

December 10, 2025
6:30 PM Regular Meeting
Remote SRPEDD Commission Meeting

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order, Introductions, and Welcome
- Page 2 2. Approval of Minutes – October 22, 2025* (*Vote requested*)
3. Swearing in of New Commissioners/Officers who have not yet had opportunity to be sworn in
4. Reports
 - a. Chair
 - b. Executive Director
5. Consent Agenda
 - Page 7 a. Contracts *(*Vote to receive report and place on file*)
6. Committee Reports
 - Page 8 a. Finance Committee *(*Vote to receive report and place on file*)
 - Page 9 b. Joint Transportation Planning Group/MPO *(*Vote to receive and place on file*)
 - Page 21 c. Environmental Subcommittee (inclusive of MEPA report) *(*Vote to receive*)
7. Programs and Project Updates:
 - a. [Route 103 Swansea Corridor Study](#)
 - b. [Age-Friendly Mobility- SE Mass Plan](#)
8. Old Business
 - Page 26 a. [Technical Assistance](#) * (*Vote to receive and place on file*)
9. New Business
10. Roundtable: Opportunity for Commissioners to provide updates on local topics, projects or matters of regional interest
11. Adjourn

Per MGL c. 30A § 18-25, all meetings posted at: <https://srpedd.org/about-srpedd/meetings/>

FUTURE MEETINGS: Jan. 28, 2026; Feb. 25, 2026; Mar. 25, 2026;
Apr. 22, 2026; May 27, 2025; June 24, 2026

NOTE: An Exec. Cmte Meeting will be convened in the absence of a Commission quorum.

*Attached

AGENDA ITEM: Minutes, # 2

SRPEDD Commission Meeting – Draft Minutes
Oct. 22, 2025
Remote Meeting via Zoom

Present:**Commissioners:**

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| S. Leary, Berkley | T. Bott, Carver | J. Carvalho, Dighton | A. Romano, Fairhaven |
| J. Fidalgo, Fairhaven | D. Aguiar, Fall River | L. Carboni, Lakeville | B. Roche, Mansfield |
| L. Bradley, Middleboro | N. Hills, Marion | J. Robbins, Mattap. | M. Borg, No. Attleboro |
| M. Clarner, No. Attleb. | D. Luciano, Norton | S. Warchal, Norton | T. Torres, Plainville |
| C. Sullivan, Raynham | P. Menconi, Raynham | L. Ferreira, Rehoboth | S. Cadime, Seekonk |
| S. Smith, Seekonk | R. Peirce, Somerset | J. Pateakos, Taunton | J. Whitin, Westport |
| C. McDermott, Attl. A/L | A. Slavin, N.B. A/L | | |

Guests/Staff:

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| D. Belknap, SRPEDD | A. Horowitz, SRPEDD | J. Gray, SRPEDD | G. King, SRPEDD |
| L. Estrela-Pedro, SRPEDD | K. Porter, SRPEDD | S. Royer, SRPEDD | N. Soutier, SRPEDD |
| J. Walker, SRPEDD | | | |

Absent:

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| D. Wojnar, Acushnet | V. Alfaro, Acushnet | G. Ayrassian, Attleboro | S. Elliott, Attleboro |
| R. Cote, Berkley | K. Robinson, Carver | C. Vitale, Dartmouth | K. Estes, Dartmouth |
| D. Pettey, Freetown | N. Durfee, Freetown | D. Lodge, Lakeville | R. Burke, Marion |
| W. Pike, Middleboro | J. Ponte, New Bedford | C. Desprez, Plainv. | M. Shoemaker, Roch. |
| W. Raposa, Somerset | C. Parayno, Swansea | J. Hansen, Swansea | B. Fitzgerald, Taunton |
| J. Moran, Wareham | M. Soares, Westport | G. Saddler, F.R A/L | A. Eaton, N.B. A/L |
| T. Lobo, Taunton A/L | | | |

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:31 P.M by Chairwoman Clarner.
2. **Approval of Minutes – July 23, 2025:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the July 23, 2025 minutes. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY
3. **Reports:**
 - a. **Chair:** Ms. Clarner reported that it was great to see everyone at the SRPEDD Annual meeting last month. She mentioned it was nice to hear from the President of Bridgewater University, and she hoped everybody enjoyed themselves.
 - b. **Executive Director:** Mr. Walker mentioned that it was a great annual meeting and wonderful to see everyone in attendance. He mentioned if Members have not been sworn it yet, it can be done at the next meeting. Mr. Walker reported on the annual MARPA-DLS meeting at Holy Cross. He stated that he had opportunity to connect with the LG and a number of Secretaries, with the subject of housing front and center on the administration's agenda. Also that there were likely to be a number of promising provisions of interest to member localities in the state's upcoming push on behalf of the Municipal Empowerment Act. On a related note, he mentioned that SRPEDD has heard from

representatives from the Federal Funds Information Office (FFIO) which will shortly be making \$2 million available statewide through the RPAs, for continued technical assistance to member communities for help with projects otherwise at risk due to loss of federal funding.

Ms. Bradley inquired about the new clean energy siting and permitting regulations expected to be published in March 2026. Mr. Walker mentioned that Ms. Belknap and her team have closely been following the regulations' development together with members of the Environmental Committee and able to provide further information. Ms. Belknap provided an update on the new regulations, including the timeline and the need for towns to update their bylaws. Ms. Belknap mentioned if any Members had any question regarding the regulation to please reach out.

4. Consent Agenda:

- a. **Contracts:** Chairwoman Clarner referred Commissioners to the contracts listed in the packet and read each contract for approval.

Be it resolved that the SRPEDD Commission authorizes the Chairman, Treasurer, Officers, and Executive Director, as appropriate, to negotiate and execute the following contracts:

1. With the Greater New Bedford Regional Refuse Management District to create a *Land Alternatives and Reuse Study* for an amount not to exceed \$43,100 (supplemented by a DLTA award).
2. With the South Coast Community Foundation on behalf of AHA! New Bedford to guide community engagement efforts associated with AHA! New Bedford's Downtown Management Services award from the New Bedford Economic Development Council (NBEDC) for an amount not to exceed \$11,309 (supplemented by a DLTA award).
3. With the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources to provide clean energy planning and program management assistance to participating Green Communities, for an amount no to exceed \$106,500.
4. With the University of Southern Maine to amend our contract to provide an additional year of technical assistance as a SNEP Network provider for an amount not to exceed \$61,734.86.
5. With The Nature Conservancy to provide permitting and design services for a pilot permeable reactive barrier installation along the Long Pond shoreline in Clark Shores, Lakeville, MA, for an amount not to exceed \$28,000.
6. With the Town of Swansea to provide MVP 2.0 planning assistance for an amount not to exceed \$20,000.
7. With the Town of Wrentham to provide MVP 2.0 Program Community Engagement and Facilitation Services for an amount not to exceed \$45,250.
8. With the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to conduct Buzzards Bay Regional Watershed Planning for Nitrogen Impacted Areas for an amount not to exceed \$160,865.00.

9. With the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to implement the Buzzards Bay Regional NPS Coordinator Program for an amount not to exceed \$100,000.
10. With Biodiversity Ecological Consulting to conduct a freshwater mussel habitat survey on behalf of SRPEDD to support Upper Nemasket River Restoration permitting needs for amount not to exceed \$9,000.
11. With the Town of Mansfield to provide Green Communities competitive grant management and technical assistance for an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the contracts listed above and as read. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Committee Reports:

- a. **Finance Committee:** Mr. Hills reported the Finance Committee met on August 20, 2025, at SRPEDD's office (88 Broadway, Taunton) and via Zoom. The July 16, 2025, Finance Committee meeting minutes were approved; the Treasurer's Report for July 2025 was received and accepted; and the warrant for expenses in the amount of \$169,758.27 was approved. In addition, the Finance Committee received and accepted the July 2025 month-end general journal entries and FY25 year-end journal entries. Finally, the Finance Committee reviewed the OPEB trust account statement from Charles Schwab for July 1-July 31, 2025.

Mr. Hills mentioned the also met on Finance Committee met on September 17, 2025, at SRPEDD's office (88 Broadway, Taunton) and via Zoom. The August 20, 2025, Finance Committee meeting minutes were approved; the Treasurer's Report for August 2025 was received and accepted; and the warrant for expenses in the amount of \$142,974.03 was approved.

In addition, the Finance Committee received and accepted the August 2025 month-end general journal entries. Finally, the Finance Committee reviewed the OPEB trust account statement from Charles Schwab for August 1-August 31, 2025.

Mr. Hills also mentioned the committee approved the use of electronic funds transfer for recurring payments to 18 organizations.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Finance Committee report. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY.

- **FY'26 Q1 Budget Update:** Mr. Hills referred the Members to FY'26 Q1 Budget Update. He entertained questions from the Commissioners.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the FY'26 Q1 Budget Update as presented. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY.

