18-004, SALISBURY STREET OVER G&W RAILROAD	3	NGBP	\$8,847,469	\$0	\$8,847,469	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$6,897,436, Design Status = 25%
2026	605323	Central Mass	Oxford	OXFORD- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, O-06-030, (ST 56) LEICESTER ROAD OVER THE FRENCH RIVER	3	NGBP	\$4,594,106	\$0	\$4,594,106	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$3,917,100, Design Status = 25%, YOY = 4%



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Year	MassDOT Project ID	MPO	Municipality	MassDOT Project Description	District	Funding Source	Total Programmed Funds	Federal Funds	Non-Federal Funds	Proponent	Other Information
Federal Fiscal Year 2027							\$125,010,519	\$73,901,858	\$51,108,661		
Section 1A / Regionally Prioritized Projects							\$29,710,934	\$24,257,342	\$5,453,592		
Intersection Improvements							\$5,885,952	\$5,197,357	\$688,595		
2027	609441	Central Mass	Northbridge	NORTHBRIDGE- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 122 (PROVIDENCE ROAD), SCHOOL STREET, SUTTON STREET, AND UPTON STREET	3	HSIP	\$4,885,952	\$4,397,357	\$488,595	Northbridge	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$4,885,922, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%, PM Score = 17 out of 27
2027	S13285	Central Mass		CMMPO PROJECT DESIGN FUNDING PROGRAM		STBG	\$1,000,000	\$800,000	\$200,000		Set aside for Project Design Funding Program.
Roadway Reconstruction							\$23,424,982	\$18,739,986	\$4,684,996		
2027	610931	Central Mass	Uxbridge	UXBRIDGE- REHABILITATION OF ROUTE 16 (DOUGLAS STREET), FROM TAFT HILL ROAD TO 200 FT WEST OF MAIN STREET	3	STBG	\$15,357,807	\$12,286,246	\$3,071,561	Uxbridge	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$15,357,807, Design Status = 25%, YOE = 4%, PM Score = 13 out of 27
2027	611933	Central Mass	Sturbridge	STURBRIDGE- ROUNDABOUT CONSTRUCTION AT THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 20 AND ROUTE 131	3	STBG	\$8,067,175	\$6,453,740	\$1,613,435	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$8,067,175, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%, PM Score = 15 out of 27
Transit Grant Program							\$400,000	\$320,000	\$80,000		
2027	S13284	Central Mass		CMMPO LRTP MICRO-PROJECT PROGRAM		TAP	\$400,000	\$320,000	\$80,000		Set aside for LRTP Micro-Projects Program
							HSIP Programmed	\$4,885,952	\$4,397,357	\$488,595	
							STBG Programmed	\$24,424,982	\$19,539,986	\$4,884,996	
							TAP Programmed	\$400,000	\$320,000	\$80,000	
							Total Programmed for Central Mass Region Projects*	\$29,710,934	\$24,257,343	\$5,453,591	
							Program Target for Central Mass Region Projects	\$30,868,911	\$24,695,129	\$6,173,782	
							Target Funds Available for Central Mass Region Projects	\$1,157,977	\$437,786	\$720,191	
Section 1B / Earmark or Discretionary Grant Funded Projects							\$10,482,174	\$10,482,174	\$0		
Bridge Off-system Local NB							\$10,482,174	\$10,482,174	\$0		
2027	612084	Central Mass	Barre	BARRE- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, B-02-004, OLD COLD BROOK ROAD OVER PRINCE RIVER	2	BROFF	\$5,926,038	\$5,926,038	\$0	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$5,926,038, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%
2027	613143	Central Mass	West Brookfield	WEST BROOKFIELD- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, W-19-002 (187), LONG HILL ROAD OVER QUABOAG RIVER	2	BROFF	\$4,556,136	\$4,556,136	\$0	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$6,173,622, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%



