

# Freight Corridor Designation

MassDOT requested SRPEDD and other MPOs identify critical areas for freight movement throughout the region as part of MassDOT's own freight planning efforts. SRPEDD staff utilized existing data collected as part of our own freight planning and traffic counting programs to inform roadways that were selected.

MassDOT designated approximately 17.4 miles of roadway to be included as critical urban freight corridors, and 7.16 miles of roadway to be included as rural freight corridors throughout the SRPEDD region. Roadways were designated as urban or rural based on existing urbanized areas (UZAs) as designated by the US Census Bureau.



**SRPEDD**

Southeastern Regional Planning  
& Economic Development District



# Timeline

- August through November 2025: RPAs determine candidate CRFCs and CUFCs and send to MassDOT to review corridor's role in accessing and connecting to the network and freight facilities

## **SRPEDD staff chose roadways that met the following criteria**

- Roadways that experienced a high number of trucks (150+ or >5% heavy trucks, 500+ or >5% light trucks)
- Connected existing industrial parks to major highways
- Near existing areas with truck travel time reliability issues

## Timeline (continued)

- December 2025/January 2026: RPAs propose new and/or updated CRFCs and CUFCs at MPO/TPO meetings and release for public comment
- January/February 2026: MPOs/TPOs vote on designation of CRFCs and CUFCs
- March 2026: MassDOT certifies and submits CRFC and CUFC (on behalf of MPOs/TPOs) designations to FHWA
- August 2026: CRFCs and CUFCs are included in Massachusetts Freight Plan and projects on these corridors are eligible for NHFP funds

## CRITICAL RURAL FREIGHT CORRIDORS (Southeastern Massachusetts)

Town	Street Name	Route Number	Start	End	Length	Justification
Middleboro	Bedford Street	Rte 18	Ocean Spray Drive	Tinkham Lane	0.0459	Small section of larger urban corridor not in UZA, is technically a rural corridor
Middleboro	Wareham St	Rte 28	Pine St	M326689 NB	2.5923089	High truck volumes in the area, provides alternative for Route 495 in heavy traffic times, several industrial properties along roadway
Berkley	Myricks St	Rte 79	Old Myricks St	County St	1.9558248	High truck volumes along the area and provides connection further north to Route 140
Carver	North Main St	Rte 58	Ramp-RT 58 to RT 44 WB / RAMP-RT 44 WB to RT 58	Rte 44	0.4575409	Connection out of the region and to Route 44 to access other towns for smaller industrial area
Carver	Spring St		RAMP-RT 44 WB TO SPRING ST / RAMP-SPRING ST TO RT 44 WB	Rte 44	0.3993094	Area experiences high truck traffic and connects rural area to Route 44
Carver/ Middleborough	Rte 58	Rte 58	Tremont St	Beach St	0.7001108	Area experiences high truck traffic and connects rural area to Route 44
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>6.1509948</b>	
<b>TARGET</b>					<b>7.16</b>	

### CRITICAL URBAN FREIGHT CORRIDORS (Southeastern Massachusetts)

Town	Street Name	Route Number	Start Point	End Point	Length	Justification
Fall River	Airport Rd		Commerce Dr.	North Main St. Rotary	0.1600466	Connection to Fall River City Pier / Fall River Industrial Park / Amazon Distribution Center
New Bedford	Braley Rd		Rte. 140 NB Ramps	Theodore H. Rice Blvd.	0.1641606	Connection to New Bedford Industrial Park and Distribution Centers
Taunton	Bay Street		I-495 NB Ramps	Crane Ave. North	0.41662760	Connection to Taunton Industrial Park and Distribution Centers, close proximity to the highway
Fall River	Central St		Davol St.	Ferry St.	0.4730648	Connection to Fall River Pier/Freight Terminals / Ferry Services to Block Island
N. Attleboro	Toner BLVD		I-95 Overpass	John L. Dietsch Blvd.	0.2077732	Connection to North Attleborough Industrial Park, Close proximity to the highway
Freetown	S. Main St		Rte. 79 SB Ramps	Narrows Rd.	0.7800984	Connection to Distribution Centers, close proximity to the highway
Swansea	J. Reynolds Rd	Rte 136	Kingsley Way	G.A.R. Hwy. (Rte. 6)	0.5334692	Connection to Distribution Centers, close proximity to the highway
Mansfield	Rte 140	Rte 140	I-95 Over Rte. 140	I-495 NB to Rte. 140 NB Ramps	1.7612213	Connection to Mansfield Industrial Park and Distribution Centers, close proximity to Route 140 that connects to the interstate
Middleboro	Bedford St	Rte 18/28	Campanelli Dr.	Middleborough Rotary	0.5859954	Connection to Middleborough Industrial Park and Distribution Centers
New Bedford	JFK HWY	SR18 SB	I-195 Overpass	Elm St.	1.2775168	Connection to New Bedford City Pier/Freight Terminals (Fishing) / Ferry Services to Islands
Carver	Spring St		Freedom Trail	Rte. 44 EB Ramps	0.2230438	Connection to Industrial Park and Distribution Centers, close proximity to the highway
Wareham	Cranberry Hwy	Rte 28	Tobey Rd.	Rosebrook Way	0.7485274	Connection to Industrial Park and Distribution Centers, close proximity to the highway

**CRITICAL URBAN FREIGHT CORRIDORS (Southeastern Massachusetts), Continued**

Town	Street Name	Route Number	Start Point	End Point	Length	Justification
Middleboro	Harding St	Rte 44	Middleborough Rotary	I-495 Overpass	0.2750244	Connection to Middleborough Industrial Park and Distribution Centers
Middleboro	Bedford St	Rte 18/28	Kenneth Welch Dr.	RAMP-RT 495 SB TO RT 18	0.9135624	Connection to Lakeville Business Park, large number of truck movements observed in area heading toward rotary
Carver	Rte 58	Rte 58	Rte. 28/ Cranberry Hwy	Rte. 495 On/Off Ramps	0.2753	Provides support for high truck volume area to connect to Route 495 to Cape/Islands
Rochester/Wareham	Cranberry Hwy	Rte 28	M397143	M326689 NB	0.5535	Provides support for high truck volume area to connect to Route 495 to Cape/Islands, and existing waste center on roadway, bumps against UZA boundary and continues in Critical Rural Corridor
Norton	Mansfield Ave	Rte 140	Reservoir St	Freeman St	1.3191594	Connection to broader Route 140 and Route 495 for an area with a high number of trucks relative to SRPEDD region
Dartmouth	State Rd	Rte 6	Rte 177	Old Westport Rd	3.149652	Critical area for commerce and experiences a high number of trucks on a daily basis, and connects to larger interstate systems
Seekonk	Taunton Ave	Rte 44	RI Line	Blanding Rd	2.376399	Area experiences high truck traffic, close link to Rhode Island that is critical to region as Washington Bridge continues to be closed
Plainville	Washington St	Rte 1	Rte 152	Rte 495 Ramps	0.4611893	Area experiences high truck traffic and serves as connection to Route 495 via Route 1, value divided by 2 for split
Somerset	Wilbur Ave	Rte 103	Lees River Ave	Rte 195 Ramps	0.5197887	Experiences high truck volumes and connects Somerset and Seekonk to critical I-195 corridor
TOTAL					17.17512030	
TARGET					17.44	