- b. **Joint Transportation Planning Group:** Ms. Estrela-Pedro reported that the JTPG met on September 10, 2025 and the SMMPO met on September 16, 2025. She mentioned that the meeting minutes for both the meetings could be found on page 10 of the packet. She highlighted topics, and presentations on various projects that were discussed at both meetings. She mentioned the Evacuation Route Study was released to public comment and endorsed by the SMMPO. Ms. Estrela-

Pedro entertained questions from the Members.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Transportation report. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. Programs and Project Updates:

- a. **Food Access and Security in Transportation Plan (Phase 1):** Mr. Soutier presented on the Food Access and Security in Transportation Plan (Phase 1). He mentioned the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) seeks to better understand the current regional landscape regarding barriers, facilitators, and other factors influencing food access across the 27 municipalities. Mr. Soutier explained the creation of a plan centered on this information can help to provide a long-term source of funding and technical assistance towards advancing a transportation network that meaningfully advances healthy food access across the region. Through strong public engagement efforts, core public health principles, examination of existing GIS data, and regional coalition involvement, the SRPEDD Food Access and Security in Transportation (FAST) Plan will provide a better understanding of the current circumstances and will provide suggestions for bolstering regional food resilience and equitable healthy food access through integrated transportation investments and practices. Mr. Soutier entertained questions from the Members and he also mentioned if anyone had any questions, they could email him at nsoutier@srpedd.org.
- b. **Regional Parking Utilization Assessment (Phase 1):** Mr. Gray referred Commissioners to the recently released [SRPEDD Regional Parking Utilization Assessment StoryMap](#), which provides an overview of data collected on parking supply and parking lot utilization in several regional cities. Mr. Gray indicated that although the Transportation Department typically focuses their data collection efforts on the street network, parking facilities are an important component of the transportation network that have an outsized influence on community character, with often excessive parking availability having negative impacts on pedestrian walkability, housing affordability, and downtown and village vitality.

Through vehicle counts in Spring 2025, SRPEDD staff were able to quantify the lot utilization rates for 25 public and private parking lots across Downtown Attleboro, Downtown Taunton, and the Port of New Bedford. The data showed low lot utilization overall, typically well below 75%. In addition, previously completed parking utilization studies in New Bedford, Attleboro, Fall River, as well as in the Metro Boston region have highlighted similar low parking utilization rates. Mr. Gray also noted that the Governor-appointed Unlocking Housing Production Commission (UHPC) recently released a report in February, "Building for Tomorrow," which formally recommended both the elimination of parking minimums statewide for any residential use, as well as requirements for municipalities to establish Transportation Demand Management (TDM) requirements for certain sized developments.

SRPEDD's Phase 1 regional parking assessment also emphasized the growing importance of Transportation Demand Management (TDM) strategies to reduce unnecessary parking demand such as shared parking lot agreements, commuter carpooling incentives, transit, bike, and pedestrian network improvements, and improved parking pricing strategies. Looking ahead to Phase 2 in FFY26, SRPEDD will focus on helping communities implement parking and TDM recommendations from local plans, continue periodic utilization monitoring where requested, and work collaboratively with municipal and regional partners to strengthen policies that improve mobility, support economic development, and build more walkable downtowns and village centers.

- c. **Environmental Subcommittee Report:** Ms. Belknap referred the Members to page 35 and explained the MEPA Environmental monitor table. She also mentioned that the meeting minutes from the August 6th Environmental Subcommittee were on page 36 for approval. Ms. Belknap provided updates on the renewable energy siting regulations, including the division of projects into small and large scale as she discussed above. The new regulations require approval within one year, with automatic approval if not met. She entertained questions from the Members.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Environmental Subcommittee report and last meetings minutes. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Old Business:

- a. **Technical Assistance:** Mr. King referred Commissioners to the monthly update on projects contained in the packet on page 43. Mr. King mentioned that he and fellow staff are available to discuss projects as needed by email or calling the office.

A motioned was made and seconded to approve the Technical Assistance report. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. **New Business:** Mr. Walker entertained the idea of the next Commission meeting on December 10th be in person. He mentioned that Ms. Royer would send a survey to Members in November to vote for an in-person meeting at SRPEDD or Zoom meeting.

Ms. Bradley shared that the town of Middleborough is now MBTA complaint. The Member congratulated her and their achievement.

9. **Roundtable: Opportunity for Commissioners to provide updates on local topics, projects or matters of regional interest:**

10. **Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM. The next Commission meeting will be held on December 10, 2025 at 6:30 PM on Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Saddler, Secretary

Date: 12/10/2025

AGENDA ITEM: Contract Approvals, # 5.a.

Be it resolved that the SRPEDD Commission authorizes the Chairman, Treasurer, Officers, and Executive Director, as appropriate, to negotiate and execute the following contracts:

1. With the Massachusetts Broadband Initiative to complete regional Municipal Digital Equity Planning in partnership with the Towns of Berkley, Dighton, and Rehoboth in Bristol County and the Towns of Carver, Lakeville, and Middleborough in Plymouth County for an amount not to exceed \$128,500.
2. With MassDOT to carry out work detailed within the regional FFY2026 Unified Planning Work Program, for an amount not to exceed \$1,932,765.90.
3. With LEC Environmental Consultants, Inc. to conduct a rare species habitat assessment on behalf of SRPEDD to support Upper Nemasket River Restoration permitting needs for amount not to exceed \$9,600.
4. With Mass Audubon to perform water quality assessment and watershed planning consulting services in support of SRPEDD's MassDEP Buzzards Bay Regional NPS Coordinator and Regional Watershed Planning for Nitrogen Impacted Areas Programs, for an amount not to exceed \$51,985.70.
5. With the Town of Swansea to amend the MVP 2.0 planning assistance contract to provide additional services for a new total amount not to exceed \$40,000.

AGENDA ITEM: Finance Committee Report # 6.a.

The Finance Committee met on October 22, 2025, at SRPEDD’s office (88 Broadway, Taunton) and via Zoom. The September 17, 2025, Finance Committee meeting minutes were approved; the Treasurer’s Report for September 2025 was received and accepted; and the warrant for expenses in the amount of \$178,037.53 was approved.

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| Cash & Funds: Sept. 1, 2025 | 1,411,131.46 |
| Cash Receipts: Sept. 1-30, 2025 | <u>217,823.56</u> |
| Total Cash Accounted for: | <u>\$ 1,628,955.02</u> |

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| Disbursements: Sept. 1-30, 2025 | 348,086.94 |
| Cash & Funds: Sept. 30, 2025 | <u>1,280,868.08</u> |
| Total Cash Accounted for: | <u>\$ 1,628,955.02</u> |

In addition, the Finance Committee received and accepted the September 2025 month-end general journal entries and reviewed the OPEB trust account statement from Charles Schwab for September 1-September 30, 2025.

The Finance Committee adopted an agency budget for FY26, with total revenues of \$4,995,088 and total expenditures of \$5,018,886.

Finally, the Finance Committee adopted a resolution allowing for the electronic payment via ACH or EFT of recurring bills and invoices for a set of specified vendors (e.g., utilities, insurance premiums, equipment leases).

The Finance Committee met on November 19, 2025, at SRPEDD’s office (88 Broadway, Taunton) and via Zoom. The October 22, 2025, Finance Committee meeting minutes were approved; the Treasurer’s Report for October 2025 was received and accepted; and the warrant for expenses in the amount of \$56,186.45 was approved.

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| Cash & Funds: Oct. 1, 2025 | 1,280,938.47 |
| Cash Receipts: Oct. 1-31, 2025 | <u>196,061.96</u> |
| Total Cash Accounted for: | <u>\$ 1,477,000.43</u> |

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| Disbursements: Oct. 1-31, 2025 | 401,013.39 |
| Cash & Funds: Oct. 31, 2025 | <u>1,075,987.04</u> |
| Total Cash Accounted for: | <u>\$ 1,477,000.43</u> |

In addition, the Finance Committee received and accepted the October 2025 month-end general journal entries and reviewed the OPEB trust account statement from Charles Schwab for October 1-31, 2025.

**Southeastern Regional Planning & Economic Development District (SRPEDD)
Joint Transportation Planning Group (JTPG) Meeting**

DRAFT Minutes for the JTPG Meeting

Held on Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 2:00 PM

Held Hybrid via Zoom and SRPEDD Office in Accordance with Massachusetts Open Meeting Law

The following members and alternates were in attendance:

- Victoria Alfaro, Chair.....Town of Acushnet
- Byron Holmes.....Town of Berkley
- John Woods.....Town of Carver
- Tim Barber.....Town of Dartmouth
- Ralph Vitacco.....Town of Dighton
- Joshua Crabb.....Town of Fairhaven
- Dan Aguiar.....City of Fall River
- Nancy Durfee.....Town of Freetown
- Franklin Moniz.....Town of Lakeville
- Rick Alves.....Town of Mansfield
- Norm Hills.....Town of Marion
- Janice Robbins.....Town of Mattapoisett
- Adam Hart.....City of New Bedford
- William O'Rourke.....Town of Plainville
- TJ Torres.....Town of Plainville
- Amy Messier.....Town of Somerset
- Josh Faherty.....Town of Wareham
- Michael Burris.....Town of Westport
- Chris McDermott.....At-Large, City of Attleboro
- Gloria Saddler.....At-Large, City of Fall River
- Alan Slavin.....At-Large, Wareham/New Bedford Subregion

The following members/alternates were NOT in attendance:

