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Amendment #4 Highway Project Listings & Summary Materials

Proposed Amendment #4 to the 2024 to 2028 TIP Highway List

Highway (FFY 2024):

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



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							\$87,470,803	\$71,307,443	\$16,163,360	
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	8076826 \$7,438,636	6461461 \$5,950,909	1615365 \$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

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Federal Fiscal Year 2024							\$87,470,803	\$71,307,443	\$16,163,360	
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	612874	Central Mass	Multiple	SHREWSBURY- WORCESTER- BRIDGE- MAINTENANCE, S-14-021-W-44-115 (1RA & 1RB), I-290 (EB AND WB) OVER COMBINATION OF LAKE QUINSIGMOND AND LAKE AVENUE NORTH	3	HIP-BR	\$1,302,740	\$1,042,192	\$260,548	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$1,302,740, Design Status = Approved
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							\$23,460,610	\$19,366,488	\$4,094,122	
Non-Interstate Pavement							\$5,100,000	\$4,080,000	\$1,020,000	
2024	612098	Central Mass	Multiple	UPTON- GRAFTON- RESURFACING AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 140	3	NHPP	\$5,100,000	\$4,080,000	\$1,020,000	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							\$87,470,803	\$71,307,443	\$16,163,360	
Section 2B / State Prioritized Modernization Projects							\$28,263,654	\$23,343,724	\$4,919,930	
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							\$1,931,230	\$1,544,984	\$386,246	
2024	609528	Central Mass	Grafton	GRAFTON- MILLBURY STREET IMPROVEMENTS (SRTS)	3	TAP	\$1,931,230	\$1,544,984	\$386,246	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$1,931,230, Design Status = 100%

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Federal Fiscal Year 2025							\$154,238,985	\$89,453,013	\$64,785,972	
Section 1A / Regionally Prioritized Projects							\$22,854,617	\$18,483,694	\$4,370,923	
Roadway Reconstruction							\$10,484,633	\$8,387,706	\$2,096,927	
2025	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	\$2,776,050	\$2,220,840	\$555,210	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
2025	609049	Central Mass	West Brookfield	WEST BROOKFIELD- RESURFACING & RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 9, FROM 850' WEST OF WELCOME ROAD TO PIERCE ROAD (1 MILE - PHASE II)	2	STBG	\$7,708,583	\$6,166,866	\$1,541,717	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$7,708,583, Design Status = 75%, YOE = 4%, PM Score = 11 out of 27
Intersection Improvements							\$12,369,984	\$10,095,987	\$2,273,997	
2025	608778	Central Mass	Southbridge	SOUTHBRIDGE- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT CENTRAL STREET, FOSTER STREET, HOOK STREET AND HAMILTON STREET	3	CMAQ	\$2,000,000	\$1,600,000	\$400,000	Construction, CMAQ + HSIP + STBG Total Project Cost = \$6,129,437, Design Status = 100%, YOE = 4%, PM Score = 14 out of 27
2025	608778	Central Mass	Southbridge	SOUTHBRIDGE- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT CENTRAL STREET, FOSTER STREET, HOOK STREET AND HAMILTON STREET	3	HSIP	\$1,000,000	\$900,000	\$100,000	Construction, CMAQ + HSIP + STBG Total Project Cost = \$6,129,437, Design Status = 100%, YOE = 4%, PM Score = 14 out of 27
2025	608778	Central Mass	Southbridge	SOUTHBRIDGE- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT CENTRAL STREET, FOSTER STREET, HOOK STREET AND HAMILTON STREET	3	STBG	\$3,129,437	\$2,503,550	\$625,887	Construction, CMAQ + HSIP + STBG Total Project Cost = \$6,129,437, Design Status = 100%, YOE = 4%, PM Score = 14 out of 27
2025	608961	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON CHANDLER STREET AND MAY STREET	3	HSIP	\$1,000,000	\$900,000	\$100,000	Construction, HSIP + STBG Total Project Cost = \$6,240,547, Design Status = 25%, YOE = 4%, PM Score = 14 out of 27
2025	608961	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER- INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON CHANDLER STREET AND MAY STREET	3	STBG	\$5,240,547	\$4,192,438	\$1,048,109	Construction, HSIP + STBG Total Project Cost = \$6,240,547, Design Status = 25%, YOE = 4%, PM Score = 14 out of 27
CMAQ Programmed							\$4,776,050	\$3,820,840	\$955,210	
HSIP Programmed							\$2,000,000	\$1,800,000	\$200,000	
STBG Programmed							\$16,078,567	\$12,862,854	\$3,215,713	
Total Programmed for Central Mass Region Projects*							\$22,854,617	\$18,483,694	\$4,370,923	
Program Target for Central Mass Region Projects							\$25,974,513	\$20,779,610	\$5,194,903	
Target Funds Available for Central Mass Region Projects							\$3,119,896	\$2,295,916	\$823,980	

