Executive Summary

The Cape Cod Metropolitan Planning Organization’s (MPO) staff work plan known as, the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), lists planning activities anticipated to be performed by MPO staff and others over the next year.

The MPO is made up of eleven voting members with representatives of state agencies, regional organizations, and Cape Cod towns. Discussions at MPO meetings help select planning studies to be included in the UPWP. Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend these meetings and voice opinions.

Contents of the Plan

The Unified Planning Work Program discusses coordination with the federal Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act of 2015 and is organized by a series of tasks and corresponding sub-tasks. Each sub-task includes a scope of work with the following components: objectives, previous work, procedures, products, beneficiary communities, schedule, and funding breakdown.

FY 2021 Tasks

Unified Planning Work Program tasks and sub-tasks are listed below along with the associated funding level for each task.

- Task #1 – Management and Support of the Planning Process and Certification Activities ($185,000)
  - Task 1.1 - Unified Planning Work Program (Certification Activity)
  - Task 1.2 - Transportation Improvement Program (Certification Activity)
  - Task 1.3 - CCJTC and MPO Activities
  - Task 1.4 – Environmental Justice/Title VI
  - Task 1.5 – Public Participation Plan
  - Task 1.6 – Regional Transportation Plan

- Task #2 – Data Collection and Analysis Activities ($218,750)
  - Task 2.1 – Cape Cod Traffic Data Collection Program
  - Task 2.2 – Performance Standards
  - Task 2.3 – Transportation Database Management
  - Task 2.4 – Pavement Management/Stormwater Management
  - Task 2.5 – Healthy Transportation
  - Task 2.6 – Geographic Information System

- Task #3 – Short- And Long-Range Transportation Planning ($246,875)
  - Task 3.1 – Route 28 East Hyannis Corridor Study
  - Task 3.2 – Transportation Safety: RSAs/Route 6 Safety
Task 3.3 – Rail Trail Crossing and Traffic Signal Inventories
Task 3.4 – Managed Retreat Best Practices
Task 3.5 – Follow-Up on Previous Transportation Planning Studies

- Task #4 – Technical Assistance Activities ($133,649)
  - Task 4.1 – Transit Planning
  - Task 4.2 – Support for Passenger Rail Service
  - Task 4.3 – Transit Data Collection and Analysis
  - Task 4.4 – Other Technical Assistance Requests

The Unified Planning Work Program also includes other transportation planning activities such as those directly funded by the Cape Cod Commission and the Cape Cod Canal Transportation Study currently underway by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT). Finally, the UPWP includes a detailed breakdown of funding source and dollar amount for each sub-task.

How to get involved

The Cape Cod MPO voted to release the draft UPWP for the public review/comment period at their 1:00 PM virtual meeting on April 27, 2020, officially beginning the 21-calendar-day public comment period.

Online public comment opportunities for this plan were held on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at 5:30 PM and Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 10:00 AM. These meetings featured a short presentation on the document followed by an opportunity for public comments. A virtual public meeting of the Cape Cod MPO is scheduled for Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at 1 PM to hear additional public comments and consider endorsement of this document. Details on the online public comment opportunities and the virtual public meeting available at www.capecodcommission.org/mpo

Comments on this plan were accepted through May 18, 2020 via mail, by facsimile, or via e-mail, as follows:

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