- City of Attleboro
- Town of Carver
- Town of Middleborough
- Town of North Attleborough
- Town of Norton
- Town of Raynham
- Town of Rehoboth
- Town of Rochester
- Town of Seekonk
- Town of Swansea
- City of Taunton

Also in Attendance:

- Barbara Lachance.....Massachusetts Department of Transportation District 5
- Mary Ellen DeFrias.....GATRA
- Christina Mendoza.....SRTA
- Emma Yeh.....Pare Corp.
- Phil Viveiros.....Bowman Consulting
- Nick Schonberger.....Mass Development
- Lisa Estrela-Pedro.....SRPEDD (Attended at SRPEDD office)
- Jackie Jones.....SRPEDD

Andrea Duarte-Campos.....SRPEDD
 Noah Soutier.....SRPEDD
 Rebekah Rose.....SRPEDD
 Jon Gray.....SRPEDD (Attended at SRPEDD office)
 Jen Chaves.....SRPEDD
 Dan Brogan.....SRPEDD
 Audrey Matthews.....SRPEDD

Handouts:

JTPG Meeting Agenda for October 8, 2025
 DRAFT September 10, 2025, JTPG Meeting Minutes

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call:

Chair Victoria Alfaro-Duran called the meeting to order at 2:06 PM. Andrea Duarte-Campos asked all JTPG members to unmute themselves so she could call the complete roll call of JTPG members, with the following being present at the time of the roll call:

Victoria Alfaro, Chair.....Town of Acushnet
 Byron Holmes.....Town of Berkley
 John Woods.....Town of Carver
 Tim Barber.....Town of Dartmouth
 Ralph Vitacco.....Town of Dighton
 Joshua Crabb.....Town of Fairhaven
 Dan Aguiar.....City of Fall River
 Franklin Moniz.....Town of Lakeville
 Rick Alves.....Town of Mansfield
 Norm Hills.....Town of Marion
 Janice Robbins.....Town of Mattapoisett
 Adam Hart.....City of New Bedford
 William O’Rourke.....Town of Plainville
 Amy Messier.....Town of Somerset
 Josh Faherty.....Town of Wareham
 Michael Burris.....Town of Westport
 Chris McDermott.....At-Large, City of Attleboro
 Gloria Saddler.....At-Large, City of Fall River
 Alan Slavin.....At-Large, Wareham/New Bedford Subregion

2. Approval of Minutes – September 10, 2025 (Materials Attached & roll call vote needed)

Chair Alfaro-Duran called for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2025, meeting. The motion was made by Dan Aguiar and seconded by William O’Rourke. Ms. Duarte-Campos then called the roll:

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| Town of Acushnet.....Yes | Town of Lakeville.....Yes |
| Town of Berkley.....Yes | Town of Mansfield.....Abstain |
| Town of Carver.....Abstain | Town of MarionYes |
| Town of DartmouthYes | Town of Mattapoisett.....Yes |
| Town of Dighton.....Yes | City of New Bedford.....Yes |
| Town of Fairhaven.....Yes | Town of Plainville.....Yes |
| City of Fall River.....Yes | Town of Somerset.....Abstain |

Town of Wareham.....Yes
Town of Westport.....Yes
At-Large, City of Attleboro.....Yes

At-Large, City of Fall River.....Abstain
At-Large, Town of Wareham.....Yes

THE MOTION PASSED WITH 4 ABSTENTIONS.

3. Public Comments – Opportunity for the Public to address the JTPG

There were no comments offered.

4. Regional Transit Authorities (RTAs) Report - RTA Updates

Mary Ellen DeFrias from GATRA reported continued positive trends in ridership, noting that GATRA is very encouraged by the sustained growth. She highlighted that for the second consecutive month, ridership has increased on the Gateway Link, which connects Brockton, Taunton, and Fall River. In September, the service transported 1,198 passengers, operating Monday through Friday. Ms. DeFrias noted that this growth demonstrates that the service is successfully addressing a long-identified gap in connectivity within Bristol County.

Christina Mendoza from SRTA reported that ridership continues to increase following the implementation of the extended micro-connector zones and expanded service span. Overall ridership has also grown since the introduction of fare-free service. She noted that SRTA is continuing to develop its Comprehensive Regional Transit Plan (CRTP) in coordination with MassDOT.

5. Community of Practice Discussion – Opportunity for Members to Share Questions, Project Updates, Challenges, Success Stories, Lessons Learned

There were no comments offered.

6. Draft SMMPO Public Participation Plan Update (Roll Call Vote Needed to recommend to SMMPO for release to 45-day public comment period)

Ms. Duarte-Campos presented the draft Public Participation Plan (PPP) Update, explaining that the PPP establishes SRPEDD’s guidelines for public outreach and engagement in the development of all regional transportation plans, projects, and studies. The plan is updated on an as-needed basis to ensure that all residents in the region have ample and meaningful opportunities to participate in the continuous, cooperative, and comprehensive (3C) metropolitan transportation planning and decision-making process. She noted that the last update to the PPP occurred in 2022, and this revision is informed by recent policy changes, feedback from SRPEDD’s federal certification review, and insights gained from recent public engagement activities. The updated PPP introduces several key changes. It adds public engagement goals, principles, and evaluation measures, including the “Four E’s” (Educate, Embolden, Evaluate, and Encourage) to better guide outreach and feedback processes. It also includes policy and procedural updates such as revised virtual and hybrid meeting practices, updated alternative meeting notice language, and recognition of SRPEDD’s website as the official posting location for meeting notices under the Open Meeting Law. The updated plan expands evaluation of metrics related to visibility, participation, public feedback, and accessibility. These include tracking outreach materials distributed, the number and location of public meetings and events, participation levels, survey responses, social media engagement, website activity, and engagement with Title VI and Limited English Proficiency (LEP) populations. The update also adds clarified descriptions of the public participation process for each MPO work product, details on when comment periods occur, and outreach and engagement methods that describe how each is used and its relative advantages. The document was reorganized and reformatted to improve clarity and usability for staff, community partners, and the public. Ms. Duarte-Campos noted that references to Environmental Justice and similar initiatives were removed from the plan, and new LEP population data has been incorporated.

Ms. Duarte-Campos requested the JTPG vote to recommend the draft PPP for SMMPO release to a 45-day public review and comment period.

Chair Alfaro-Duran called for a motion to recommend to the SMMPO that the draft be released for public comment. A motion was made by Alan Slavin to recommend the draft to the SMMPO and was seconded by Tim Barber. Ms. Duarte-Campos then called the roll:

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| Town of Acushnet.....Yes | Town of Mattapoisett.....Yes |
| Town of Berkley.....Yes | City of New Bedford.....Yes |
| Town of Carver.....Yes | Town of Plainville.....Yes |
| Town of DartmouthYes | Town of Somerset.....Yes |
| Town of Dighton.....Yes | Town of Wareham.....Yes |
| Town of Fairhaven.....Yes | Town of Westport.....Yes |
| City of Fall River.....Yes | At-Large, City of Attleboro.....Yes |
| Town of Lakeville.....Yes | At-Large, City of Fall River.....Yes |
| Town of Mansfield.....Yes | At-Large, Town of Wareham.....Yes |
| Town of MarionYes | |

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. Draft SMMPO Language Assistance Plan Update (Roll Call Vote Needed to recommend to SMMPO for release to 45-day public comment period)

Jen Chaves presented the Language Assistance Plan (LAP) Update, which identifies Limited English Proficiency (LEP) populations in the region and outlines how SRPEDD and the SMMPO ensure meaningful access to information and participation in the transportation planning process. The analysis draws on data from multiple sources, including the U.S. Census American Community Survey (ACS), the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, and local community knowledge. She explained that the top languages spoken in the SRPEDD region are Spanish, Portuguese, and Creole (Haitian, French and Cajun), which have been designated as the region’s Safe Harbor languages. While these are prioritized for translation, SRPEDD also recognizes the presence and importance of other languages, such as Chinese and Vietnamese. The analysis used to determine translation needs for specific projects and events considers both demographic data and local knowledge, ensuring that outreach and communication efforts accurately reflect the region’s linguistic diversity.

Ms. Chaves then summarized the four-factor analysis, guiding the LAP. The first factor identifies LEP populations and the most commonly spoken languages across the region. The second examines the frequency of contact with LEP individuals, which occurs most often during community events, public meetings, and coordination with social service organizations and local advocates. The third factor considers the importance of SRPEDD’s programs and MPO planning activities, emphasizing the need to make all transportation planning documents and processes accessible and understandable to the public. The fourth factor evaluates the resources available to provide language assistance, noting that SRPEDD allocates funding for translation and interpreter services and benefits from a multilingual staff fluent in Portuguese, Spanish, and French. Ms. Chaves noted that SRPEDD routinely provides written translations of vital documents, interpreter services, and translated surveys and outreach materials in Safe Harbor and project-specific languages. SRPEDD has contracted with the Language Line, a phone-based interpretation service offering support in over 170 languages, and its website includes a built-in translation feature supporting over 100 languages. She added that the LAP remains an integral component of the MPO’s Title VI program and will be monitored and updated in conjunction with the PPP or will be revised as needed to reflect significant language or demographic changes. Efforts to seek new data sources and improve accuracy will continue with Census and ACS data reviewed approximately every two years, and Department of Education

data updated annually. Ms. Chaves requested the JTPG vote to recommend the LAP Update for SMMPO release to a 45-day public review and comment period.