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Federal Fiscal Year 2025							\$154,238,985	\$89,453,013	\$64,785,972	
Section 1B / Earmark or Discretionary Grant Funded Projects							\$9,367,896	\$9,096,926	\$270,970	
Bridge Off-system Local NB							\$8,013,046	\$8,013,046	\$0	
2025	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	BROFF	\$4,715,955	\$4,715,955	\$0	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$4,715,955, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%
2025	610769	Central Mass	Sutton	SUTTON- SUPERSTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT, S-33-002, MANCHAUG ROAD OVER MUMFORD RIVER	3	BROFF	\$3,297,091	\$3,297,091	\$0	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$3,297,091, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%
Bridge Systematic Maintenance NB							\$1,354,850	\$1,083,880	\$270,970	
2024	612874	Central Mass	Multiple	SHREWSBURY- WORCESTER- BRIDGE MAINTENANCE, S-14-021=W-44-115 (1RA & 1RB), I-290 (EB AND WB) OVER COMBINATION OF LAKE QUINSIGMOND AND LAKE AVENUE NORTH	3	HIP-BR	\$1,354,850	\$1,083,880	\$270,970	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$1,302,740, Design Status = Approved
Section 2A / State Prioritized Reliability Projects							\$50,865,933	\$41,291,516	\$9,574,417	
Non-Interstate Pavement							\$8,050,057	\$6,440,046	\$1,610,011	
2025	608490	Central Mass	Upton	UPTON- RESURFACING AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 140 AND ROUNDABOUT CONSTRUCTION AT ROUTE 140, CHURCH STREET AND GROVE STREET	3	NHPP	\$8,050,057	\$6,440,046	\$1,610,011	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$8,050,057, Design Status = 25%, YOE = 4%
Bridge Off-system							\$22,073,201	\$17,658,561	\$4,414,640	
2025	608851	Central Mass	Multiple	HARDWICK- NEW BRAINTREE- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, H-08-003=N-07-002, CREAMERY ROAD OVER WARE RIVER	2	STBG-BR-Off	\$2,912,887	\$2,330,310	\$582,577	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$2,912,887, Design Status = 100%, YOE = 4%
2025	609185	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER- BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION OF W-44-083, HARRISON STREET OVER I-290 & W-44-093, LAUREL STREET OVER I-290	3	STBG-BR-Off	\$19,160,314	\$15,328,251	\$3,832,063	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$19,160,314, Design Status = 25%, YOE = 4%
Bridge On-system NHS							\$11,738,979	\$9,391,183	\$2,347,796	
2025	609186	Central Mass	Dudley	DUDLEY- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, D-12-026, STATE ROUTE 131 OVER THE QUINEBAUG RIVER	3	NHPP-PEN	\$11,738,979	\$9,391,183	\$2,347,796	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$11,738,979, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%
Safety Improvements							\$5,987,696	\$5,388,926	\$598,770	
2025	610717	Central Mass	Multiple	UXBRIDGE TO WORCESTER- GUIDE AND TRAFFIC SIGN REPLACEMENT ON A SECTION OF ROUTE 146	3	HSIP	\$5,987,696	\$5,388,926	\$598,770	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$5,987,696, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%

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Federal Fiscal Year 2025							\$154,238,985	\$89,453,013	\$64,785,972	
Resiliency Improvements							\$3,016,000	\$2,412,800	\$603,200	
2025	612608	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER - FLOOD RELIEF ON ROUTE 20, GRAFTON STREET (ROUTE 122) INTERCHANGE TO FLINT POND	3	PRCT	\$3,016,000	\$2,412,800	\$603,200	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$3,016,000, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%
Section 2B / State Prioritized Modernization Projects							\$25,726,097	\$20,580,878	\$5,145,219	
Roadway Reconstruction							\$25,726,097	\$20,580,878	\$5,145,219	
2025	608491	Central Mass	Mendon	MENDON- RESURFACING AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 16	3	NHPP	\$25,726,097	\$20,580,878	\$5,145,219	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$25,726,097, Design Status = 75%, YOE = 4%
Section 3B / Non-Federal Aid Funded							\$45,424,441	\$0	\$45,424,441	
Bridge On-system Non-NHS							\$4,156,615	\$0	\$4,156,615	
2025	612190	Central Mass	Holden	HOLDEN- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, H-18-004, SALISBURY STREET OVER PW RAILROAD	3	NGBP	\$4,156,615	\$0	\$4,156,615	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$4,156,615, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%
Bridge On-system NHS							\$41,267,826	\$0	\$41,267,826	
2025	612192	Central Mass	Auburn	AUBURN- BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, A-17-038, US 20 (WB) WASHINGTON STREET OVER I-395	3	NGBP	\$13,549,558	\$0	\$13,549,558	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$13,549,558, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%
2025	612195	Central Mass	Worcester	WORCESTER- SUPERSTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT, W-44-091, I-290 OVER EAST CENTRAL STREET	3	NGBP	\$27,718,268	\$0	\$27,718,268	Construction, Total Project Cost = \$27,718,268, Design Status = Approved, YOE = 4%

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Amendment #4 Proactive Public Outreach Summary

**Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization
Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #4 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 #4 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 #4 highway changes include moving Project 612874 Shrewsbury/Worcester Bridge Preservation from 2024 to 2025 and a cost increase for Project 606517 West Brookfield Route 9 Resurfacing & Related Work.