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Federal Fiscal Year 2027							\$125,010,519	\$73,901,858	\$51,108,661		
Section 2A / Federal Aid Funded State Prioritized Reliability Projects							\$36,738,305	\$29,437,131	\$7,301,174		
Bridge On-system NHS							\$25,635,083	\$20,508,066	\$5,127,017		
2027	609186	Central Mass	Dudley	DUDLEY- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, D-12-026, STATE ROUTE 131 OVER THE QUINEBAUG RIVER	3	NHPP-PEN	\$20,882,222	\$16,705,778	\$4,176,444	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$20,882,222, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%
2027	612181	Central Mass	Charlton	CHARLTON- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, C-06-019, US 20 STURBRIDGE ROAD OVER CADY BROOK	3	NHPP-PEN	\$4,752,861	\$3,802,289	\$950,572	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$4,752,861, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%
Non-Interstate Pavement							\$6,896,354	\$5,517,083	\$1,379,271		
2027	612089	Central Mass	Southbridge	DUDLEY- SOUTHBRIDGE- RESURFACING AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 131	3	NHPP	\$6,896,354	\$5,517,083	\$1,379,271	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$6,896,354, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%
Bridge Off-System							\$3,741,988	\$2,993,590	\$748,398		
2027	612092	Central Mass	Uxbridge	UXBRIDGE - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, U-02-051, HOMEWARD AVENUE OVER PROVIDENCE WORCESTER RAILROAD	3	STBG-BR-OFF	\$3,741,988	\$2,993,590	\$748,398		
Safety Improvements							\$464,880	\$418,392	\$46,488		
2027	612648	Central Mass	Multiple	WEBSTER- OXFORD- AUBURN- GUIDE AND TRAFFIC SIGN REPLACEMENT ON I-395	3	HSIP	\$464,880	\$418,392	\$46,488	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$464,880, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%
Section 2B / Federal Aid Funded State Prioritized Modernization Projects							\$12,156,512	\$9,725,210	\$2,431,302		
Roadway Reconstruction							\$12,156,512	\$9,725,210	\$2,431,302		
2027	610825	Central Mass	Multiple	SHREWSBURY- NORTHBOROUGH- REHABILITATION & BOX WIDENING ON ROUTE 20, FROM ROUTE 9 TO SOUTH STREET	3	NHPP	\$12,156,512	\$9,725,210	\$2,431,302	MassDOT	Construction, Project is AC'd between 2026 & 2030, Total Project Cost = \$46,875,467, Design Status = 100% \$359,840 in old re-purposed earmark funding is being applied to this project as part of the FY2025 earmark repurposing process. Additionally, an FY2026 federal earmark (Demo ID TBD at time of programming) totaling \$1,062,500 is being applied to this project.



Central Mass Region Program

STIP: 2026 - 2030 (D)

Year	MassDOT Project ID	MPO	Municipality	MassDOT Project Description	District	Funding Source	Total Programmed Funds	Federal Funds	Non-Federal Funds	Proponent	Other Information
Federal Fiscal Year 2027							\$125,010,519	\$73,901,858	\$51,108,661		
Section 3B / Non-Federal Aid Funded							\$35,922,594	\$0	\$35,922,594		
Bridge On-system Non-NHS							\$10,350,419	\$0	\$10,350,419		
2027	605323	Central Mass	Oxford	~~OXFORD- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, O-06-030, (ST 56) LEICESTER ROAD OVER THE FRENCH RIVER~~	3	NGBP	~~\$3,917,100~~	~~\$0~~	~~\$3,917,100~~	MassDOT	~~Construction, Total Project Cost = \$3,917,100, Design Status = 25%, YOE = 4%~~
2027	612510	Central Mass	Grafton	GRAFTON- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, G-08-020, (SR 140) SHREWSBURY STREET OVER MBTA/CSX RAILROAD	3	NGBP	\$10,350,419	\$0	\$10,350,419	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$10,350,419, Design Status = 25%, YOE = 4%
Bridge On-system NHS							\$25,572,175	\$0	\$25,572,175		
2027	612192	Central Mass	Auburn	AUBURN- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, A-17-038, US 20 (WB) WASHINGTON STREET OVER I-395	3	NGBP	\$25,572,175	\$0	\$25,572,175	MassDOT	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$29,315,207, Design Status = 25%, YOE = 4%

Amendment #9 Proactive Public Outreach Summary

**Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization
Proposed Amendment #9 to the 2026-2030 TIP Available for Public Review & Comment**

For information purposes and in accordance with the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization's (CMMPO) formal Public Participation Plan, the transportation staff of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC) announces the release of the Proposed Amendment #9 to the CMMPO Endorsed 2026-2030 TIP highway project listing for the federally required 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 the listing of all transportation projects-highway, transit, intermodal-in the planning region programmed to receive federal-aid funding. Proposed TIP Amendment #9 includes two (2) changes: Cost increase of 608961 – Worcester Intersection Improvements on Chandler Street and May Street and the movement of 605323 – Oxford Bridge Replacement, O-06-030, (ST 56) Leicester Road over French River from FFY 2027 to FFY 2026.

All interested parties are welcome to attend a virtual public meeting to discuss Proposed Amendment #9 on **Tuesday, July 7, 2026**, at 5:00 PM using ZOOM. The details to join the public meeting can be found on the CMRPC website meeting calendar. The established deadline for public comments on the Proposed Amendment is 4:30 PM on **Wednesday, July 8, 2026**. Summary materials pertaining to the proposed amendment are available at www.cmrpc.org. Printed summary materials are available upon request at 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 Virtual Public Meeting

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

Proposed 2026 – 2030 TIP Amendment #9

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 Proposed Amendment #9 to the 2026-2030 TIP has been released for a 21-day public review and comment period. Proposed Amendment #9 changes to the highway project listing are:

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The meeting agenda and summary materials pertaining to the above listed documents are available on the CMRPC website calendar at <https://cmrpc.org/event/cmm-po-tip-amendment-9-virtual-public-meeting/>.