Vice Chair Slavin called for a motion to recommend to the SMMPO that the update be released for public comment. A motion was made by Alan Slavin to recommend the update to the SMMPO and was seconded by Norman Hills. Ms. Duarte-Campos then called the roll:

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| Town of Acushnet.....Yes | Town of Mattapoisett.....Yes |
| Town of Berkley.....Yes | City of New Bedford.....Yes |
| Town of Carver.....Yes | Town of Plainville.....Yes |
| Town of DartmouthYes | Town of Somerset.....Yes |
| Town of Dighton.....Yes | Town of Wareham.....Yes |
| Town of Fairhaven.....Yes | Town of Westport.....Yes |
| City of Fall River.....Yes | At-Large, City of Attleboro.....Yes |
| Town of Lakeville.....Yes | At-Large, City of Fall River.....Yes |
| Town of Mansfield.....Yes | At-Large, Town of Wareham.....Yes |
| Town of MarionYes | |

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. Draft Comprehensive Climate Action Plan Overview

Audrey Matthews presented an update on the Comprehensive Climate Action Plan being developed under the Providence–Warwick Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG), which covers all of Rhode Island and the SRPEDD region in Massachusetts. The plan aims to significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions through coordinated regional measures informed by a greenhouse gas inventory, future projections, and consultant support from EA Engineering, Science, and Technology, Inc. and UMass Dartmouth. Ms. Matthews explained that the plan aligns with the EPA’s CPRG program goals to create good jobs and lower energy costs, address environmental impacts and empower overburdened communities, and deliver cleaner, less polluting air.

The plan identifies reduction strategies across several key sectors. In transportation, efforts focus on small-scale roadway improvements, expanding public transit and commuter rail use, and implementing green port strategies to reduce idling and industrial emissions. Natural and working lands strategies include preventing forest and wetland loss, supporting soil restoration and farmland preservation, and enhancing carbon sequestration on urban brownfields. Industrial measures emphasize biogas conversion, technical assistance to improve efficiency, and supporting the clean energy transition for legacy industries and small businesses. Building-related measures include decarbonization, weatherization, climate-resilient zoning, energy tracking, and the use of low-emission construction materials. Ms. Matthews noted that the final report and supplemental implementation guide, which will include funding and workforce planning resources, are expected early next year. She encouraged attendees to share feedback on potential local applications or additional program ideas.

9. Interactive Transit-Accessible Park Finder (ITAP) Map Presentation ([Link](#))

Dan Brogan provided an overview and demonstration of SRPEDD’s ITAP interactive park-finder tool, which highlights parks, beaches, trails, and recreation amenities throughout the region. The map displays available features at each park—including bike parking, athletic fields, splash pads, and summer food access programs offering free lunches to youth and families. The tool also identifies restroom availability, distinguishing between permanent facilities and portable options, and highlights ADA-accessible and stroller-friendly parks, including those with accessible playground surfacing. Users can also view bus routes connecting to nearby parks and beaches, such as Onset Beach and Taunton State Park.

Mr. Brogan noted that the tool's layered map functions allow users to toggle amenities on and off, filter by trail type or transit provider (SRTA or GATRA), and explore specific destinations such as nature paths or splash pads. The platform is designed to improve accessibility and awareness of green space and food-security resources across the region. The tool can be accessed online by searching "ITAP the Map" or visiting tinyurl.com/itapthemap. Mr. Brogan stated that the project supports regional efforts to promote recreation, accessibility, and equitable access to open space.

Chair Alfaro-Duran asked whether there are plans to expand the ITAP mapping tool to include trailheads and related amenities, noting that trail access and parking information can be difficult to find. Mr. Brogan responded that this is an important consideration and confirmed that SRPEDD's Transportation Department is currently mapping trails across the region. He noted that as this data becomes available, it will be incorporated into the park-finder tool as an additional layer to improve accessibility and ease of use. Emma Yeh asked if the ITAP mapping tool distinguishes parks or athletic fields that require permits or reservations for group use, noting that some municipalities have specific policies for organized activities or pavilion rentals. Mr. Brogan responded that this feature is not currently included but agreed it is valuable feedback. He noted that adding information on field reservations and facility rentals would enhance the tool's usefulness and said He plans to incorporate this suggestion into future updates.

Jon Gray asked which GIS data sources were used to develop the ITAP mapping tool and how municipalities can ensure that new or updated park information, such as expansions or added amenities, are reflected in the map, particularly for transit-accessible locations. Mr. Brogan explained that the map's data is drawn from multiple sources, primarily the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), which provides public parcel data. He stated that he refines this data by filtering park and open-space parcels, cross-referencing municipal Parks and Recreation websites, and verifying through local updates and news (for example, improvements at Duval Park in Taunton). Mr. Brogan added that he hopes to collaborate more directly with municipal staff to keep the map accurate and ensure that park amenities and accessibility features are authentically represented.

10. Other Business

Lisa Estrela-Pedro provided a brief reminder regarding the Evacuation Route Study. She stated that it is currently out for public comment and scheduled to go before the SMMPO for endorsement in the coming weeks. Attendees were encouraged to review the document and submit feedback.

11. Date and Time for Next Meeting

Date and Time for the next meeting is November 12, 2025, at 2:00 PM as a hybrid meeting, in which attendees can join at the SRPEDD office in Taunton or via Zoom.

12. Adjourn

Chair Alfaro-Duran asked for a motion to adjourn which was made by Norm Hills and seconded by John Woods. Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 3:09 PM.

Draft Minutes of the Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMMPO) Meeting on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at 1:00 PM - Held remotely via Zoom.

The following members were in attendance:

Derek Shooster-----Representing Monica Tibbits-Nutt, Acting MassDOT Secretary, *Chair*
Shaun Handy-----Representing Jonathan Gulliver, MassDOT Highway Div. Administrator
Stacy Forte-----Representing Mary Ellen DeFrias, GATRA
Christina Mendoza-----Representing Erik Rousseau, SRTA
Cathleen DeSimone-----Mayor of Attleboro
Daniel Aguiar-----Representing Paul Coogan, Mayor of Fall River
Jamie Ponte-----Representing Jon Mitchell, Mayor of New Bedford
Josh Reinke-----Representing Michael Feck, Town of Mansfield
Sarah Hewins-----Town of Carver
Matthew Chabot-----Town of Berkley
Marie Clarner-----SRPEDD Commission Chair

No Ex-Officio, non-voting members were in attendance

The following were also in attendance:

Diane Hayes-----Massachusetts Department of Transportation
Barbara Lachance-----Massachusetts Department of Transportation
Arnav Chatterjee-----Massachusetts Department of Transportation
Dana Hanson-----Office of Congressman Auchincloss
Alan Slavin-----JTPG At-Large Commissioner/Wareham
Chris McDermott-----City of Attleboro
Miles Grant-----Town of Fairhaven
Laura Dias-----Town of Rehoboth
Bonnie Roalsen-----Aecom, MassDOT Safe Routes to School
Lisa Estrela-Pedro-----SRPEDD
Jackie Jones-----SRPEDD
Rebekah Rose-----SRPEDD
Dan Brogan-----SRPEDD
Noah Soutier-----SRPEDD
Jen Chaves-----SRPEDD

Handouts:

SMMPO Agenda October 21, 2025
SMMPO Draft Meeting Minutes September 16, 2025

AGENDA:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call-

Chairman Derek Shooster called the SMMPO meeting to order at 1:00 pm. Ms. Lisa Estrela-Pedro asked all MPO members and designees to please unmute themselves so she could call the roll for attendance. She then called the complete roll of MPO members, with the following being present at the time of the roll call:

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| MassDOT Chair-----Yes | Town of Mansfield-----Yes |
| MassDOT Administrator-----Yes | Town of Carver-----Yes |
| City of Attleboro-----Yes | Town of Berkley-----Yes |
| City of Fall River-----Yes | SRPEDD Commission Chair-----Yes |
| City of New Bedford-----Yes | SRTA-----Yes |

GATRA-----Yes

2. Approval of Minutes – September 16, 2025 (Materials Attached and Roll Call Vote Needed)

Chairman Shooster requested a motion to approve the minutes from the September 16, 2025, SMMPO meeting. The motion was made by Jamie Ponte and seconded by Dan Aguiar. Ms. Estrela-Pedro then called the roll:

MassDOT Chair-----Yes
MassDOT Administrator-----Yes
City of Attleboro-----Yes
City of Fall River-----Yes
City of New Bedford-----Yes
Town of Mansfield-----Yes

Town of Carver-----Yes
Town of Berkley-----Yes
SRPEDD Commission Chair-----Yes
SRTA-----Yes
GATRA-----Yes

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Public Comments

Chairman Shooster invited members of the public to make comments. There were no comments presented.