All interested parties are welcome to attend a public meeting to discuss Proposed Amendment #4 on **Tuesday, March 12, 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, March 13, 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 #4

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 #4 calls for changes to FFY 2024 of the highway project listing. These changes are:

Highway

- Move Project **612874 Shrewsbury-Worcester – Bridge Preservation, S-14-115 (1RA & 1RB), I-290 (EB and WB) Over Combination of Lake Quinsigamond and Lake Avenue North** from FFY 2024 to FFY 2025.
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 - Decrease STBG funding by \$638,190
 - Add TAP funding in the amount of \$648,738
 - Add Statewide TAP funding in the amount of \$1,574,365

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 #4 during the virtual ZOOM meeting listed below:

Tuesday, March 12, 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, March 13, 2024 at 4:30 PM will be fully considered.

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Virtual Public Meeting to Discuss the Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #4

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 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-4-virtual-public-meeting/>

AGENDA

1. Call to Order & Around the Room Introductions
2. Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #4
 - TIP Amendment #4 Overview
 - Acceptance of Public Comment & Input
3. Adjournment

Please Note: All comments on the Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #4 should be forwarded to Kevin Krasnecky at kkrasnecky@cmrpc.org prior to the CMMPO-established deadline of 4:30 PM on **Wednesday, March 13, 2024**.

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CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

The minutes of the 2024-2028 Proposed Amendment #4 virtual public meeting held Tuesday, March 12, 2024 through ZOOM.

- **Guests:**

1. Sarah Bradbury, MassDOT District #3
2. Peg Dean, Southbridge

- **CMRPC Staff Present:**

1. Kevin Krasnecky
2. Rich Rydant

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Call to Order & Around the Room Introductions

Kevin Krasnecky, CMRPC, called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM and introduced the attendees.

Proposed Amendment #4 to the 2024-2028 TIP Highway Project Listing

Kevin Krasnecky reviewed this agenda item with the attendees. Mr. Krasnecky said that Amendment #4 includes the following changes to the Highway Project listing:

The changes to the Highway List are:

- #612874 Shrewsbury-Worcester-Bridge Preservation, S-14-115 (1RA & 1RB), I-290 (EB & WB) Over Combination of Lake Quinsigamond and Lake Avenue North
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There were no questions or comments related to the Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #4.

Before Mr. Krasnecky closed the public meeting, he mentioned the deadline for public comments on the Proposed Amendment #4 is 4:30 PM on Wednesday, March 13th. With no additional comments or questions, the 2024-2028 Proposed Amendment #4 virtual public meeting closed at 5:10 PM.

CMMPO & CMMPO Advisory Committee Proceedings

- CMMPO February 21, 2024 – Initiate Amendment
- CMMPO March 20, 2024 – Endorse Amendment
- Advisory Committee February 28, 2024 – Recommend Approval of Amendment

CMMPO February 21, 2024 – Initiate Amendment



Meeting of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization

Date: Wednesday, **February 21**, 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/cmmmpo-committee/>

AGENDA

- Introductions
- Approval of January 17, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- Opportunity for Public Comment
- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 - **Potential Action:** Approval of Proposed Amendment #3 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway & Transit List
 - **Potential Action:** Release Proposed Amendment #4 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway List for 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period
 - FFY 2025 to FFY 2028 TIP Readiness Updates
 - FFY 2025 Worcester Micro-Project Summary
 - TIP Design Funding Discussion
- TIP/UPWP Guidance Summary
- CY 2024 Safety Performance Measures (PM1)
 - **Potential Action:** Adopt State Safety Targets
- Community Transportation Data/Project Services – Presentation
- Staff Updates
 - Safe Streets for All Grant
 - Other Federal Grants
- New Business
 - MassDOT Innovation Conference
- Next Meetings:
 - CMMPO Advisory Committee meeting (virtual) – February 28, 2024 at 3:00 PM
 - CMMPO meeting (In person/Hybrid) – March 20, 2024 at 4:00 PM
- Adjournment

CMMPO Zoom Webinar Meeting Details

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CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

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- **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. Jesse Limanek – Sutton, Southeast Subregion Representative
7. Rich Eichacker – Warren, West Subregion Representative

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

1. Chris Klem, MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning

- **Guests:**

1. Sarah Bradbury, MassDOT District #3
2. Peter Boria, Spencer
3. Ann Marie Foley, Grafton, Southeast Subregion Alternate
4. Amanda Bazinet, VHB
5. Derek Shooster, MassDOT OTP
6. Greg Russell, VHB
7. Keelan Boyle
8. Jared Grigg, Spencer, West Subregion Alternate
9. Isabel McCauley, MassDOT
10. Daryl Amaral, MassDOT District #2

- **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. Rob Raymond, Project Manager – Transportation
6. Adam Wriggins, Assistant Planner – Transportation
7. Nathan Lewis, Public Outreach Coordinator – Transportation
8. Eric Gemperline, Associate Planner – Transportation
9. Yahaira Graxirena, Project Manager – Transportation
10. Tyler Distefano, Assistant Planner – 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 January 17, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the January 17, 2024, meeting of the CMMPO were considered for approval. Ann Sullivan 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 one abstention.