There will be opportunities for the public to comment on the Proposed TIP Amendment #9 during the virtual ZOOM meeting **Tuesday, July 7, 2026, at 5:00 PM**. The Zoom meeting connection details are included on the meeting agenda.

All written comments can be sent to Kevin Krasnecky at kkrasnecky@cmrpc.org and all comments received before Wednesday, July 8, 2026, at 4:30PM will be fully considered.

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Virtual Public Meeting to Discuss the Proposed Amendment #9 to the 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing

Date: Tuesday, July 7, 2026

Time: 5:00 PM

Place: This meeting will be held virtually through ZOOM. Connection details are included on this agenda and meeting materials are available on the CMRPC website calendar at <https://cmrpc.org/event/cmm-po-tip-amendment-9-virtual-public-meeting/>.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order & Introductions
2. Proposed 2026-2030 TIP Amendment #9
 - TIP Amendment #9 Overview
 - Acceptance of Public Comment & Input
3. Adjournment

Please Note: All comments on the Proposed Amendment #9 to the 2026-2030 TIP should be forwarded to Kevin Krasnecky at kkrasnecky@cmrpc.org prior to the CMMPO-established 4:30 PM deadline on **Wednesday, July 8, 2026**.

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Tuesday, July 7, 2026, at 5:00 PM

Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82956845338?pwd=h25D8u16qWJRB2UBUVmCmYgb5bLs3p.1>

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CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

The minutes of the 2026-2030 TIP Proposed Amendment #9 virtual public meeting held Tuesday, July 7, 2026, through ZOOM.

- **Guests:**

1. Steve Rolle, Worcester
2. Sarah Bradbury, MassDOT District #3
3. Justin Leduc, Oxford
4. Anand Sharma, Shrewsbury

- **CMRPC Staff Present:**

1. Kevin Krasnecky
2. Rich Rydant
3. Sujatha Krishnan

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Call to Order & Around the Room Introductions

Kevin Krasnecky, CMRPC, called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM and made introductions.

Proposed Amendment #9 to the 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing

Kevin Krasnecky presented the Proposed Amendment #9. Amendment #9 had changes to two projects. These changes included:

- Cost increase for target **Project #608961 – Worcester – Intersection Improvements on Chandler Street and May Street** in FFY 2026. The cost has increased in the amount of \$1,645,731 for a new Total Project Cost of \$10,121,005. The changes are:
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There were no comments or questions.

Adjournment

Before Mr. Krasnecky closed the public meeting, he mentioned the deadline for public comments on the proposed Amendment #9 was 4:30 PM on Wednesday, July 8th. With no additional comments or questions, the virtual public meeting closed at 5:09 PM.

Public Comments Received

City of Worcester

- The City of Worcester informed staff that they will be formally pausing the advertisement for the Chandler Street/May Street intersection project. Therefore, the cost increase changes would not be needed and instead the project would be removed from FFY 2026.

CMMPO & CMMPO Advisory Committee Proceedings

- CMMPO June 17, 2026 – Initiate Amendment
- CMMPO July 15, 2026 – Endorse Amendment
- Advisory Committee June 24, 2026 – Recommend Approval of Amendment

CMMPO June 17, 2026 – Initiate Amendment



Meeting of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization

Date: Wednesday, **June 17**, 2026

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-25/>

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89100802057?pwd=2d3fudQRGqXxT5b4VJTWmc96Kla0qU.1>

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AGENDA

- Introduction
- Approval of May 20, 2026, Meeting Minutes
- Opportunity for Public Comment
- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 - **Potential Action:** Approval of Proposed Amendment #7 to the FFY 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing
 - **Potential Action:** Approval of Proposed Adjustment #8 to the FFY 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing
 - **Potential Action:** Release Proposed Amendment #9 to the FFY 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing for 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period
- FFY 2027 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
 - **Potential Action:** Approval of FFY 2027 UPWP
- Public Participation Plan (PPP)
 - **Potential Action:** Release Draft FY 2026 Public Participation Plan (PPP) for 45-Day Public Review and Comment Period
- Vernon Connected Presentation
- Staff Updates
 - Grant Applications
 - Charles River Headwater Greenway Project
- New Business

- Next Meetings:
 - o CMMPO Advisory Committee meeting (virtual) – June 24, 2026, at 3:00 PM
 - o CMMPO meeting (virtual) – July 15, 2026, at 4:00 PM
- Adjournment

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CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (CMMPO)

The minutes of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (CMMPO) meeting, on **Wednesday, June 17th, 2026**. This meeting was held virtually using Zoom Webinar.

