

Cape Cod Joint Transportation Committee (CCJTC)

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CCJTC Members

Roger Parsons, Chairman
Catherine Laurent, Vice Chairman
Neil Andres
Jeff Colby
Paul Tilton
Tom Andrade
Frank Nichols
Richard Waldo
Edward Gross
Timothy Kochan

Representing

Barnstable, Town of Town Engineer
Mashpee, Town of DPW Director
Eastham, Town of, DPW Director
Yarmouth, Town of, DPW Director
Sandwich, Town of, DPW Director
Dennis, Town of, Civil Engineer
Orleans, Town of, DPW Operations Manager
Provincetown, Town of, DPW Director
Bicycle Representative
MassDOT – District 5 (non-voting)

Others in Attendance

Lance Lambros

Clay Schofield
Bill Scully
Ken Petraglia
Griffin Ryder
Glenn Cannon
Steve Tupper
Lisa Dillon
Lev Malakhoff
Patrick Tierney

Representing

District Representative for State Senator Vinny deMacedo
Barnstable, Town of
Green International Affiliates
BETA Group
VHB
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The meeting was called to order at 8:35 am by Chairman, Roger Parsons. The Chairman asked that members of the committee as well as visitors introduce themselves.

Upon a motion to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2016 meeting by Neil Andres, seconded by Catherine Laurent, the vote was passed unanimously.

Federal Fiscal Year 2017 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP): The UPWP is a list of transportation planning projects scheduled for funding and implementation as outlined in the Federal Fiscal Year 2017 (October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017) UPWP document. Cape Cod Commission staff will give a presentation outlining potential planning projects to be included in the Federal Fiscal Year 2017 UPWP. The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will discuss the list of transportation planning projects scheduled for funding and implementation as outlined in the Federal Fiscal Year 2017 UPWP and may potentially vote whether to release this list for a public comment period. - Glenn Cannon, Cape Cod Commission Director of Technical Services

Mr. Cannon presented a power point. The presentation defines each task of the UPWP, it includes a map of where the tasks are performed and a Funding Summary sheet. Also, included in the packet is the Unified Planning Work Program Federal Fiscal Year 2017 plan document.

Mr. Cannon stated that the content of the document has not changed. It has been refined to make it more readable.

Mr. Cannons stated that he had a great meeting with the Brazilian Community at a local church and received 172 comments, it was an excellent turnout. These comments are being translated and will be brought back to the Committee.

Tom Andrade commented that he is working on a coastal resiliency project. He stated that what he has found is that all groups don't agree and it's hard to reach common ground. He suggested putting all of the groups together at one time to work out the differences.

Mr. Cannon explained that the maps are included in the presentation to help see the location of projects so that we can be sure that we are being fair and hitting all towns.

Mr. Parsons encouraged the CCJTC members to utilize the CCC to get the information they need to bring their projects together.

Mr. Kochan asked if MassDOT submitted comments on the UPWP and Mr. Cannon stated that they usually come just before the MPO meeting, therefore we expect them at the end of July. Mr. Cannon asked that Mr. Kochan submit the comments ASAP as both Mr. Kochan and Ms. Haznar have comments. In particular the comments relative to the Rte. 6 median project which is owned by MassDOT.

Upon a motion to release the UPWP for public comment by Dr. Gross, seconded by Jeff Colby, the motion was passed unanimously.

In closing Mr. Parson stated that the CCJTC appreciates all the work that MassDOT has done. Mr. Cannon also thanked the Project Selection Committee for defining the project selection criteria which is very similar to MassDOT's.

Federal Fiscal Years 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment: The TIP is a recommended list of transportation projects (broken into lists of highway and transit projects) to be advertised and eventually constructed using Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration funding for Federal Fiscal Years 2016 to 2019 (October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2019). Cape Cod Commission staff will give a presentation outlining the comments received on the amended list of projects to be constructed during the Federal Fiscal Years 2016-2019 that was released for public comment at the May 23, 2016 Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) meeting. The MPO will discuss these comments on the amended lists of highway and transit projects. The MPO may potentially vote whether to endorse the amended list of highway projects or modify this amended list and release this amended list for another public comment period. The MPO may also potentially vote whether to endorse the amended list of transit projects or modify this amended list and release this amended list for another public comment period. - Steve Tupper, CCC Technical Services Planner

Mr. Tupper presented a power point. The presentation included the Amendment Schedule, and the 2016-2019 TIP Amendments for both the Transit and Highway Programs. Mr. Tupper also included and reviewed a summary sheet for the "Highway" Projects. He pointed out the addition \$ 2,884,100 in statewide funds, which allowed the Cape Cod Rail Trail Extension (CCRTE) project to stay in the programmed year, and add the Truro-Wellfleet and Dennis-Yarmouth projects. Mr. Tupper stated that comments have been received, particularly on the Chatham project.