Derek Krevat – Yes	Betsy Goodrich – Yes
Ann Sullivan – Yes	Jesse Limanek – Yes
Joshua Rickman – Yes	Rich Eichacker – Abstain
Bob Hassinger – Yes	

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 #3 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway and Transit List

Kevin Krasnecky presented this item. Proposed Amendment #3 includes two changes to FFY 2024 of the highway list. These changes are:

- Remove #610535 Worcester – Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements on Pleasant Street
- Decrease statewide funding for #602659 Charlton-Oxford – Reconstruction on Route 20, from Richardson’s Corner Easterly to Route 12, Includes Rehab of C-06-023 and Replacement of O-06-002.
 - Statewide CMAQ funding was reduced to \$123,655.
 - Statewide HSIP reduced to \$0.
 - Statewide NHPP funding reduced to \$7,956,218.
 - Statewide STBG funding reduced to \$0.

Proposed Amendment #3 also includes five additional projects to FFY 2024 of the transit list. These new projects are:

- WRTA011658 – Shrewsbury: Town of Shrewsbury – CTGP Shrewsbury Operating
 - Total project cost: \$25,000
- WRTA011661 – Holden: WRTA-Holden to Worcester Extended Service Hours
 - Total project cost: \$20,000
- WRTA011686 – Town of Rutland: Rutland Extended Transportation
 - Total project cost: \$75,477
- WRTA011687 – WRTA: SCM Elderbus – READYBUS Service

- Total project cost: \$70,000
- WRTA011688 – WRTA: SCM Elderbus Midday Shuttle
 - Total project cost: \$34,000

Mr. Krasnecky also noted that a public meeting was held for this Amendment #3 and there were no comments. Additionally, Amendment #3 was presented to the CMMPO Advisory Committee and CMRPC’s Transportation Committee and both recommended approval.

Chris Klem and Ann Sullivan both provided comments on the Worcester Bike/Pedestrian highway project. There were no other comments or questions.

Ann Sullivan made a motion and was seconded by Jesse Limanek to approve the proposed Amendment #3 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway and Transit List. All members voted unanimously to approve proposed Amendment #3.

Derek Krevat – Yes	Betsy Goodrich – Yes
Ann Sullivan – Yes	Jesse Limanek – Yes
Joshua Rickman – Yes	Rich Eichacker – Yes
Bob Hassinger – Yes	

- **Potential Action:** Release Proposed Amendment #4 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway List for 21-Day Public Review and Comment Period

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

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There were no comments or questions.

Bob Hassinger made a motion and was seconded by Jesse Limanek. All members voted unanimously to approve the release of the proposed Amendment #4 to the FFY 2024 to FFY 2028 TIP Highway List for 21-day Public Review and Comment Period.

Derek Krevat – Yes	Jesse Limanek – Yes
Ann Sullivan – Yes	Rich Eichacker – Yes
Joshua Rickman – Yes	Bob Hassinger – Yes
Betsy Goodrich – Yes	

- FFY 2025 to FFY 2028 TIP Readiness Update

Kevin Krasnecky provided updates from TIP Readiness Day on February 6, 2024. Mr. Krasnecky discussed the status of numerous projects and their recommended programming year. The following updates were provided:

- **Uxbridge #608174 – Reconstruction of Route 122 (South Main St):** Still on track for 2024.
- **Shrewsbury/Worcester #612874 – Bridge Maintenance, I-290 over Lake Quinsigamond & Lake Ave North:** Recommended pushing back to 2025 because of scope change.
- **Worcester #608961 – Intersection Improvements on Chandler St & May St:** MassDOT waiting on WSU to review design. Recommended pushing back to 2026/2027. Staff looking to keep project in 2025 and will schedule meeting with the City of Worcester.
- **Southbridge #608862 – Bridge Replacement, Mill St over McKinstry Brook and Quinebaug River:** Design has been delayed and was recommended to push back to 2026.
- **Upton #608490 – Route 140 Resurfacing & Roundabout Construction:** Many Right of Way and utility concerns. Recommended pushing back to 2026.
- **Dudley #609186 – Bridge Replacement, Route 131 over Quinebaug River:** Need design and Right of Way submission. Recommended pushing back to 2026.
- **Worcester #612608 – Flood Relief on Route 20:** Could potentially move up to 2024, depending on design and Right of Way submissions.
- **Auburn #612192 – Bridge Replacement, US 20 WB over I-395:** Still need design and Right of Way submissions. Might need to push back to 2026.
- **Worcester #608990 & 612011 – Chandler St Improvements Phase I & II:** Large project and a lot of Right of Way. Phase I recommended pushing back to 2027. Phase II could potentially move back to 2028.
- **Northbridge #609441 – Intersection Improvements at Route 122 & School St:** Municipal Right of Way concerns need to be resolved. Recommended pushing back to 2027. Staff would like to keep in 2026 and will schedule a meeting with the town.
- **Charlton #612181 – Bridge Replacement, US 20 over Cady Brook:** 25% design due 3/9/24 and needs hydraulic study. Recommended pushing back to 2027.
- **Shrewsbury #607764 – Intersection Improvements at US 20 & Grafton St:** MassDOT to meet on this project to find best path forward. Need to be consistent with Route 20 Corridor Plan. Recommended pushing back to 2027.
- **Auburn #612191 – Bridge Replacement, Oxford St over Kettle Brook:** Need design and Right of Way submissions. Recommended pushing back to 2027.
- **Grafton #612510 – Bridge Replacement, Route 140 over Railroad:** 25% design due on 5/5/24. Potentially push back to 2027.
- **East Brookfield #612629 – Route 9 Resurfacing:** Project is being deactivated and this section of Route 9 will be resurfaced under Districtwide resurfacing contract.

- **Charlton/Sturbridge #611967 – Route 49 Intersection Improvements:** 25% design expected to be completed soon. Recommended to stay in 2027 but could potentially move up to 2026.
- **West Brookfield #613143 – Bridge Replacement, Long Hill Rd over Quaboag River:** Could potentially advance as soon as 2027.

There were no comments or questions.

- FFY 2025 Worcester Micro-Project Summary

Yahaira Graxirena presented a summary on the FFY 2025 Worcester Micro-Project. The project is to install multiple bicycle racks/bicycle parking locations throughout the city. The city is requesting \$35,000 for the project. This will help fund 10 four-hoop racks on rails and delineators; 42 new post and hitch racks; and 30 post and hitch meter retrofit racks. The goals of the project are to build on the Worcester’s Complete Streets Policy, Green Worcester Plan, and Mobility Action Plan (MAP) Goals; encourage mode shift; support everyday trips for work, education, commercial, and recreational purposes; provide safe and secure places for people to park their bicycles; support Safe Routes to School and Safe Routes to Parks programs; and support business and economic development.

Derek Krevat asked if the city would be providing match funds. Ms. Graxirena answered yes. There were no other comments or questions.

- TIP Design Funding Discussion

Sujatha Krishnan presented TIP funding for design and engineering.

Some communities struggle to come up with design and engineering funds for projects due to lack of Chapter 90 funds. Therefore, MPOs have worked with MassDOT to create a process to make federal funding available for design and engineering usages for communities. Only new projects are available for this funding assistance and FHWA and MassDOT have provided guidance. The community would need to do a reimbursable contract with MassDOT and the local match (20%) would be the responsibility of the community. The construction project should be programmed on the TIP/STIP, there should be coordination with utility providers and rail operators, and there should be hiring of MassDOT prequalified A&E firms.

The project would need to be approved by MassDOT’s Project Review Committee (PRC). This will begin in FFY 2025 if there are available funds and will have a max total design funding cap of \$1 million per year. The project will go through the same scoring criteria as any TIP construction project.

Next steps include setting aside design funding at the March TIP workshop, finalizing CMMPO Guidance in Summer 2024, and including that guidance in the application form in FFY 2026 TIP “call for projects” packet.

Ann Sullivan asked if the \$1 million design funding is set aside for each project or is the total funding amount per year. Sujatha answered that it would be a total of \$1 million of funding for that year, and funding could be increased depending on needs. Amanda Bazinet asked if design funds would be phased/available to communities for multiple years since design can typically take more than one year for some projects. Sujatha answered that this detail is still being worked on. Derek Krevat added that the

funding could be available for the programmed year, and after that it would be put into a contract where the funds could be spent however the terms of the contract are laid out.

Agenda Item #5 – TIP/UPWP Guidance Summary

Sujatha Krishnan presented this agenda item on TIP and UPWP guidance from MassDOT/FHWA.

As part of this guidance, the CMRPC have kept up with all federal certification review findings; public participation continues to be a primary focus of our work; staff are currently working on updating the Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan; staff are working on ways to spend de-obligated Metropolitan Planning (PL) funds; staff are continuing to account for all earmarks or non-FHWA/discretionary grants; and staff are planning to set our own regional greenhouse gas emission reduction targets or adopt the state targets.

There are several new focus areas, including housing coordination; TIP design funding; updating pedestrian and bicycle plan; CMMPO certification; and a possible update to the CMMPO Public Participation Plan.

There were no questions or comments.