- **CMMPO Members Present:**

1. Derek Shooster – MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning, designee to MassDOT Interim Secretary Phillip Eng
2. Ann Sullivan – MassDOT Highway Division District #3, designee to MassDOT Highway Division Administrator Jonathon Gulliver
3. Josh Rickman – WRTA Administrator
4. Bob Hassinger – designee to CMRPC Commission Chair
5. Betsy Goodrich – designee to City Manager Eric Batista
6. Jesse Limanek – Sutton, Southeast Subregion Representative
7. Jared Grigg – Spencer, West Subregion Representative
8. Leah Whiteman – Rutland, North Subregion Alternate
9. John Daniel – Southbridge, Southwest Subregion Representative

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

1. Miranda Briseno – MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning

- **Guests:**

1. Daryl Amaral – MassDOT D2
2. Sarah Bradbury – MassDOT D3
3. Jim Proia
4. Doug
5. Adrian Buteyn
6. Whitney Burdge – Stantec

7. Jason Schreiber - Stantec

- **CMRPC Staff**

1. Sujatha Krishnan, Deputy Director – Transportation
2. Kevin Krasnecky, Manager, Transportation Improvement Program – Transportation
3. Rich Rydant, Director, MPO Activities – Transportation
4. Yahaira Graxirena, Director, Access and Mobility – Transportation
5. Nate Lewis, Associate Planner, Public Outreach Coordinator – Transportation

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Agenda Item #1 – Introductions

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

Agenda Item #2 – Approval of May 20, 2026, Meeting Minutes

Bob Hassinger made a motion and was seconded by Jesse Limanek to approve May 20, 2026, meeting minutes. With one member abstaining, all other members present voted to approve of the April 15, 2026, meeting minutes.

Derek Shooster – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Josh Rickman – Yes

Bob Hassinger – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

John Daniel – Abstain

Jared Grigg – Yes

Leah Whiteman - Yes

Agenda Item #3 – Opportunity for Public Comment

There were no comments from the public at this meeting.

Agenda Item #4 – Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

- **Potential Action:** Approval of the Proposed Amendment #7 Changes to the FFY 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing

Kevin Krasnecky presented this item. Proposed Amendment #7 includes the following changes:

- **612195 – Worcester – Superstructure Replacement, W-44-091, I-290 over East Central Street** will be removed from FFY 2026. This project will be programmed in FFY 2027 of the new 2027-2031 TIP.
- **614241 – District 2 & District 3 – VRU Crosswalk Installation at State Signals at Multiple Locations** will be added to FFY 2026. The Total Project Cost is \$622,383.

Jared Grigg asked why the Worcester bridge project moved back to FFY 2027. Ann Sullivan said it was due to another nearby bridge project in Worcester in which the detour routes for these projects would impact on each other and the timing of the construction for East Central Street could be more spaced out.

Ann Sullivan made a motion and was seconded by Josh Rickman to approve Proposed Amendment #7 to the FFY 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing. All members voted to approve the Proposed Amendment #7.

Derek Shooster – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Josh Rickman – Yes

Bob Hassinger – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

Jared Grigg – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

John Daniel – Yes

Leah Whiteman - Yes

- **Potential Action:** Approval of the Proposed Adjustment #8 Changes to the FFY 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing

Kevin Krasnecky presented this item. Proposed Adjustment #8 includes the following changes:

- **Project #610825 – Shrewsbury/Northborough – Rehabilitation & Box Widening on Route 20, from Route 9 to South Street.**
 - o In FFY 2026, add \$7,129,141 in PROTECT (PRCT) funding under Section 2A (Federal Aid Funded State Prioritized Reliability Projects).
 - o In FFY 2028, reduce the NHPP funding from \$17,060,095 to \$15,027,401, which is a decrease of \$2,032,694.
 - o In FFY 2029, removed entire amount (\$5,096,447) of NHPP funding.

There were no comments or questions.

Jared Grigg made a motion and was seconded by Betsy Goodrich to approve Proposed Adjustment #8 to the FFY 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing. All members voted to approve the Proposed Adjustment #8.

Derek Shooster – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Josh Rickman – Yes

Bob Hassinger – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

Jared Grigg – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

John Daniel – Yes

Leah Whiteman - Yes

- **Potential Action:** Release Proposed Amendment #9 to the FFY 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing for 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period

Kevin Krasnecky presented this item. Proposed Amendment #9 includes the following changes:

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Jared Grigg asked what the reason was for the cost increase of the Chandler Street/May Street project. Mr. Krasnecky said that since the 75% design submission, the bid items have increased, mainly the utility estimates.

Derek Shooster asked the members if they would like to conditionally approve the changes included in this amendment so the CMMPO would not have to meet in July. If staff does receive any major comments during the public comment period, then the CMMPO would meet in July.

Bob Hassinger made a motion and was seconded by Jared Grigg to conditionally approve Proposed Amendment #9 to the FFY 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing while also releasing for a 21-day public review and comment period. All members voted unanimously to conditionally approve and release the Proposed Amendment #9 for public comment.