4. Regional Transit Authorities Report – RTA Updates

Stacy Forte from GATRA provided an update on the Gateway Link service, which began operating in early August. Ridership has been steadily increasing, with approximately 2,266 riders over the past two months. The service connects Fall River, Taunton, and Brockton, allowing riders to transfer to additional regional hubs. Ms. Forte also noted that GATRA experienced a two-day strike at the end of September, though an agreement has been reached with the union. Once finalized, this agreement will allow for expanded service in the future, including Sunday and holiday operations.

Christina Mendoza from SRTA reported continued growth in ridership following the implementation of expanded Micro Connector zones and the addition of new service vans. Last week, the service reached a record high of 127 ride requests, marking the highest volume to date. Ridership has also continued to increase with the ongoing fare-free service. Ms. Mendoza noted that staff are working with MassDOT to develop the Comprehensive Regional Transit Plan (CRTP) and are pursuing several additional planning efforts, which include updates to public-facing schedules, revising Fall River Tribute Route schedules to be user-friendly, and beginning work on the 2025 Fiscal Year Ridership Report.

5. Draft Regional Evacuation Route Plan Discussion ([Link](#), Roll Call Vote Needed to Endorse)

Jackie Jones reported that the Draft Evacuation Route Study was released for public comment at the last MPO meeting. During the comment period, two well-attended public meetings were held, drawing a diverse group of participants who provided valuable feedback. Most comments focused on the next steps, aligning closely with related items in this year’s work program. There was significant interest in tabletop exercises to test evacuation scenarios and in improving public communication during emergency events. In response, SRPEDD has incorporated additional work into this year’s program to expand upon the study’s recommendations.

Ms. Jones noted that minor revisions were made to the draft document, primarily formatting and word edits to improve clarity and readability by using more plain language in place of technical terms. The final version of the study is now available. She reminded members that voting to endorse the study; they are also endorsing the proposed evacuation routes. These designations reflect the expected traffic hierarchy

during an evacuation. Ms. Jones added that SRPEDD has coordinated with MassDOT to integrate these routes into their databases to ensure consistency across agencies.

The Chair asked if there were any questions on the Regional Evacuation Route Plan and seeing none asked for a motion to endorse the Regional Evacuation Route Plan. The motion was made by Dan Aguiar and seconded by Josh Reinke. The Chair asked Ms. Estrela-Pedro to read the roll as follows:

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| MassDOT Chair-----Yes | Town of Carver-----Yes |
| MassDOT Administrator-----Yes | Town of Berkley-----Yes |
| City of Attleboro-----Yes | SRPEDD Commission Chair-----Yes |
| City of Fall River-----Yes | SRTA-----Yes |
| City of New Bedford-----Yes | GATRA-----Yes |
| Town of Mansfield-----Yes | |

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. Draft SMMPO Public Participation Plan Update ([Link](#), Roll Call Vote Needed to release to 45-day public comment period)

Ms. Estrela-Pedro provided an overview of the Draft 2025 Public Participation Plan (PPP) Update. She explained that the PPP guides SMMPO staff in conducting public outreach and engagement during the development of transportation plans, projects, and services, with the goal of ensuring all residents have opportunities to participate in a continuous, cooperative, and comprehensive (3C) planning process. The update reflects recent policy changes, federal certification requirements, and lessons learned from recent engagement efforts such as community tabling and partner collaboration. Major updates include revised virtual meeting procedures, clarification of the public participation process for MPO work products, and significant restructuring to make the document easier to navigate. The plan now includes public engagement goals, principles, and evaluation of metrics focused on educating, emboldening, encouraging, and evaluating participation. The updated plan adds detailed public participation steps for each MPO work product, as well as clear explanations of outreach and engagement methods used by staff. Ms. Estrela-Pedro noted updates to the alternative meeting notice process, which now designates the SRPEDD website as the official posting location, and described new Zoom webinar procedures designed to enhance security and accessibility of meetings.

Marie Clarner commented on the presentation, noting the effective use of alliteration in several slides. She remarked that using this technique helps audiences better remember key points.

The Chair asked if there were any questions on the Draft Public Participation Plan Updates and seeing none asked for a motion to release it to a 45-day public comment period as presented. The motion was made by Marie Clarner and seconded by Cathleen DeSimone. The Chair asked Ms. Estrela-Pedro to read the roll as follows:

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| MassDOT Chair-----Yes | Town of Carver-----Yes |
| MassDOT Administrator-----Yes | Town of Berkley-----Yes |
| City of Attleboro-----Yes | SRPEDD Commission Chair-----Yes |
| City of Fall River-----Yes | SRTA-----Yes |
| City of New Bedford-----Yes | GATRA-----Yes |
| Town of Mansfield-----Yes | |

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. Draft SMMPO Language Assistance Plan Update ([Link](#), Roll Call Vote Needed to release to 45-day public comment period)

Jen Chaves presented an update on the Language Assistance Plan (LAP), which was last updated in 2022. She explained that the plan ensures individuals with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) have equal access to SRPEDD's programs, activities, and services, in accordance with Safe Harbor requirements. Vital documents must be translated when a language group represents 5% or 1,000 individuals in the service area, whichever is less. The plan is structured around a four-factor analysis, which assesses regional LEP populations and informs strategies for meaningful language assistance.

Factor 1 examines the number and proportion of LEP individuals in the region. While prior analyses relied on ACS data, newer ACS datasets group certain languages (e.g., Portuguese) into broader categories. To provide more detailed insight, SRPEDD also used data from the Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS) and the Department of Education. PUMS data, which covers ages 5 and older and includes a broader geographic area, identifies 47 languages, with top languages including Portuguese, Spanish, Haitian Creole, Chinese, and Vietnamese. Department of Education data, which tracks English Language Learners (ELLs) in all school districts, identifies Spanish, Portuguese, and Creole as the top languages. Across all sources, Spanish consistently emerges as the most prominent language, with Portuguese and Creole also significant. Ms. Chaves stated that while these datasets provide a foundation, outreach is tailored to local contexts, incorporating input from community partners to ensure effective communication.

Factor 2 considers the frequency of contact with LEP individuals, which primarily occurs during public events, MPO-hosted meetings, and coordination with social service organizations and advocates. Factor 3 addresses the importance of SRPEDD programs, activities, and services, ensuring the public understands planning processes and has opportunities to provide feedback. Factor 4 evaluates available resources, including funding for translation and interpreter services. SRPEDD provides assistance through translated documents, interpreter services on request, bilingual staff support, and a contract with the Language Line, which offers on-demand interpretation in over 170 languages. Outreach materials and surveys are routinely translated, and the SRPEDD website features Google Translate integration. Staff continually review Census and Department of Education data to monitor language trends and update the plan as needed. Ms. Chaves noted that the LAP is an integral part of SRPEDD's Title VI Program and is updated whenever significant changes in regional language demographics occur.

The Chair asked about the relationship between the Language Assistance Plan (LAP) update and the Public Participation Plan (PPP) update. Ms. Chaves explained that the two plans are coordinated to the extent possible. However, updates may occur independently if, for example, there is a major change in regional language demographics that requires a LAP update while the PPP does not require changes.

Laura Dias, an attendee from Rehoboth, inquired whether the discussion was specific to her community. The Chair clarified that the meeting was a Southeast Massachusetts MPO session, and that no Rehoboth-specific agenda items were being discussed. Laura noted that, while not directly on the agenda, her community is experiencing urban sprawl, gentrification, and external development pressures, which are impacting local employment, population stability, substance abuse, crime, and environmental resources, particularly water sources. She emphasized the challenges small towns face in regulating development through planning and zoning boards, citing a lack of consistency and protections for local residents, and expressed the community's desire to maintain its rural and agricultural identity. Ms. Dias also suggested literature to help understand ethical and local planning considerations, including John Steinbeck's *The Pearl*, and drew parallels to issues faced by farmers dealing with outside investors. The Chair thanked Ms. Dias for her comments and further clarified that the MPO is a decision-making body for surface transportation investments and the allocation of federal funds. Ms. Estrela-Pedro commented that broader concerns regarding urban sprawl, crime, and community planning fall outside the MPO's direct purview. She advised Laura to follow up with SRPEDD's Comprehensive Planning Department, offering to connect her with appropriate staff who could address these broader planning concerns.

The Chair asked if there were any other questions on the Draft SMMPO Language Assistance Plan Updates and seeing none asked for a motion to release it to a 45-day public comment period as presented. The motion was made by Marie Clarner and seconded by Dan Aguiar. The Chair asked Ms. Estrela-Pedro to read the roll as follows:

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| City of Attleboro-----Yes | SRPEDD Commission Chair-----Yes |
| City of Fall River-----Yes | SRTA-----Yes |
| City of New Bedford-----Yes | GATRA-----Yes |
| Town of Mansfield-----Yes | |

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. FFY2026-2030 TIP Proposed Adjustment #1 – 1) Dartmouth- Corridor Improvements on Route 6, from Faunce Corner Road to Hathaway Road in FFY2026 - Funding Category Change & 2) New Bedford SS4A - Two Demonstration Projects Move from FFY2025 to FFY2026 and Funding Category Change (Materials Attached, Roll Call Vote Needed to Endorse)

Ms. Estrela-Pedro presented the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2026–2030 TIP Proposed Adjustments. The adjustments affect FFY 2026 and involve two projects. The first is Project 607871, the Dartmouth Corridor Improvements on Route 6 from Faunce Corner Road to Hathaway Road, which is currently programmed with approximately \$11 million in regional target funds. The proposal reallocates part of the project, approximately \$3.6 million, with two discretionary earmarks, freeing additional regional target funds for other smaller projects that might be ready. The second change involves the New Bedford SS4A Demonstration Projects discretionary grant, originally programmed for 2025 but could not be advertised within that timeframe, and is now moved into FFY 2026.