Agenda Item #6 – CY 2024 Safety Performance Measures (PM1)

- **Potential Action:** Adopt State Safety Targets

Eric Gemperline presented this item. Mr. Gemperline summarized the safety targets for CY 2024 Safety Performance Measures (PM1) that was presented at last month's meeting, and this month staff are asking the CMMPO members to vote on whether they would adopt the State safety targets or to set their own regional targets. Mr. Gemperline noted that the CMMPO Advisory Committee and CMMPO Transportation Committee both voted in favor of adopting the State's safety targets.

Bob Hassinger made a motion and was seconded by Joshua Rickman to adopt the State's safety targets for CY 2024. All members voted unanimously to adopt the State's safety targets for CY 2024.

- Derek Krevat – Yes
- Ann Sullivan – Yes
- Joshua Rickman – Yes
- Betsy Goodrich – Yes
- Jesse Limanek – Yes
- Rich Eichacker – Yes
- Bob Hassinger – Yes

Agenda Item #7 – Community Transportation Data/Project Services Presentation

Rob Raymond presented on recent efforts CMRPC transportation have completed with data and project services. This included many types of data to help support MassDOT and MPO planning efforts, which include traffic counting, pavement management, pedestrian asset inventories (sidewalks, curb ramps, crosswalks, obstructions), and bike rack inventories.

Mr. Raymond summarized numerous maps about where traffic counts are completed, where pedestrian assets have been assessed, and where bike racks have been inventoried in the region. Next, Eric Gemperline discussed the drone services the transportation staff offers and the work that has been completed with the drone.

Lastly, Mr. Raymond continued the discussion by focusing on specific projects the transportation staff have worked on. These have included the Auburn Local Sidewalk Prioritization Plan, Leicester Town Safety Concerns, Central Turnpike and Sutton Ave Corridor Profile, and others.

There were no comments or questions.

Agenda Item #8 – Staff Updates

- Safe Streets for All Grant

Sujatha Krishnan announced that staff were awarded the Safe Streets for All Grant and are currently working on completing the agreement.

- Other Federal Grants

Sujatha Krishnan announced that staff are still waiting to hear about the Thriving Communities Grant and Reconnecting Communities Program Grant. Staff have also assisted Southbridge and Worcester with the RAISE Grant.

Agenda Item #9– New Business

- MassDOT Innovation Conference

Sujatha Krishnan announced the MassDOT Innovation Conference is occurring on April 30 – May 1, 2024.

Agenda Item #10 – Next Meetings

- CMMPO Advisory Committee meeting (virtual) – February 28, 2024, at 3:00PM
- CMMPO meeting (virtual/in-person) – March 20, 2024, at 4:00PM

Agenda Item #10 – Adjournment

Bob Hassinger made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Jesse Limanek. The meeting concluded at 5:00 PM.

Meeting Minutes prepared by: Zachary Blais, Transportation Associate Planner

CMMPPO March 20, 2024 – Endorse 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/>

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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, 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)
 - 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).

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

**Advisory Committee February 28, 2024 – Recommend
Approval of Amendment**



Meeting of the Central Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Committee

Date: Wednesday, **February 28**, 2024

Time: **3:00 PM**

Place: Zoom Webinar Virtual Meeting

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AGENDA

- Around the Room Introductions
- Approval of **January 24, 2024** Meeting Minutes
- 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 - **ACTION ITEM:** Seeking recommendation concerning CMMPO endorsement of the Proposed Amendment #4 to the 2024-2028 TIP Highway Project Listing
- 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 - 2025-2029 TIP Readiness Day Updates
 - FFY 2029 TIP Potential Candidate Project – Performance Management Scoring Review
 - **ACTION ITEM:** Seeking recommendation concerning the ranking of FFY 2029 projects
 - TIP Design Funding Update
 - TIP/UPWP Guidance Summary
- Community Transportation Data / Project Services
 - Presentation
- Staff Updates
 - Safe Streets 4 All Grant Updates
 - Other Federal & State Grants Updates
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CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The minutes of the CMMPO Advisory Committee held **February, 28, 2023**. 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
- Matt Benoit – Town of Douglas
- Connor McCormack – Town of Millbury
- Sandy Amoakohene – Worcester Division of Public Health
- Karin Valentine-Goins – WalkBike Massachusetts
- Claudia Pavia – WSU Binienda Center for Public Engagement
- Caleigh McLaren – Blackstone Watershed Collaborative
- Sarah Bradbury – MassDOT District 3
- Daryl Amaral – MassDOT District 2
- Joann Clarke – AARP
- Ben Breger – MassDOT District 2 (Alt)
- 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

Guests:

- Betsy Goodrich – City of Worcester
- Jim Daley

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Agenda Item #1 – Around the Room Introductions

Vice Chairperson Chris Payant 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 January 24, 2023, meeting minutes

Minutes for January 24, 2024, CMMPO Advisory meeting were considered for approval. Mr. Menard entertains a motion to approve the January 24, 2024, meeting minutes. Mr. Payant makes a motion to approve. The motion is seconded by Ms. Bradbury. The vote was unanimous in favor of approval.