Derek Shooster – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Josh Rickman – Yes

Bob Hassinger – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

Jared Grigg – Yes

John Daniel – Yes

Leah Whiteman - Yes

Agenda Item #5 – FFY 2027 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

- **Potential Action:** Approval of FFY 2027

Sujatha Krishnan presented this item. Ms. Krishnan reviewed the table of contents and summary of public comments. Ms. Krishnan said that a virtual public meeting was held on Tuesday, June 9th at 5:00 PM and only one person attended, with no comments received. MassDOT Office of Transportation also reviewed the document and provided a couple of comments. They were:

- The De-Obligated PL funds of \$250,000 were approved by MassDOT for the Vernon Connected Economic Impact Study and staff added the funding information to Task 4.4 as well as the budget tables.
- An accessibility issue with the Draft document was noted and staff will work to fix the issue for the CMMPO Endorsed document.

There were no comments or questions.

Bob Hassinger made a motion and was seconded by Ann Sullivan to approved FFY 2027 UPWP. All members voted unanimously to approve of the FFY 2027 UPWP.

Derek Shooster – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Josh Rickman – Yes

Bob Hassinger – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

John Daniel – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

Jared Grigg – Yes

Leah Whiteman - Yes

Agenda Item #6 – Public Participation Plan (PPP)

- **Potential Action:** Release Draft FY 2026 Public Participation Plan (PPP) for 45-Day Public Review and Comment Period

Nate Lewis presented this item. Mr. Lewis said that staff have completed the Draft FY 2026 PPP as summarized in the presentation that was given at the May CMMPO meeting. For the Draft PPP there is a 45-day public review and comment period. Two virtual public meetings will be held at 12:00 PM and 5:00 PM on July 21st.

Derek Shooster asked if there was a submission deadline for the PPP. Sujatha Krishnan said there is no deadline and staff will likely bring the PPP back to the CMMPO for approval at their September meeting.

Jesse Limanek made a motion and was seconded by Bob Hassinger to release the Draft FFY 2026 PPP for a 45-day public review and comment period. All members voted unanimously to release the Draft FFY 2026 PPP for public comment.

Derek Shooster – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Josh Rickman – Yes

Bob Hassinger – Yes

Betsy Goodrich – Yes

John Daniel – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

Jared Grigg – Yes

Leah Whiteman - Yes

Agenda Item #7 – Vernon Connected Presentation

Jason Schreiber, Stantec, presented this item. Mr. Schreiber provided an overview of the public engagement activities for the Vernon Connected Study. There were 16 Community Pop-Up/Table Sessions, 250+ survey responses, 3 Public Workshops, 1 Special Public Event with Jeff Speck, many targeted stakeholder discussions, 5 Advisory Committee meetings, and 7 Steering Committee meetings. The Jeff Speck event was held on March 19, 2026, and had over 160 attendees. There was a public workshop held on March 24, 2026, and it had over 50 attendees. There was also an Oral History Event held on April 16, 2026, which was to share the history of the study area.

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Lastly, Stantec will analyze metrics for a preferred scenario. There is also a final survey out for the public to take before July 6th.

Jared Grigg asked if emergency vehicles were considered. Mr. Scheiber said not specifically and not for operations. Bob Hassinger asked about the cost of the improvements. Mr. Schreiber said the cost and funding sources are not being considered at this time.

Agenda Item #8 – Staff Updates

- **Grant Applications:** Sujatha Krishnan said that CMRPC applied for a regional trails project through the Community One Stop program and staff also assisted multiple towns applying for a Strap Grant. For the grants through MassDOT's Grant Central, staff assisted multiple towns for the first round and are awaiting the results while the second round is now open.
- **Charles River Headwater Greenway Project:** Nate Lewis said that CMRPC applied for and were awarded a Mass Trails grant for a feasibility study, partnering with MAPC. The grant amount was \$100,000. The length of the study area is about 8 miles and the project started in March. Bowman was selected as the consultant for the study. Staff recently completed a site visit to the area, and the study is expected to be completed by next June.

Agenda Item #9 – New Business

There was no new business.

Agenda Item # 10 – Next Meetings

- CMMPO Advisory Committee meeting (virtual) – June 24, 2026 at 3:00 PM
- CMMPO Committee meeting (virtual) – July 15, 2026 at 4:00 PM

Agenda Item #11 – Adjournment

Jared Grigg made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Bob Hassinger. The meeting concluded at 5:03 PM.