The Chair asked if there were any other questions on the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2026–2030 TIP Proposed Adjustments for Dartmouth and New Bedford and seeing none asked for a motion to approve these adjustments as presented. The motion was made by Marie Clarner and seconded by Dan Aguiar. The Chair asked Ms. Estrela-Pedro to read the roll as follows:

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| MassDOT Chair-----Yes | Town of Carver-----Yes |
| MassDOT Administrator-----Yes | Town of Berkley-----Yes |
| City of Attleboro-----Yes | SRPEDD Commission Chair-----Yes |
| City of Fall River-----Yes | SRTA-----Yes |
| City of New Bedford-----Yes | GATRA-----Yes |
| Town of Mansfield-----Yes | |

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. FFY2026-2030 TIP Proposed Amendment #1 – 1) Addition of Flex Funds to Federal Transit Administration in FFY2026 for Mansfield to Logan Shuttle Bus (Blue Apple Bus) Year 4 Funding & 2) New Bedford Intersection Improvements at Mount Pleasant Street and Nash Road in FFY2028 - Cost Increase & Funding Category Change (Materials Attached, Roll Call Vote Needed to release to 21-day public comment period)

Ms. Estrela-Pedro presented the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2026–2030 TIP Proposed Amendments. In FFY 2026, the amendment includes funding for the FTA Mansfield-to-Logan shuttle bus, the Blue Apple bus service, in its fourth year of funding. For FFY 2028, there is a cost increase for Project 610798, the New

Bedford intersection improvements at Mount Pleasant Street and Nash Road, along with a change in funding category: while the project was previously funded entirely with regional target funds, approximately \$1.2 million will now be covered by a discretionary earmark.

The Chair asked if there were any other questions on the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2026–2030 TIP Proposed Amendments for Mansfield and New Bedford and seeing none asked for a motion to release it to a 21-day public comment period as presented. The motion was made by Sarah Hewins and seconded by Dan Aguiar. The Chair asked Ms. Estrela-Pedro to read the roll as follows:

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| MassDOT Administrator-----Yes | Town of Berkley-----Yes |
| City of Attleboro-----Yes | SRPEDD Commission Chair-----Yes |
| City of Fall River-----Yes | SRTA-----Yes |
| City of New Bedford-----Yes | GATRA-----Yes |
| Town of Mansfield-----Yes | |

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Chair reminded communities that any discretionary grants, such as SS4A, must be programmed into the TIP before obligating or spending funds as part of their contracts. The earlier TIP adjustment for SS4A was necessary because it had been programmed in a previous TIP but not the current one. The Chair stated that TIP programming is required for all federal-aid investments and requested that communities promptly communicate any changes, including newly awarded or rescinded grants, to SMMPO staff. This ensures proper coordination with MassDOT and compliance with federal requirements. The Chair noted that the MPO is currently operating under the FFY 2026–2030 TIP program.

10. Other Business

Ms. Estrela-Pedro stated that a design public hearing for the Mattapoissett Corridor Improvements on Main, Water, Beacon, and Marion Roads, scheduled for December 4th, 2025, at 6:30 PM at Old Rochester Regional High School. Attendees were invited to reach out for additional information. The Chair reminded the group about the MassDOT “Moving Together” Conference, co-hosted with the UMass Transportation Center, taking place next Tuesday at the Sheraton Boston. The Chair noted that the event is currently at capacity but highlighted that the Innovation Conference in the spring will offer another opportunity for participation.

11. Date and Time for Next Meeting

The Chair announced that the next SMMPO meeting will be on November 18, 2025, at 1:00 pm, held virtually.

12. Adjourn

The Chair asked for a motion and second to adjourn. Cathleen DeSimone made the motion and Sarah Hewins seconded. The Chair asked that all in favor say aye. All ayes were heard. The Chair thanked everyone, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 PM.

MEPA ENVIRONMENTAL MONITOR – PROJECTS IN REGION

| Project | Type | Community | Comments Due | Site Visit Details (Indicate if Remote Meeting) |
|--|--|--------------|--------------|--|
| Water Street Culvert Replacement | ENF | Mattapoisett | 12/16/25 | 12/9/25 (remote) |
| Wareham Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan | EENF certificate granted – requires SEIR | Wareham | n/a | n/a |
| Memorial Park Pond Restoration Project | FEIR certificate granted – compliant with MEPA | Taunton | n/a | n/a |

SRPEDD Environmental Committee

Remote Meeting – August 6, 2025, 9:00 AM

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88391323949?pwd=9XR1lhKGsz0zCg0MqdvqGY2b4F9YkA.1>

ATTENDEES

Committee members: Jim Whitin (Chair), Janice Robbins, Sherry Quirk, Norm Hills

SRPEDD Staff: Danica Belknap, Michelle Tinger

Guests/Speakers: Connor Rockett (DOER)

MINUTES

1. Call to order 9:04 AM
2. Acceptance of minutes: June 4, 2025
 - a. The draft minutes from the June 4th, 2025 regular Environmental Committee meeting were presented to the Committee for review and acceptance. One amendment was requested to add the meeting adjournment time.
 - b. Motion made by Ms. Robbins to accept the June 4, 2025 meeting minutes with the amendment to the meeting adjournment time. Second Mr. Hills. Motion passed unanimously.**
3. Next meeting date: October 1, 2025
 - a. Discussion addressed the next scheduled meeting time, October 1, 2025 at 9am, and it was acknowledged that several Committee members will be unable to make that time. SRPEDD will offer alternative meeting dates via email and confirm each Committee members availability to confirm a new meeting date that works for all (or most).
4. Chair's Report: none.
5. Program & project updates
 - a. Energy Siting & Permitting Regulatory Straw Proposals – presentation from Connor Rockett (Clean Energy Siting & Permitting Regional Coordinator – Southeast, Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources)
 - i. Guest speaker Connor Rockett shared about the New Clean Energy Siting and Permitting Division at MA Department of Energy Resources (DOER), established by 2025 Climate Act to conduct outreach to municipalities and regional planning agencies and share proposed and draft clean energy siting regulations. Mr. Rockett is the office's new Southeastern Regional Coordinator, engaging and providing technical assistance to the SRPEDD region. The goal of the new program is to help communities site renewable energy in a way that respects natural resources and the environmental character of communities, in response from concerns from across the state that guidance is needed to encourage energy projects that are less impactful on the environment.
 - ii. Mr. Rockett provided an overview on the proposed permitting processes for small scale (projects generating < 25MW of energy / <1MWh storage / <1 mi long new transmission line, which was noted encompasses the majority of new projects in MA) and large scale (generating > 25MW of energy / >1MWh storage / >1 mi long new transmission line) project types. Small scale projects will remain under local municipal jurisdiction and the draft regulations propose a 12 month review process within which decisions shall be issued. Large projects will be reviewed at the state level by the Energy Facilities Siting Board (EFSB) with a proposed 15 month review process. Reviews by all applicable boards/committees shall take place simultaneously and 1

consolidated permit (up to the discretion of the municipality as to which authority grants the permit) shall be issued within the allowed timeframe. DOER is preparing guidance for and will provide technical assistance to municipalities during the review process to aid in decision-making.

- iii. Mr. Rockett explained these regulations and the associated siting and permitting reforms are directed to be promulgated in accordance with 2024 Clean Energy Law, which directs DOER to streamline the clean energy project permitting process; protect public health, safety and the environment; establish standards for site suitability, permit conditions, environmental mitigation; and provide guidance for project review procedures and timelines.
- iv. A new pre-filing process will require applicants submit a NOI with draft development proposal up to 60 days prior to application, with the aim to help to address any potential issues/disagreements before applications are submitted, to help reviews go quicker and to avoid potential appeals to decisions by addressing any disagreements early on. (Appeals can be made by developers to the Energy Facilities Siting Board.)
- v. Discussion addressed the cumulative impacts experienced by communities where multiple large energy projects already exist that have had a negative impact on local character and contribute to forest loss. DOER is considering a “Safe Harbor” provision for communities that have already permitted projects and contributed their share to meeting the State’s clean energy goals, to relieve those types of local pressures by directing projects to other communities instead, though how these provisions would roll out are still to be determined. DOER is considering options to incentivize pre-developed sites over clearing forested and other habitat in order to limit environmental impacts.
- vi. Mr. Rockett discussed the proposed timeline for the regulations: the final draft regulations are expected in September 2025; subsequent public hearings will be conducted in September and October; the final regulations are expected to be released by March 1 2026; and the new review process is expected to be implemented beginning in July 2026. It is anticipated that municipalities will need to adopt amendments to any local energy siting bylaws Town Meeting next Spring. Discussion was held around this timeline, with Committee Members noting the administrative and legal difficulties municipalities will face with updating their bylaws and getting them passed at Town Meeting in time to adopt the new regulations within the State’s anticipated bylaw.