Agenda Item #3 – 2024 – 2028 Transportation Improvement Program

- **Action Item:** Amendment #4 to the 2024-2028 TIP Highway Project Listing 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

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

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Mr. Payant has a question for Mr. Krasnecky based on the change process. Mr. Krasnecky responds that the changes come from MassDOT. Mr. Klem adds that the planning division at MassDOT works closely with the highway division on these changes and that the project changes are reasonable. There are no further questions. Mr. Menard asks for a motion, Mr. Payant makes the motion. Ms. Amoakohene seconds the motion. The motion passes.

Agenda Item #4 – 2025 – 2029 Transportation Improvement Program

- **FFY 2025 to FFY 2029 TIP Readiness Update**

Kevin Krasnecky provided updates from TIP Readiness Day on February 6, 2024. Mr. Krasnecky discussed the status of numerous projects and their recommended programming year. The following updates were provided:

- **Uxbridge #608174 – Reconstruction of Route 122 (South Main St):** Still on track for 2024.

- **Shrewsbury/Worcester #612874 – Bridge Maintenance, I-290 over Lake Quinsigamond & Lake Ave North:** Recommended pushing back to 2025 because of scope change.
- **Worcester #608961 – Intersection Improvements on Chandler St & May St:** MassDOT waiting on WSU to review design. Recommended pushing back to 2026/2027. Staff looking to keep project in 2025 and will schedule meeting with the City of Worcester.
- **Southbridge #608862 – Bridge Replacement, Mill St over McKinstry Brook and Quinebaug River:** Design has been delayed and was recommended to push back to 2026.
- **Upton #608490 – Route 140 Resurfacing & Roundabout Construction:** Many right of way and utility concerns. Recommended pushing back to 2026.
- **Dudley #609186 – Bridge Replacement, Route 131 over Quinebaug River:** Need design and right of way submission. Recommended pushing back to 2026.
- **Worcester #612608 – Flood Relief on Route 20:** Could potentially move up to 2024, depending on design and right of way submissions.
- **Auburn #612192 – Bridge Replacement, US 20 WB over I-395:** Still need design and right of way submissions. Might need to push back to 2026.
- **Worcester #608990 & 612011 – Chandler St Improvements Phase I & II:** Large project and a lot of right of way. Phase I recommended pushing back to 2027. Phase II could potentially move back to 2028.
- **Northbridge #609441 – Intersection Improvements at Route 122 & School St:** Municipal right of way concerns need to be resolved. Recommended pushing back to 2027. Staff would like to keep in 2026 and will schedule a meeting with the town.
- **Charlton #612181 – Bridge Replacement, US 20 over Cady Brook:** 25% design due 3/9/24 and needs hydraulic study. Recommended pushing back to 2027.
- **Shrewsbury #607764 – Intersection Improvements at US 20 & Grafton St:** MassDOT to meet on this project to find best path forward. Need to be consistent with Route 20 Corridor Plan. Recommended pushing back to 2027.
- **Auburn #612191 – Bridge Replacement, Oxford St over Kettle Brook:** Need design and right of way submissions. Recommended pushing back to 2027.
- **Grafton #612510 – Bridge Replacement, Route 140 over Railroad:** 25% design due on 5/5/24. Potentially push back to 2027.
- **East Brookfield #612629 – Route 9 Resurfacing:** Project is being deactivated and this section of Route 9 will be resurfaced under districtwide resurfacing contract.
- **Charlton/Sturbridge #611967 – Route 49 Intersection Improvements:** 25% design expected to be completed soon. Recommended to stay in 2027 but could potentially move up to 2026.
- **West Brookfield #613143 – Bridge Replacement, Long Hill Rd over Quaboag River:** Could potentially advance as soon as 2027.

- **ACTION ITEM: FFY 2029 TIP Potential Candidate Project – Performance Management Scoring -**
Seeking recommendation concerning the ranking of FFY 2029 Projects

Kevin Krasnecky presented this item. The projects were scored based on 11 objectives with a total of 15 targets. Topics of objectives ranged from Safety (PM1), State of Good Repair (PM2), and Congestion (PM3) as primary objectives with Security, Multimodality, Sustainability, Equity, Economic, Stormwater Management, and Travel and Tourism making up secondary objectives. Each project could score up to two points per objective.

- Rutland #613655 – Intersection Improvements at Route 122 and Pleasantdale Road: Scored 8 points.
- West Brookfield #612779 – Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 9 (Phase 3): Scored 15 points.
- Westborough #613242 – Roadway Improvements on Route 30 (East Main Street): Scored 15 points.
- Worcester #613648 – Intersection Improvements at Lake Avenue and Bigelow Davis Parkway: Scored 15 points.

