



## Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission

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### Minutes of the SNHPC MPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

**August 19, 2021**

Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission  
438 Dubuque Street  
Manchester, New Hampshire

#### **VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT**

Colleen Mailloux (Chair) – Londonderry  
Kristen Clarke – Manchester DPW  
Jonathan Golden – Manchester Planning  
Andrew Hadik – Chester  
Jillian Harris – Bedford\*  
Linda Kunhardt – Francestown  
Nancy Michels – GMCC/GDLC  
Derek Monson – Windham\*  
George Sioras – Derry  
Mark Suennen – New Boston  
Sylvia von Aulock – SNHPC  
William Rose – NHDOT  
Tim White – NHDES\*

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Dean Williams – CNHRPC\*  
Steve Workman – TransportNH

#### **SNHPC STAFF PRESENT**

Monique Duchesne, Assistant Planner\*  
Carl Eppich, Principal Transportation Planner\*  
Adam Hlasny, Senior Transportation Planner\*  
Nate Miller, Deputy Executive Director  
Cam Prolman, Regional Planner\*  
Zach Swick, Senior GIS Analyst\*  
James Vayo, Project Manager\*

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Tom Clow – Weare  
Jo Ann Duffy – Goffstown  
Bill Herman – Auburn  
Laurie Makarawicz – CART  
Tom Malafronte – MHT Airport  
Dick Snow – Candia  
Mike Whitten – MTA

#### **MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Fred Roberge – Easterseals NH  
Bruce Thomas – Hooksett

\*Attended meeting via Zoom

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#### **1. Call to Order/Introductions**

Chair Colleen Mailloux called the meeting of the SNHPC TAC to order at 9:32 AM.

**Motion by Ms. Linda Kunhardt to allow Zoom participants to vote, seconded by Mr. Andrew Hadik and carried unanimously.**

#### **2. Action on Minutes of July 15, 2021**

**Motion by Mr. Hadik to approve July minutes, seconded by Mr. George Sioras and carried unanimously with Mr. Derek Monson abstaining.**

#### **3.1 FY 2023-2032 Ten-Year Plan Update**

Mr. William Rose of NHDOT gave a presentation highlighting elements of the pending FY 2023-2032 Ten-Year Plan and reviewing the discussion held at the July Governor's Advisory Commission on Intermodal Transportation (GACIT) meeting. He noted that things have been delayed due to the uncertain nature of transportation funding at the federal level. He said that if New Hampshire receives additional federal funding, some existing projects will likely be accelerated to make room for new projects in the plan.

Turnpike projects, including Manchester I-293 Exit 6/7, have been delayed due to a decrease in Turnpike revenue from less travel during the pandemic.

The next GACIT meeting is scheduled for September 1, 2021, at which NHDOT will:

- Present draft TYP outcomes;
- Review logistics and content of fall hearing presentations; and
- Review online virtual public involvement survey.

Ms. Sylvia von Aulock noted that there were IT issues at the first GACIT meeting that made it difficult for Zoom participants to hear and see properly. Mr. Rose replied that NHDOT is having an extensive and ongoing conversation about how to mitigate these issues. He added that hybrid GACIT meetings are under consideration and NHDOT will work with the Executive Councilors to determine the best way forward in each district.

In response to a question from Mr. Nate Miller, Mr. Rose said that details will be expanding on the corridor study program and how candidates are selected as part of this GACIT process.

Mr. Rose explained the difference between apportionment and obligation, noting that the amount of federal funding allotted to New Hampshire is greater than the amount the State is actually authorized to spend. He added that there is a redistribution process for unspent federal transportation funds. New Hampshire tends to benefit by gaining funds each year through that process.

Mr. Rose said that the Ten-Year Plan will include TAP projects.

In response to a question from Mr. James Vayo, Mr. Rose said that Park and Rides are often funded through CMAQ funds.

### **3.2 Overview of Statewide Mobility Management Initiative**

Mr. Steve Workman of Transport NH gave an overview/status update of Mobility Management in New Hampshire. Some key points included:

- There is a \$3 million grant through received by NHDHHS from the CDC, a portion of which will be used to develop a network of Mobility Managers (MM) in the rural regions (1-5).
- While urban RCCs (7, 8, 10) will not have access to these funds, \$180,000 in additional funding will be coming (via supplemental FTA funding available to NHDOT) to supplement the existing regional allotment to ensure these regions also have \$120,000 each to hire full time MMs.
- There are two years of secured funding to implement the Regional MM project and prove a return on investment to potentially continue/expand the MM network into the future.
- For the Statewide MM role, NHDOT is leaning toward contracting with RLS, a consulting firm which currently has the Rural Transit Assistance Program (RTAP) contract.
- Transport NH will fill the administrative role on behalf of NHDHHS and the SCC.
- Transport NH has been working on project ideas re: data, advocacy, and communication.
- Some concern has been expressed at the SCC level about not knowing full project details. Steve used the analogy of “building the airplane as we’re flying it.”
- There will still be bumps in the road moving forward. For instance, the effectiveness of an out-of-state consultant was questioned, especially since the MM position is largely about building relationships with local stakeholders.

- Community transportation colleagues across the country are watching this project, as it is important on many levels including the cooperation of multiple state agencies on braided funding streams.

In response to a question from Ms. Kunhardt, Mr. Workman explained that the Ten-Year Plan funding for Mobility Management is subject to re-evaluation after two years but that portion of the funding should be stable. The CDC grant is limited to two years, which underscores the importance of making a case for why the Mobility Management network should be supported.

### **3.3 Regional Freight Bottleneck Analysis**

This agenda item was tabled due to lack of time, and will be revisited at the September 16, 2021 TAC meeting.

### **4. Other Business**


Ms. von Aulock called for future topic requests. Mr. Mark Suennen asked if there could be a workshop on “how to write a good TAP application” prior to the next TAP funding round.

### **5. Adjournment**

**The meeting stood at 10:54 am.**

Next meeting: September 16, 2021

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Technical Advisory Committee of the Southern NH Planning Commission for August 19, 2021.

  
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Sylvia von Aulock  
Executive Director

Minutes Approved: September 16, 2021