Meeting Minutes prepared by: Kevin Krasnecky, TIP Manager

CMMPO July 15, 2026 – Endorse Amendment



Meeting of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization

Date: Wednesday, **July 15**, 2026

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-26/>

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82544074345?pwd=agndxKaKHmKzYqdvJk0PAIxyFZ1qf.1>

Webinar ID: 825 4407 4345

Password: 605294

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AGENDA

- Introduction
- Approval of June 17, 2026, Meeting Minutes
- Opportunity for Public Comment
- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 - o **Potential Action:** Approval of Proposed Amendment #9 to the FFY 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing
 - Maintain Oxford bridge project changes as proposed.
 - Staff recommendation for Worcester project is to be removed from FFY 2026.
- Staff Updates
- New Business
- Next Meetings:
 - o CMMPO Advisory Committee meeting (virtual) – TBD
 - o CMMPO meeting (virtual) – TBD
- Adjournment

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CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (CMMPO)

The minutes of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (CMMPO) meeting, on **Wednesday, July 15th, 2026**. This meeting was held virtually using Zoom Webinar.

- **CMMPO Members Present:**

1. Derek Shooster – MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning, designee to MassDOT Interim Secretary Phillip Eng
2. Ann Sullivan – MassDOT Highway Division District #3, designee to MassDOT Highway Division Administrator Jonathon Gulliver
3. Josh Rickman – WRTA Administrator
4. Bob Hassinger – designee to CMRPC Commission Chair
5. Stephen Rolle – designee to City Manager Eric Batista
6. Bill Filsinger – Boylston, Northeast Subregion Alternate
7. Jesse Limanek – Sutton, Southeast Subregion Representative
8. Jared Grigg – Spencer, West Subregion Representative
9. Leah Whiteman – Rutland, North Subregion Alternate

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

1. Miranda Briseno – MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning

- **Guests:**

1. Daryl Amaral – MassDOT D2
2. Sarah Bradbury – MassDOT D3
3. Etel Haxhijaj
4. Karin Valentine Goins, Walk Bike Worcester
5. Chris
6. Bill

- **CMRPC Staff**

1. Sujatha Krishnan, Deputy Director – Transportation
2. Kevin Krasnecky, Manager, Transportation Improvement Program – Transportation
3. Rich Rydant, Director, MPO Activities – Transportation
4. Zack Blais, Principal Planner, Environmental Planning – Transportation

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Agenda Item #1 – Introductions

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

Agenda Item #2 – Approval of June 17, 2026, Meeting Minutes

Bob Hassinger made a motion and was seconded by Jesse Limanek to approve the June 17, 2026, meeting minutes. All members present voted unanimously to approve of the June 17, 2026, meeting minutes. Bill Filsinger was not present for the vote of the minutes.

Derek Shooster – Yes

Stephen Rolle – Yes

Ann Sullivan – Yes

Jesse Limanek – Yes

Josh Rickman – Yes

Jared Grigg – Yes

Bob Hassinger – Yes

Leah Whiteman - Yes

Agenda Item #3 – Opportunity for Public Comment

Several public comments regarding the TIP Project #608961 – Worcester – Intersection Improvements on Chandler Street and May Street were made.

1. **Etel Haxhijaj** – Ms. Haxhijaj commented that she is a former District #5 Worcester City Councilor in which this project resides and is a member of the community. Ms. Haxhijaj supports this project and is disappointed the city is delaying the advertisement for this project in consideration of all the work and money spent on design. Misinformation has been spread concerning the project as well as claims that the project will result in dangerous travel conditions. Ms. Haxhijaj indicated that it is good that a community refresher meeting is planned to discuss this project. While there is opposition to the project, Ms. Haxhijaj ensures there is community support, especially after people in the neighborhood learned about the true facts of the project and hopes to work to help clear up misinformation about the project in the public.
2. **Karin Valentine Goins** – Ms. Goins commented that she is a Worcester resident and transportation advocate for 30 years, and she strongly supports the Chandler Street project based on both personal experience and community feedback. Ms. Goins described the corridor as unsafe for pedestrians and cyclists, citing frequent speeding, dangerous crossings, and the recent injury of their husband after being struck by a vehicle nearby. While disappointed by delays, Ms. Goins argued the project is needed to improve safety. Ms. Goins commented that opposition has been exaggerated and driven by misinformation, describing a neighborhood meeting where inaccurate claims about the project were presented, yet more attendees ultimately spoke in favor of it than against it. Karin also commented on the growing public support through outreach to residents and elected officials, her plans for a fact-based public education campaign, and promotion of the upcoming public meeting to reintroduce the project. Ms. Goins also commented on hopes for Worcester State University to publicly clarify its position, noting that its concerns appear to focus on construction impacts rather than opposition to the project itself.

3. **Chris** – Chris commented that he is a Worcester resident and lives within a mile from the project area. Chris supports the project and is dismayed by its delay. Chris is excited about Worcester’s growth, but part of it needs to be invested in infrastructure. Chris also commented that there is a lot of misinformation about the project, including picket signs in yards that say “Say No to the Double Rotary”.