Mr. Andrade thanked the State and Cape Cod Commission for their support and attention that was given to the Dennis project.

Mr. Kochan stated that for the Dennis-Yarmouth, Rte. 6 resurfacing and related work the cost was increased to \$2,324,000. Mr. Cannon stated that if we go over the overall budget in 2016, we will have to discuss this further.

Federal Fiscal Years 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development: The TIP is a recommended list of transportation projects to be advertised and eventually constructed using Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration funding for Federal Fiscal Years 2017 to 2021 (October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2021). Cape Cod Commission staff will give a presentation outlining the list of projects to be constructed during the Federal Fiscal Years 2017-2021. The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will discuss this recommended list of projects as outlined in the Federal Fiscal Year 2017-2021 TIP and may potentially vote whether to release this list for a public comment period. - Steve Tupper, Cape Cod Commission Transportation Planner*

Mr. Tupper presented a power point. The presentation included the Development Schedule, Project Selection, a review of handouts and interactive maps, includes mapping for Proposed TIP Projects, a chart of the Distribution of TIP Funds by Community, FFY 2017-2021 Regional Targets for Highway Funding for MPO Projects, Programming of FFY 2017-21 MPO Highway Project Discussion, the Statewide Program Highway Projects, Transit Funding Programs Reflected in the TIP, and the CCRTA TIP Project Summary. Also included is a 2017-2021 TIP Highway Project Summary Sheet, and the Cape Cod Transportation Improvement Program Federal Fiscal Year 2017-2021 document. He indicated that this document has been released for public comment.

Jeff Colby added the clarification on Bridge funding would be helpful. The Bass River Bridge between Dennis and Yarmouth is an ongoing maintenance project. Is the Harwich-Brewster-Orleans Rte. 6 resurfacing, a simple resurfacing project or are they looking at the median barrier, etc. Mr. Cannon indicated that they are looking at the acceleration and deceleration lanes but hasn't heard anything about the median barrier. Mr. Kochan added that work includes roadway resurfacing, drainage improvements, bridge work, safety improvements and associated work. The work is from east of Route 24 in Harwich to the Orleans Rotary.

There was a discussion about project scheduling and the importance of it. When we look at the projects we have a handle of when they will go through. Project scheduling will be looked at by the Committee in the fall.

Upon a motion to support the FFY 2017 – 2021 TIP as presented by Neil Andres, seconded by Catherine Laurent, the vote was passed unanimously

Mr. Cannon pointed out that Lance Lambros is in attendance and that he wanted to thank Senator deMacedo office for their assistance with the clerical error on the Bass River Bridge project. He also expressed appreciation for assisting with the Dennis project.

Reports: MassDOT Highway Division District 5 Staff will give a status report on existing and planned transportation projects underway across Cape Cod. Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority and Cape Cod Commission staff will report on recent and upcoming activities that staff has participated in.

MR. Kochan gave the following MassDOT updates:

2015 Projects:

- The construction bid opened on 3/15/16 for the intersection improvements at Rte. 28 and Bearses Way in Barnstable and the contract was awarded on 5/9/16. Work will begin after Labor Day
- The resurfacing work on Rte. 6 from Dennis to Harwich was awarded to Lawrence Lynch Corp, a notice to proceed was issued 4/1/16. This includes exits 10 and 11, and exit 10. Construction to begin after Labor Day.

2016 Projects:

- Intersection improvements at Rte. 6A/Main Street and Rte. 28/Main Street in Orleans ROW acquisition process is on-going and will be ready this fiscal year. Need ROW certificate. Project is poised to be advertised this fiscal year.
- 100% design plans were received on March 22, 2016 for the construction of a multi-use path over the Bass River Bridge in Yarmouth and is on schedule.
- Improvements on Rte. 28 from George Ryder Rd to Barn Hill Rd in Chatham are at 100% submission and awaiting revised Right of Way plans. 100% design plans received July 7 and there is a new cost for the project of \$4,483,183. Followed by a discussion asking for an explanation of the increased costs.
- Intersection & signal improvements at Falmouth Rd, Rte. 28 and Strawberry Hill Rd project in Barnstable. 25% design. Design exception needed for absence of 5ft bike accommodating shoulders on both sides, regardless of existence of SUP. Minor Right of Way actions needed and it appears that additional easements are required. Project costs may be increased and require a TIP Amendment.