6. Old Business: None.

7. New business:

- a. State policy updates: 2024 Climate Act (energy siting), 2025 Mass Ready Act, Wastewater Financing Commission (S638 AND H1000). SRPEDD staff provided the following updates regarding several relevant state policy initiatives:
 - i. 2024 Climate Act (discussed above in Mr. Rockett’s presentation).
 1. The 2024 Climate Act introduces regulatory reforms to accelerate clean energy deployment in Massachusetts while enhancing local engagement and environmental protections. A new Siting and Permitting Office within DOER, represented in the Southeast Region by Connor Rockett, will provide technical assistance to municipalities. The Act proposes a 12-month consolidated permitting timeline, with municipalities retaining authority over small projects (<25MW) and the Energy Facilities Siting Board (EFSB) reviewing larger ones.

Applicants must submit site details and a stakeholder engagement plan 60 days before filing, and projects will be scored using an advisory rubric that considers climate resilience, biodiversity, carbon storage, and Environmental Justice impacts. While local zoning remains in effect, questions remain about municipal roles in large project reviews. A common application portal is in development, and a public comment period on the reforms will run from September 15 to October 17, 2025.

ii. 2025 MassReady Act

1. On June 24, Governor Healey filed the Mass Ready Act, a comprehensive environmental bond bill that authorizes over \$3 billion in capital funding to support climate resilience, adaptation, environmental protection, and housing initiatives across Massachusetts. The Act provides cost-effective tools to reduce climate risks, safeguard natural resources, and build a more resilient and equitable future.
2. Core Objectives of the Mass Ready Act:
 - a. Strengthen infrastructure for climate resilience and adaptation
 - b. Preserve and restore natural resources, open space, and biodiversity
 - c. Promote environmental equity and support disadvantaged communities
 - d. Improve coastal and inland flood control, dam safety, and water quality
 - e. Support sustainable agriculture, local food systems, and housing affordability
 - f. Modernize permitting processes to streamline environmental review

iii. S638

1. A special legislative commission consisting of 23 members is proposed to be established to address nitrogen pollution and wastewater infrastructure needs in Southeastern Massachusetts, with a focus on the Buzzards Bay watershed. The commission's charge is to study and recommend specific, fair, and equitable revenue sources to fund critical wastewater infrastructure improvements that reduce nitrogen pollution across the region. Its responsibilities include conducting financial assessments, analyzing best practices in municipal finance, and evaluating the economic impacts of various funding options. The commission will develop actionable recommendations, draft legislation to support implementation, and hold at least two public hearings in the region to gather community input. To inform its work, the commission may also engage outside experts in water quality, wastewater infrastructure, nutrient pollution, and public finance.

iv. H1000

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various funding options. The commission will develop actionable recommendations, draft legislation to support implementation, and hold at least two public hearings in the region to gather community input. To inform its work, the commission may also engage outside experts in water quality, wastewater infrastructure, nutrient pollution, and public finance.

- v. Discussion was held about how utilities are regulated in Massachusetts and whether water utilities are under the jurisdiction of the [Department of Public Utilities \(DPU\)](#). Some communities without public water are faced with high water rates charged by their neighboring communities' utilities, which can be a disincentive for residents to hook up to public water lines, leading to slower adoption and expansion of public water infrastructure.
8. Roundtable: opportunity to share local updates, concerns and regional topics of interest
 - a. Members acknowledged the significant changes coming from DOER on clean energy siting regulatory updates, and that Towns will likely need a lot of help adopting the new regulations. SRPEDD was proposed as a potential source of technical assistance for communities in adopting the new regulations and updating their bylaws.
 9. **Motion made by Norm Hills to adjourn the meeting at 10:35am. Second Janice Robbins. Motion passed unanimously.**

AGENDA ITEM: Technical Assistance Report, # 8.a.

| Community | Project Name | Status | Department | Project Leads | Funding |
|-----------|--|-----------|---------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| Acushnet | Master Plan | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Grant King, Lizeth Gonzalez | CPG, DLTA, MA |
| Acushnet | Open Space and Recreation Plan Update | Ongoing | Environmental, Comprehensive | Sara Singh, Joe Monet | CPA |
| Acushnet | Water Resource Management Plan | Ongoing | Environmental | Sara Singh | EEA |
| Acushnet | Main St at South Main St and Crompton St Traffic Analysis | Completed | Transportation | Luis de Oliveira | MassDOT |
| Berkley | Section 3A Bylaw | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Lizeth Gonzalez and Chris Welch | One Stop, DLTA |
| Berkley | Economic Development Plan | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Lizeth Gonzalez and Chris Welch | One Stop, DLTA |
| Carver | Economic Development Plan | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Lizeth Gonzalez and Chris Welch | One Stop, DLTA |
| Carver | Housing Production Plan | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Rob Cabral, Taylor Perez | DLTA |
| Carver | Open Space and Recreation Plan Update | Ongoing | Environmental | Danica Belknap, Michelle Tinger | local |
| Carver | South Main St at Tremont St Traffic Signal Warrants | Ongoing | Transportation | Luis de Oliveira | |
| Dartmouth | Housing Production Plan | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Taylor Perez, Rob Cabral | DLTA, Town |
| Dighton | Housing Production Plan | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Taylor Perez, Rob Cabral | CCC, DLTA |
| Fairhaven | MVP 2.0 | Completed | Environmental | Audrey Matthews | local |
| Fairhaven | Open Space and Recreation Plan | Ongoing | Environmental | Audrey Matthews | DLTA |
| Fairhaven | Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Update | Ongoing | Environmental, Comprehensive | Joe Monet, Sara Singh | FEMA |

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| Fall River | Regional Water Supply Analysis | Completed | Environmental | Lauren Lunetta | EOEEA MVP |
| Fall River | Mother's Brook Sewer Upgrades (D&E, Permitting) Project Administration | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Lizeth Gonzalez | EDA |
| Fall River | Open Space and Recreation Plan Update | Ongoing | Environmental | Lauren Lunetta | local |
| Lakeville | Planning Board Rules and Regulations | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Taylor Perez | One Stop |
| Lakeville | Clark Shores Long Pond PRB Permitting & Design | New | Environmental | Karen Pettinelli | TNC |
| Mansfield | Green Communities Competitive Grant Management | Ongoing | Environmental | Karen Pettinelli | DOER |
| Mansfield | Open Space and Recreation Plan Update | Ongoing | Environmental | Danica Belknap, Lauren Lunetta | DLTA |
| Mansfield | Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Update | Ongoing | Environmental | Audrey Matthews | FEMA |
| Mattapoissett | Open Space and Recreation Plan Update | Ongoing | Environmental | Michelle Tinger/Cece Lagomarsino | DLTA / Local |
| Middleborough | ASHE Response Tool Kit | Ongoing | Homeland Security | Kevin Ham | Local |
| Middleborough | Master Plan | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Taylor Perez, Grant King | One Stop, DLTA |
| Middleborough | Historic/General Use District Bylaw Amendments | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Grant King, Robert Cabral | MassDOT, SCR |
| New Bedford | AHA Civic Engagement | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Lizeth Gonzalez | Local, DLTA, MA |
| New Bedford | North Terminal Extension Phase II and Pier Fendering Project | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Jeff Walker, Lizeth Gonzalez, Grant King | EDA |
| New Bedford | Marine Commerce Terminal | Pending | Comprehensive | Lizeth Gonzalez | EDA |

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| Norton | Section 3A Technical Assistance Phase 2 | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Taylor Perez, Rob Cabral | MHP, Barr Foundation, DLTA |
| Norton | Green Communities Designation Grant Assistance | Ongoing | Environmental | Audrey Matthews | DOER |
| Norton | Housing Production Plan (Tier 3, Phase 1) | Pending | Comprehensive | Taylor Perez | DLTA |
| Plympton | Section 3A Technical Assistance | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Taylor Perez, Rob Cabral | MHP, Barr Foundation |
| Raynham | Section 3A Technical Assistance | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Lizeth Gonzalez, Robert Cabral | MHP, Barr Foundation |
| Regional | Assawompset Ponds Long Pond PRB Feasibility Study | completed | Environmental | Karen Pettinelli | DER |
| Regional | SRPEDD Regional Resilience Plan (SRRP) | Implementation | Comprehensive, Environmental, Transportation | Danica Belknap, Lizeth Gonzalez, Grant King | DLTA |
| Regional | Greater New Bedford Regional Refuse Management District Land Alternatives and Reuse Study | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Rob Cabral, Lizeth Gonzalez, Grant King | DLTA, Local |
| Regional | Regional Outdoor Recreation Inventory | Ongoing | Environmental | Cece Lagomarsino | MOOR |
| Regional | Assawompset Ponds Water Quality Assessment, Snake River Culvert Evaluation and Nemasket River restoration | Ongoing | Environmental | Danica Belknap, Karen Pettinelli | DER, TNC |
| Regional | Taunton River Stewardship Council Website Technical Assistance | Ongoing | Environmental | Karen Porter | TRSC |

