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SNHPC MPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

October 20, 2022

Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission/Zoom

**VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT**

Kristen Clarke – Manchester DPW  
**Jonathan Golden – Manchester Planning**  
Andrew Hadik – Chester  
**Jillian Harris – Bedford**  
**Linda Kunhardt – Franconia**  
**Nancy Michels – Derry/Londonderry CoC**  
**Fred Roberge – Easterseals**  
Mark Suennen – New Boston  
**Sylvia von Aulock – SNHPC**  
Kellie Walsh – Londonderry  
Linda Wescott – NHDOT  
Tim White – NHDES  
**Tracey Whitehead – CART**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**Tom Jameson – NHDOT**  
Leigh Levine – FHWA NH  
Craig Tufts – CNHRPC  
Jessica Wilcox – NHDES

**SNHPC STAFF PRESENT**

**Nate Miller, Deputy Executive Director**  
**Carl Eppich, Pr. Transportation Planner**  
**Ben Herbert, Mobility Manager**  
**Adam Hlasny, Sr. Transportation Planner**  
Kevin Lawson, Assistant Planner  
**Zach Swick, Senior GIS Analyst**  
Tammy Zamoyski, Regional Planner

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Tom Clow – Weare  
Jo Ann Duffy – Goffstown  
Tom Malafronte – MHT Airport  
Steve Rollins – Deerfield  
Bruce Thomas, Chair – Hooksett

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Cole Riel – Greater Manchester CoC  
George Sioras – Derry  
Mike Whitten – MTA

**BOLD** indicates in-person attendance

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**1. Call to Order/Introductions**

There was not an in-person quorum. A gathering of members present began at 9:33 AM.

**2. Review of meeting notes of September 15, 2022**

This item was tabled due to lack of a quorum.

**3.1 NHDOT CMAQ Solicitation**

NHDOT Project Manager Tom Jameson gave an overview of the current CMAQ funding opportunity and timeline. He noted that the CMAQ solicitation will be aligning with the Ten-Year

Plan process, and \$30 million is available for the four-year cycle. The maximum project cost is \$3 million (\$2.4 million federal share), with a 20% match requirement.

- In response to a question from Mr. Nate Miller, Mr. Jameson said that bicycle/pedestrian projects must have a demonstrable commuting element or connection to be eligible.
- In response to a question from Ms. Sylvia von Aulock, Mr. Jameson noted that the individual submitting the Letter of Interest (LOI) needn't be the same individual to attend the required NHDOT CMAQ workshop.
- In response to a question from Ms. von Aulock, Mr. Jameson said that most criteria from the last CMAQ round will be the same, but the criteria have not yet been finalized or approved. It is anticipated that this will happen by the end of October.
- In response to a question from Mr. Jonathan Golden, Mr. Jameson said that it is possible to complement other federal funds with CMAQ funds, as long as the activity is eligible, and that federal funds are not being matched with federal funds.
- In response to a question from Mr. Tim White, Mr. Jameson said it has not yet been determined whether there will be a meeting of the CMAQ Advisory Committee.
- In response to a question from Mr. Mark Suennen, Mr. Jameson advised a community to choose its top project to focus on in its LOI, but other projects can be mentioned as well. He added that aligning TAP and CMAQ with Ten-Year Plan cycles will mean that CMAQ rounds will happen every four years, staggered with TAP rounds.
- In response to a question from Ms. Jessica Wilcox, Mr. Jameson said that private businesses may apply for CMAQ funding as long as federal rules are followed.
- In response to a question from Mr. Miller, Mr. Jameson said that capital costs of micromobility programs (i.e. bike/scooter share equipment) may be eligible depending on the specifics of a potential application.
- In response to another question from Mr. Miller, Mr. Jameson said that questions for transit-related projects should be directed to Mr. Fred Butler of the Bureau of Rail and Transit.

### **3.2 FY 2025-2034 Ten-Year Plan**

Mr. Miller presented the seven proposed Ten-Year Plan projects, providing updates about their engineering evaluation and the next steps in the Ten-Year Plan process.

- Bedford – NH 101 Safety Improvements from Wallace Road to the Amherst Town Line
- Bedford –NH 101 Multi-use Path from Wallace Road to the Amherst Town Line
- Deerfield – Convert Intersection of NH 107/Candia Road/Church Street to a Roundabout

- Londonderry – Increase Capacity on NH 28 from Symmes Dr/Vista Ridge Dr to the Intersection of NH 128
- Londonderry – Construct Phase 7 of the Londonderry Rail Trail from NH 28 to the Derry Town Line
- Manchester – I-93 Exit 8/Wellington Road Interchange Improvements
- Windham – Improve the Windham Greenway from Meetinghouse/Old Mill Road to the Westerly ROW of I-93
- Mr. Zach Swick pointed out that the Windham Greenway also provides connectivity to the Windham Rail Trail in the Granite State Rail Trail corridor.
- In response to a question from Mr. Suennen about inflation, Mr. Miller said that the initial submission will be based on 2.8%, but this may rise significantly.
- Mr. Miller said that Messrs. Sioras, Suennen, and Kunhardt have volunteered to serve on the Ten-Year Plan Evaluation Subcommittee, as they hail from towns without projects in this submission cycle.
- Mr. Miller noted that SNHPC is still actively working with VHB and communities to evaluate the proposed projects and consider scope changes or phasing possibilities to better conform to the available regional allocation.
- Mr. Miller noted that the Evaluation Subcommittee will be evaluating the proposed projects and submitting initial priorities to NHDOT by November 10, 2022. Final priorities are not due until March 31, 2023.
- Mr. Suennen disclosed that he is a VHB employee but that he had nothing to do with the project cost estimates. TAC members expressed no reservations about any potential conflict of interest.

#### **4. Other Business**

Mr. Ben Herbert gave a Mobility Manager update, describing the work he has accomplished since onboarding in August.

Mr. Miller announced that Commissioner Victoria Sheehan will be leaving NHDOT after seven years of service to lead the Transportation Research Board in Washington DC. Mr. Miller thanked Commissioner Sheehan for her support of the SNHPC.

#### **5. Adjournment**

**The gathering of those present stood adjourned at 10:55 am.**

Next meeting: November 17, 2022

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the notes of the Technical Advisory Committee of the Southern NH Planning Commission for October 20, 2022.

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Sylvia von Aulock  
Executive Director

Minutes Approved:

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