

Notice of Public Meeting

A notice is hereby given of the availability of the following documents/materials for public review and comment by decision makers, stakeholders, and the general public:

Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #3

What is the TIP? The CMMPO TIP lists the highway and transit projects in the CMMPO region that are programmed to receive federal funds during these fiscal years. The 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #3 calls for changes to FFY 2024 of the highway & transit project listings. These changes are:

<u>Highway</u>

- Remove project 610535 Worcester Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements on Pleasant Street from FFY 2024.
- Decrease statewide funding for Project 602659 Charlton-Oxford Reconstruction on Route 20, from Richardson's Corner Easterly to Route 12, Includes Rehab of C-06-023 & Replacement of O-06-002 in FFY 2024.
 - Statewide CMAQ funding reduced to \$123,655
 - Statewide HSIP funding reduced to \$0
 - Statewide NHPP funding reduced to \$7,956,218
 - Statewide STBG funding reduced to \$0

Transit – Add Community Transit Grant Program Awards Projects

- Add project WRTA011658 Shrewsbury: Town of Shrewsbury CTGP Shrewsbury Operating to FFY 2024 for a total project cost of \$25,000.
- Add project WRTA011661 Holden: WRTA-Holden to Worcester Extended Service Hours to FFY 2024 for a total project cost of \$20,000.
- Add project WRTA011686 Town of Rutland Rutland Extended Transportation to FFY 2024 for a total of \$75,477.
- Add project WRTA011687 WRTA SCM Elderbus READYBUS Service to FFY 2024 for a total of \$70,000.
- Add project **WRTA011688 WRTA SCM Elderbus Midday Shuttle** to FFY 2024 for a total of \$34,000.

Summary materials pertaining to the above listed items are available at <u>www.cmrpc.org</u> or by request from the CMRPC Offices.

There will be opportunities for the public to comment on the Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #3 during the virtual ZOOM meeting listed below:

Monday, February 5, 2024 at 5:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82140372006?pwd=UFZ0VHNFeGZkaUd0SEg0cXVaS1FhUT09

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<u>All comments forwarded to Kevin Krasnecky at kkrasnecky@cmrpc.org and received before</u> Wednesday, February 7, 2024 at 4:30 PM will be fully considered.

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The Worcester Regional Transit Authority (WRTA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 (c) grant applicant, a member of the CMMPO, states that the public involvement process adopted for the development of the TIP satisfies the public hearing requirements that pertain to the development of the Program of Projects for regular Section 5307, Urbanized Area Formula Program, grant applications including the provision for public notice and the time established for public review and comment.

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Chinese (Traditional):

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Virtual Public Meeting to Discuss the Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #3

Date: Monday, February 5, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM

Place: This meeting will be held virtually through ZOOM. Connection details are available at the bottom of the agenda and on the CMRPC website calendar at <u>https://www.cmrpc.org/proposed-2024-2028-tip-amendment-3-public-meeting</u>

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order & Around the Room Introductions
- 2. Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #3
 - TIP Amendment #3 Overview
 - Acceptance of Public Comment & Input
- 3. Adjournment

Please Note: All comments on the Proposed 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #3 should be forwarded to Kevin Krasnecky at <u>kkrasnecky@cmrpc.org</u> prior to the CMMPO-established deadline of 4:30 PM on **Wednesday**, **February 7, 2024**.

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