Agenda Item #4 – Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

- **Potential Action:** Approval of Proposed Amendment #9 to the FFY 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing

Kevin Krasnecky presented this item. There were two changes regarding the Proposed Amendment #9:

- Cost increase for target ***Project #608961 – Worcester – Intersection Improvements on Chandler Street and May Street*** in FFY 2026. The cost has increased in the amount of \$1,645,731 for a New Total Project Cost of \$10,121,005. The changes are:
 - Add Carbon Reduction (CRP) funding in the amount of \$4,171,534.
 - STBG funding decreased from \$5,031,709 to \$1,750,053, a total decrease of \$3,281,656.
 - CMAQ funding increased from \$2,000,000 to \$2,040,014, a total increase of \$40,014.
 - HSIP funding increased from \$1,000,000 to \$1,715,835, a total increase of \$715,835.

MassDOT Public Comments: The City of Worcester informed staff that they will be formally pausing the advertisement for the Chandler Street/May Street intersection project. Therefore, the cost increase changes would not be needed and instead the project would be REMOVED from FFY 2026.
- Move ***Project #605323 – Oxford – Bridge Replacement, O-06-030, (ST 56) Leicester Road over the French River*** from FFY 2027 to FFY 2026. The updated Total Project Cost is \$4,594,106.

Following the review of Worcester project changes there was much discussion. Stephen Rolle commented on the current status of the project. The City is working on the Right of Way (ROW) and all its complexities. Mr. Rolle noted that he is aware of the opposition and the confusion about this project. Work also needs to be done in order to build community understanding and support for the project so there likely will be another public meeting for this project. All of this has made it clear that the advertising deadline would not be met for FY 2026. Instead, the city will work with MassDOT and the CMMPO to get the project advertised and funded in FFY 2027. Jared Grigg asked when the project was originally funded. Kevin Krasnecky replied that it was either FFY 2024 or FFY 2025 and it has previously been pushed back. Mr. Grigg asked what

would happen to the funding for the Worcester project. Derek Shooster said it would likely be added to another project, maybe the Shrewsbury/Northborough – Route 20 project.

Mr. Grigg asked if Mr. Rolle could provide the feedback to the CMMPO from the public meeting. Mr. Rolle said yes, he can provide a summary. Mr. Grigg also asked if this change would push back other projects to fit into FFY 2027. Sujatha Krishnan replied that there is no current plan to fit this project into FY 2027, but it likely would not impact other projects. The CMMPO would decide how the project could be programmed in the 2027 – 2031 TIP once it is active. Derek Shooster noted that changes can't be made to the 2027 – 2031 TIP until it is federally approved, likely sometime in October. Other comments included disappointment with these changes being brought up so late. Further, there was consensus for the CMMPO to vote on the approval of Amendment #9 project changes separately, rather than together.

Bob Hassinger made a motion and was seconded by Ann Sullivan to approve Amendment #9 to move Project #605323 – Oxford – Bridge Replacement, O-06-030, (ST 56) Leicester Road over the French River from FFY 2027 to FFY 2026. All members present voted unanimously to approve this change.

Derek Shooster – Yes
Ann Sullivan – Yes
Josh Rickman – Yes
Bob Hassinger – Yes
Stephen Rolle – Yes

Bill Filsinger – Yes
Jesse Limanek – Yes
Jared Grigg – Yes
Leah Whiteman – Yes

Jared Grigg made a motion and was seconded by Jesse Limanek to approve the removal of target Project #608961 – Worcester – Intersection Improvements on Chandler Street and May Street from FFY 2026. All members present voted to approve this change. Bob Hassinger voted “present”.

Derek Shooster – Yes
Ann Sullivan – Yes
Josh Rickman – Yes
Bob Hassinger – Present
Stephen Rolle – Yes

Bill Filsinger – Yes
Jesse Limanek – Yes
Jared Grigg – Yes
Leah Whiteman – Yes

Agenda Item #5 – Staff Updates

There were no staff updates.

Agenda Item #6 – New Business

There was no new business.

Agenda Item #7 – Next Meetings

- CMMPO Advisory Committee meeting (virtual) – TBD
- CMMPO Committee meeting (virtual) – TBD

Agenda Item #8 – Adjournment

Jared Grigg made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Jesse Limanek. The meeting concluded at 4:40 PM.

Meeting Minutes prepared by: Zack Blais, Principal Planner

Advisory Committee June 24, 2026 – Recommend Approval of Amendment



Meeting of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Committee

Date: Wednesday, **June 24**, 2026

Time: **3:00 PM**

Place: Zoom Webinar Virtual Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87628844971>

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

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AGENDA

- Around the Room Introductions
- Approval of **May 27, 2026** Meeting Minutes
- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 - **ACTION ITEM:** Seeking recommendation concerning CMMPO endorsement of the Proposed Amendment #9 to the 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing
- Public Participation Plan
 - **ACTION ITEM:** Seeking recommendation concerning CMMPO endorsement of the DRAFT CMMPO Public Participation Plan.
- Vernon Connected
 - Presentation
- Charles River Headwater Greenway
 - Presentation
- Staff Updates
 - Safe Streets for All
 - Shared Streets and Spaces Grant Opportunity
- New Business
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 - CMMPO Meeting (virtual) – Wednesday, July 15, 2026 at 4:00 PM
- Adjournment

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CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The minutes of the CMMPO Advisory Committee meeting held **June 24th, 2026**. The meeting was held virtually through Zoom.