Mr. Krasnecky is asking for a ranking of these projects from this committee to help staff determine with of these projects will be programmed. Mr. Menard asks if there are any questions. Ms. Amoakohene asks about the recommendation process and if there is a certain number of projects that must be funded. Mr. Krasnecky responds that they will all try to be funded in 2029, though a prioritization recommendation listing would be beneficial in funding decisions. Ms. Valentine-Goins asks about the scoring and how three projects scored 15 points and a further breakdown of the categories would be helpful in determining ranking. Mr. Menard states that in the past the high scoring projects have been recommended as primary projects and lower scoring have been recommended as secondary projects. Ms. Goodrich asks if Rutland is being considered for target funding. Mr. Krasnecky responds in the affirmative. Ms. Goodrich asks about evaluation criteria and if they are listed in the current TIP. Mr. Krasnecky responds in the affirmative.

Mr. Barber asks if there are regional or state prioritized projects for target funding. Mr. Krasnecky responds that this is for regional target funding. Mr. Barber follows up asking if the Rutland project was initiated by the State, in which Mr. Krasnecky responds in the affirmative.

Mr. Payant asks how equal scoring projects are ranked. If there are criteria such as money that the committee should be taking into consideration when recommending a project. Mr. Krasnecky responds finances play a part, but so does the recency of the community's last TIP project and the input provide by the advisory committee and transportation committee. Ms. Krishnan adds geographic equity and recency as well as the initiator of the project. Ms. Amoakohene recommends that the three equal scoring projects move forward as primary with the Rutland project becoming a secondary project. Mr. Menard agrees with Ms. Amoakohene's assessment. Ms. Valentine-Goins echoes Ms. Amoakohene's recommendation and further adds that next year it would be beneficial to have an easier way to determine the ranking of projects.

Mr. Menard asks for a motion to go with Ms. Amoakohene’s recommendation of West Brookfield, Westborough, and Worcester to be Tier 1 and Rutland to be Tier 2. Mr. Payant makes the motion and it is seconded by Ms. Valentine-Goins. The motion passes unanimously.

- **TIP Design Funding Update**

Sujatha Krishnan presented TIP funding for design and engineering.

Some communities struggle to come up with design and engineering funds for projects due to lack of Chapter 90 funds. Therefore, MPOs have worked with MassDOT to create a process to make federal funding available for design and engineering usages for communities. Only new projects are available for this funding assistance and FHWA and MassDOT have provided guidance. The community would need to do a reimbursable contract with MassDOT and the local match (20%) would be the responsibility of the community. The construction project should be programmed on the TIP/STIP, there should be coordination with utility providers and rail operators, and there should be hiring of MassDOT prequalified A&E firms.

The project would need to be approved by MassDOT’s Project Review Committee (PRC). This will begin in FFY 2025 if there are available funds and will have a max total design funding cap of \$1 million per year. The project will go through the same scoring criteria as any TIP construction project.

Next steps include setting aside design funding at the March TIP workshop, finalizing CMMPO Guidance in Summer 2024, and including that guidance in the application form in FFY 2026 TIP “call for projects” packet.

Agenda Item #5 – TIP/UPWP Guidance Summary

Sujatha Krishnan presented this agenda item on TIP and UPWP guidance from MassDOT/FHWA.

As part of this guidance, the CMRPC have kept up with all federal certification review findings; public participation continues to be a primary focus of our work; staff are currently working on updating the Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan; staff are working on ways to spend de-obligated Metropolitan Planning (PL) funds; staff are continuing to account for all earmarks or non-FHWA/discretionary grants; and staff are planning to set our own regional greenhouse gas emission reduction targets or adopt the state targets.

There are several new focus areas, including housing coordination; TIP design funding; updating pedestrian and bicycle plan; CMMPO certification; and an update to the CMMPO Public Participation Plan.

There were no questions or comments.

Agenda Item #6 – Community Transportation Data/Project Services Presentation

Rob Raymond presented on recent efforts CMRPC transportation have completed with data and project services. This included many types of data to help support MassDOT and MPO planning efforts, which

include traffic counting, pavement management, pedestrian asset inventories (sidewalks, curb ramps, crosswalks, obstructions), and bike rack inventories.

Mr. Raymond summarized numerous maps about where traffic counts are completed, where pedestrian assets have been assessed, and where bike racks have been inventoried in the region. Next, Eric Gemperline discussed the drone services the transportation staff offers and the work that has been completed with the drone.

Lastly, Mr. Raymond continued the discussion by focusing on specific projects the transportation staff have worked on. These have included the Auburn Local Sidewalk Prioritization Plan, Leicester Town Safety Concerns, Central Turnpike and Sutton Ave Corridor Profile, and others.

There were no comments or questions.

Agenda Item #7 – Staff Updates

- Safe Streets for All Grant

Mr. Gemperline announced that staff were awarded the Safe Streets for All Grant and are currently working on completing the agreement.

- Other Federal Grants

Ms. Graxirena announced that there will be a second year of funding for the E-Bike program and the program has been expanded to more communities in the CMRPC region.

Agenda Item #8 – New Business

There is no new business.

Agenda Item #9 – Next Meeting

March 27, 2024, at 3:00 PM

Agenda Item #10 – Adjournment

At 4:18 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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