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| Regional | DLTA and DLTA-A | Ongoing | Comprehensive, Environmental, Transportation | Jeff Walker, Grant King, Danica Belknap, Lisa Estrela-Pedro | DLTA-A |
| Regional | Rural Community Section 3A Compliance Efforts | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Rob Cabral, Taylor Perez | EOHLC |
| Regional | Assawompset Ponds Groundwater Hydrologic & Hydraulic Study | Ongoing | Environmental | Danica Belknap, Michelle Tinger | DER |
| Regional | Assawompset Ponds Sedimentation, Invasive Removal, and Snipatuit Evaluation | Ongoing | Environmental | Danica Belknap, Michelle Tinger | ARPA |
| Regional | Rural Policy Advisory Council | Ongoing | Environmental | Karen Pettinelli, Danica Belknap | |
| Regional | Arts and Culture Community Development Initiative | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Lizeth Gonzalez | DLTA |
| Regional | Justice, Equity, and Community Development (JECDD) Initiative | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Taylor Perez | DLTA |
| Regional | South Coast Administrators Committee | Ongoing | Administrative | Jeff Walker | SRPEDD |
| Regional | Mass. Assn. of Regional Planning Commissions (MARPA) | Ongoing | Administrative | Jeff Walker | RPAs |
| Regional | Brownfield Community Wide Assessment Grant | Ongoing | Environmental | Danica Belknap, Lizeth Gonzalez | EPA |
| Regional | Regional ADU Bylaw Technical Assistance | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Rob Cabral, Taylor Perez, Grant King | DLTA |

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| Regional | Resilient Taunton Watershed Network (RTWN) facilitation | Ongoing | Environmental | Sara Singh | |
| Regional | Taunton River Stewardship Plan Update | Ongoing | Environmental | Sara Singh | TRSC |
| Regional | Taunton River Pocket Map Update | Ongoing | Environmental | Karen Porter | TRSC |
| Regional | Buzzards Bay Water Quality Planning & Regional NPS Coordinator Program | New | Environmental | Michelle Tinger | MassDEP |
| Regional | Rural COA Partnership | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Amber Davis | AgeSpan, EOE |
| Regional | Emergency Management /Evacuation Tabletop Exercises | NEW | Homeland Security/Transportation | Kevin Ham | MassDOT |
| Regional - MassDOT | Regional Evacuation Route Study | Completed | Transportation | Kevin Ham, Sean Hilton | MassDOT |
| Regional - MassDOT | SMMPO Public Participation Plan Update | In DRAFT | Transportation | Andrea Duarte | MassDOT |
| Regional - MassDOT | SMMPO Language Assistance Plan | In DRAFT | Transportation | Jennifer Chaves | MassDOT |
| Regional - MassDOT | Southcoast Bikeway Technical Assistance | Ongoing | Transportation | Jon Gray | MassDOT, DLTA |
| Regional - MassDOT | Pavement Management - Fed. Aid Road Network Data Collection & Analysis | Ongoing | Transportation | Luis de Oliveira | MassDOT |
| Regional - MassDOT | Taunton River Trail Technical Assistance | Ongoing | Transportation | Jon Gray | MassDOT |
| Regional - MassDOT | Joint Transportation | Ongoing | Transportation | Lisa Estrela-Pedro, Andrea | MassDOT |

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| | Planning Group (JTPG) | | | Duarte, Jackie Jones | |
| Regional - MassDOT | Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMMPO) | Ongoing | Transportation | Lisa Estrela-Pedro, Andrea Duarte | MassDOT |
| Regional - MassDOT | Food Access & Security in Transportation Plan, Phase 2 | Ongoing | Transportation | Noah Soutier, Jon Gray | MassDOT |
| Regional - MassDOT | Parking Lot Utilization Plan, Phase 2 | Ongoing | Transportation | Jon Gray | MassDOT |
| Regional - MassDOT | FFY26-30 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Management | Ongoing | Transportation | Jackie Jones, Lisa Estrela-Pedro | MassDOT |
| Regional - MassDOT | FFY27-31 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Management Development | NEW | Transportation | Jackie Jones, Lisa Estrela-Pedro | MassDOT |
| Regional - MassDOT | Transit Coordination | Ongoing | Transportation | Dan Brogan | MassDOT |
| Regional - MassDOT | Traffic Counting and Turning Movement Counts | Ongoing | Transportation | Luis de Oliveira, Sisar Botelho | MassDOT |
| Regional - Green Communities | Regional Energy Planning Assistance (REPA): Annual Reports, Competitive Grant Applications, Regional Technical Consultant and Energy Leadership Exchange | Ongoing | Environmental | All Enviro Staff; Danica DOER Contract Management | DOER |
| Regional - MassDOT | South East Regional Coordinating Council on Transportation (SERCCOT) | Ongoing | Transportation | Dan Brogan | MassDOT |

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| Regional - MassDOT | Age Friendly Mobility Plan, Phase 2 | Ongoing | Transportation | Andrea Duarte, Amber Davis | MassDOT |
| Regional - Providence-Warwick MSA | Climate Pollution Reduction Grant | Ongoing | Environmental | Audrey Matthews | EPA |
| Regional - SNEP Network | SNEP Network Provider | Ongoing | Environmental | Danica Belknap | USM/EPA |
| Regional - SRAC | Homeland Security Program and Project Management | Ongoing | Comprehensive, Homeland Security | Kevin Ham, Grant King | MAPC |
| Regional - SRAC | Homeland Security Program and Project Management | Ongoing | Comprehensive, Homeland Security | Kevin Ham, Grant King | MAPC, EOPSS |
| Regional & Dighton, Middleborough | Open Space Residential Design Regional Study | Ongoing | Environmental | Michelle Tinger, Karen Pettinelli | EOEEA |
| Regional (Berkley, Dighton, Rehoboth) | MBI Municipal Digital Equity Planning | New | Comprehensive | Maria Jones, Amber Davis | MassTech, MBI |
| Regional (Carver, Lakeville, Middleborough) | MBI Municipal Digital Equity Planning | New | Comprehensive | Maria Jones, Amber Davis | MassTech, MBI |
| Regional | Farmland Protection Partnership Program Grant | New | Environmental | Karen Pettinelli | MDAR |
| Rehoboth | Green Communities Technical Assistance | Ongoing | Environmental | Audrey Matthews, Lauren Lunetta | DOER |
| Seekonk | Housing Production Plan (Tier 2, Phase 1) | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Taylor Perez | DLTA |
| Somerset | Slade's Ferry Zoning and Design Guidelines and Implementation | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Grant King, Lizeth Gonzalez, Rob Cabral, Maria Jones | Local, DLTA |
| Somerset | Route 103 Neighborhood Plan | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Rob Cabral | EOHLC |

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| Somerset | Riverwalk and Overlook Concept Design | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Rob Cabral | TRSC |
| Somerset, Swansea | Wastewater District Assistance | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Lizeth Gonzalez | EDA |
| Swansea | Master Plan, Open Space and Recreation Plan, and Housing Production Plan | Completed | Comprehensive, Environmental | Robert Cabral, Taylor Perez, Danica Belknap | DLTA, Urban Agenda, local, MA |
| Swansea | Compton's Corner Stormwater Management Planning | Completed | Environmental | Audrey Matthews | CZM |
| Swansea | Route 103 Corridor Plan | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Rob Cabral | EOHLC |
| Swansea | Municipal Digital Equity Plan | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Maria Jones, Kaitlin Whalen | MBI |
| Swansea | MVP 2.0 Technical Assistance | Pending | Environmental | Audrey Matthews | MVP |
| Taunton | ASHE Training Exercise | Ongoing | Homeland Security | Kevin Ham | DLTA, local |
| Taunton | Lights On Festival Direct Economic Impacts | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Rob Cabral, Lizeth Gonzalez, Grant King | local |
| Taunton | Section 3A Technical Assistance | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Taylor Perez, Rob Cabral | EOHLC, local |
| Taunton | MSIP V- Business Park | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Lizeth Gonzalez | EDA |
| Taunton | Hart Street at Poole Street and Bristol Pymouth High School northern entrance | Completed | Transportation | Luis de Oliveira | MassDOT |
| Taunton | Norton Avenue and Cranve Avenue South Heavy Vehicle Excluion | Ongoing | Transportation | Luis de Oliveira | MassDOT |
| Westport | Head of Westport Traffic Counts | Traffic Counts & Historical Data Comparison | Transportation | Luis de Oliveira | MassDOT |

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| Westport | MVP 2.0 Technical Assistance | Completed | Environmental | Danica Belknap | Local, MVP |
| Westport | Route 6 Neighborhood Plan | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Lizeth Gonzalez and Robert Cabral | One Stop |
| Westport | Open Space and Recreation Plan | Ongoing | Environmental | Karen Pettinelli | DLTA |
| Westport | Housing Production Plan (Tier 1, Phase 1) | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Taylor Perez | DLTA, local |
| Westport and Wood Hole Group | Beach Management Plan | Ongoing | Comprehensive | Kevin Ham | Woods Hole Group |
| Wrentham | MVP 2.0 Technical Assistance | Pending | Environmental | Lauren Lunetta | MVP |