CMMPO Advisory Committee Members Present:

- Chris Payant – Town of Westborough
- Joanne Clarke – AARP
- Claudia Oliviera De Paiva – Community Health Center
- Caleigh McClaren – Blackstone Watershed Collaborative
- Feanna Jatta Singh – MAWOCC
- Adam Thielker – Tasks for Transit
- Sarah Bradbury – MassDOT District 3
- Alysha Irisari Malo – Town of Douglas
- Thomas Driscoll – 495 Partnership
- Nick Burnham – WRTA
- Daryl Amaral – MassDOT District 2

Ex-Officio Members Present:

- N/A

CMRPC Staff Present:

- Nathan Lewis
- Kevin Krasnecky
- Sujatha Krishnan
- Yahaira Graxirena
- Richard Rydant

Agenda Item #1 – Around the Room Introductions

Due to the Chair and the Co-Chair absent from the meeting CMRPC staff Yahaira Graxirena opened the meeting at 3:04 PM. A roll call of the CMMPO Advisory members was announced, followed by the roll call of the remaining attendees.

Agenda Item #2 – Approval of May 27th, 2026, Meeting Minutes

Minutes for May 27th, 2026, CMMPO Advisory meeting were considered for approval. Yahaira Graxirena entertains a motion to approve the May 27th, 2026, meeting minutes. Nick Burnham makes a motion to approve. The motion is seconded by Thomas Driscoll. The vote was unanimous in favor of approval.

Agenda Item #3 – Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Potential Action: Seeking recommendation concerning CMMPO endorsement of the Proposed Amendment #9 to the 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing.

Kevin Krasnecky presented this item. Proposed Amendment #9 includes the following changes:

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Alysha Malo asked what the acronyms for the budget items stand for.

Kevin Krasnecky explained each acronym:

CR – Carbon Reduction

STBG – Surface Transportation Block Grant Program

CMAC – Congestion Mitigation, Air Quality Funding

HIP – Highway Safety Improvement Program

There were no further comments or questions regarding these changes.

Joanne Clarke made a motion and was seconded by Adam Thielker concerning CMMPO endorsement of the Proposed Amendment #9 to the 2026-2030 TIP Highway Project Listing.

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Potential Action: Release Draft FY 2026 Public Participation Plan (PPP) for 45-Day Public Review and Comment Period.

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Lastly, Stantec will analyze metrics for a preferred scenario. There is also a final survey out for the public to take before July 6th.

There were no comments or questions.

Agenda Item #6 – Charles River Headwater Greenway

Nathan Lewis presented this item and provided an update on the Charles River Headwaters Greenway Feasibility Study. Mr. Lewis gave an overview of the project for members who were new to the effort and reviewed work completed since the project's initiation.

The project is currently underway with monthly meetings, an engagement plan, a stakeholder inventory, and a site visit that included the trail segments within the Towns of Blackstone, Mendon, and Bellingham.

Looking ahead, the consultant team, Bowman, will be preparing an existing conditions assessment and beginning work on a StoryMap that CMRPC will host on its website.

Feanna Jattan-Singh asked how the public can participate in the trail walks.

Nathan Lewis explained that when the public engagement plan begins with groups there will be an opportunity for public participation in the trail walks.

There were no further questions or comments.

Agenda Item #7 – Staff Updates

- Safe Streets for All (SS4A): Sujatha Krishnan updated the group about recent SS4A project updates. The online survey will close soon, and staff have received over 1,000 responses. The consultants are currently compiling all the data and coming up with a list of projects and high crash locations in each of the communities.

- Shared Streets and Spaces Grant Opportunity: Sujatha Krishnan shared that the Shared Streets and Spaces Grant is open along with the round two of the Grant Central grants.

Agenda Item #8 – New Business

Yahaira Graxirena mentioned that CMRPC received an AARP Communities Grant for walk audits in the Green Island, Vernon Hill, Canal District area to improve walkability for folks 50+ as well as the overall community.

Agenda Item #8 Next Meetings

Yahaira Graxirena announced the schedule for the next meeting with a caveat of no action items for the next meeting there will not be a meeting in July:

- CMMPO Advisory Committee meeting (virtual) – July 22nd, 2026, at 3:00 PM
- CMMPO Meeting (virtual) – Wednesday, July 15th, 2026, at 4:00 PM

Agenda Item #9 – Adjournment

At 4:08 PM Yahaira Graxirena called for a motion to adjourn. Nick Burnham made the motion, which Joanne Clarke seconded. The group voted unanimously to adjourn.

Meeting minutes prepared: Nathan Lewis, Public Outreach Coordinator

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