- 100% design plans submitted on March 30, 2016 for the lighting and landscaping of the roundabout at the mid-cape Highway Rte. 6 eastbound exit ramp & Rte. 149, there are no Right of Way requirements, was advertised last Saturday, May 7th. Contract was awarded to Lawrence Lynch on 6/28/16.
- 25% plans for guide and traffic sign replacement on Rte. 6 from Sandwich to Orleans. Administrator recently briefed Cape Legislative Delegation that the exit numbers shown on new replacement guide signs would not change, possible in the future. Mr. Cannon believes that there is a meeting on July 18 at the CCRTA and will track down the formal notification. Mr. Parsons indicated that the community has inquired about clarifying directional signs and how to approach MassDOT for discussions.

2017 Projects:

- 75% design received 3/4/16 for corridor improvements on Rte. 28 from Dennis Commons Drive to Upper County Rd in Dennis, there are 132 Right of Way actions, project is moving along. ROW Plans received 6/24/16
- 25% design plans submitted for intersection improvements at Rte. 28A and Rte. 151 in Falmouth. MassDOT comments on Right of Way plans sent to Design Engineer 6/26/16. The designer is investigating options to minimize impacts to parking for the Beach House Restaurant on Rte. 151.
- Storm water Best Management Practices will be included in the design for the resurfacing work on Rte. 6 from Harwich to Orleans. Distributed for review 5/27/16. The resurfacing portion is under design by the District.
- MassDOT submitted comments on the revised 25% plans for Rte. 28 & Osterville-West Barnstable Rd in Barnstable. The revised exception report has been approved by the Chief Engineer due to lack of sidewalk.
- The Cape Cod Rail Trail Extension from Station Avenue in Yarmouth to Rte. 132 in Barnstable project is at 25% design. ROW Plans received 6/15/16.

2018 Projects:

- A public hearing was held on February 18, 2016 for the intersection improvements at Rte. 28 and Yarmouth Rd. and the 75% design plans are due late August.
- Intersection improvements & related work at Rte. 6 and Main St. in Wellfleet is at pre 25% design. A road safety audit held on March 30, 2016 and will need revised design schedule for submission of 25% plans which are due Mid-August

2019 Projects:

- The consultant is performing additional data collection and will present alternatives to the town in late winter/early spring, 2016 for Intersection improvements at Rte., 28, Depot Rd, Queen Anne Rd and Crowell Rd in Chatham and is at pre 25% design by Howard Stein Hudson
- Traffic improvements at Belmont Circle at Rte. 6/28/25 Main St in Bourne are at pre-25% design. Bicycle and Pedestrian accommodations are included in this project. The project was originally proposed to be designed inhouse. Due to shifting priorities the project will be designed by a consultant.
- Corridor improvements & related work on Rte. 151 from Mashpee rotary to Falmouth town line are at pre-25% design. Design schedule requested.

Projects waiting for funding

- Dennis/Yarmouth resurfacing on Rte. 6 is a 2016 replacement project, cost may have gone up approx. \$125,000

- Bicycle accommodation improvements on Rte. 6 Wellfleet/Truro is a 2016 replacement project and has been tweaked
- A shared use path off of the Service Rd in Sandwich is at pre 25% design.
- Yarmouth resurfacing on Rte. 28, approved by PRC 6/25/16
- Yarmouth resurfacing on Rte. 6 is pending PRC approval

There was a discussion about rising costs and Mr. Kochan stated that all projects now need to include Healthy Transportation Initiatives.

Mr. Cannon asked that the committee look at the public comments in the packet.

Adjourn

Upon a motion to adjourn the meeting by Edward Gross at 9:45 am, seconded by Neil Andres the vote was passed unanimously.

Documents and Exhibits:

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FFY 2017 Unified Planning Work Program Power Point

FFY 2017 Unified Planning Work Program Document

FFY 2016-2019 TIP Amendment Power Point

2016-2019 TIP Amendment - Cape Cod "Highway" Projects Summary Sheet

FFY 2017-2021 TIP Development, Power Point

FFY 2017-2021 TIP – Cape Cod "Highway" Projects

FFY 2017-2021 TIP Document

Email from Gloria Free dated 6/22 to Glenn Cannon RE: Draft FFY 2016-2019 TIP

Letter from Dr. David E. Burns, dated 6/22 to MPO & Glenn Cannon RE: Draft FFY 2016-2019 TIP