



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, July 24, 2018, 6:30 p.m.

Central VT Chamber of Commerce, Paine Turnpike North, Berlin, VT

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Note
Change of
Location

6:15 pm - Social & Pizza

*Action Item

Page **AGENDA**

6:30 Introductions

Adjustments to the Agenda

Public Comments

2 6:35 Approve June 26th TAC Minutes (enclosed)*

5 6:40 Presentation on VTrans Long Range Transportation Plan

6 7:40 Update from GMT on Ridership in Central Vermont and NextGen Plan

8:10 TAC Member Concerns

Roundtable for any issues, questions, and town updates from TAC members.

8:29 Set Agenda for the Future TAC Meeting

8:30 Adjourn

Future TAC Meeting Agendas

Below is a preview of upcoming TAC meeting agendas for consideration by the TAC.

August

- **NO MEETING**

September 25th

- **TAC Field Trip**

**CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)**

DRAFT Minutes

June 26, 2018

Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission Office

Attendees:

	Barre City: Scott Bascom		Northfield: Jeff Schultz
	Barre Town: Harry Hinrichsen	X	Orange: Lee Cattaneo
X	Berlin: Robert Wernecke, Vice- Chair	X	Plainfield: Bob Atchinson
	Cabot: Karen Deasy	X	Roxbury: Gerry D’Amico
X	Calais: David Ellenbogen	X	Waitsfield: Don La Haye
X	Duxbury: Alan Quackenbush		Warren: Jim Sanford
	East Montpelier: Frank Pratt		Washington: Vacant
X	Fayston: Kevin Russell	X	Waterbury: Steve Lotspeich, Chair
	Marshfield: Vacant		Williamstown: Vacant
X	Middlesex: Ronald Krauth		Woodbury: Vacant
X	Montpelier: Dona Bate		Worcester: Bill Arrand
X	Moretown: Joyce Manchester	X	Staff: Daniel Currier, Pam DeAndrea

Guests: Zoe Nederland (VTrans), Karen Bates (DEC Basin Planner)

Steve Lotspeich called the meeting to order at 6:35pm. Introductions were completed.

Adjustments to the Agenda:

There were no adjustments to the agenda.

Public Comments:

There were no public comment

Approval of May TAC Minutes:

TAC members made one change the to the May minutes. R. Wernecke motioned to accept the minutes as corrected L. Cattaneo seconded that motion. The motion passed.

Presentation on Winooski Basin Plan

Karen Bates VT ANR DEC Basin Planner and Pam DeAdrea CVRPC staff presented on the draft Winooski River Tactical Basin Plan. This presentation was an opportunity for the TAC to learn about the Plan and how transportation is being included. Staff has begun an initial review and will be presenting comments to the Clean Water Advisory Committee and Regional Planning Committee for modification before final recommendations are provided to the Commission. The Board of Commissioners will submit final comments and a determination of compliance with the Regional Plan to VT DEC. The compliance

determination will be completed this fall. The full, 197-page document is posted at <http://centralvtplanning.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/03/Basin8draftplanRPCreview.pdf>.

Karen discussed how The Plan helps to protect the best and plan for the rest. The major objectives of the plan include Restoration, Protection and allocations for the Lake Champlain TMDL. She discussed the specifics of the Municipal Roads General Permit (MRGP) and the required transportation infrastructure improvements that the permit includes. TAC members discussed the requirements to fix gully erosions on Class 4 roads and how that requirement may not match the Town responsibility to only minimal maintain those roads. It was suggest that additional outreach and clarification on this topic needs to occur to help towns understand their resonsabilites on class 4 roads.

The TAC also discussed private roads and how more outreach needs to occur to help address runoff from private roads and driveways that is directed onto the town roads. Karen also talk about how the Plan highlights the high quality water sheds that support Brook Trout.

Additional comments on the Tactical Basin Plan can be email to Karen Bates Karen.Bates@vermont.gov or Pam DeAndrea deandrea@cvregion.com

Review of TPI Work Program and Budget

Staff presented to the TAC the Draft FY 19 Transportation Planning Initiative (TPI) work program and budget. The work program and budget reflect the updated VTrans guidance on eligible tasks and include the following changes from the FY18 work program and budget:

Task 1 – Program Administration: No changes to tasks.

Task 2 – Public Participation and Coordination: No changes to tasks.

Task 3 – Long Range Planning: No changes to tasks.

Task 4 – Short Range Planning: two new tasks have been added.

- Town Highway Major Collector HPMS & Model Inventory of Roadway Elements (MIRE) Data Programs, and
- Dedicated On-Road Bicycle Facility Data Collection

Task 5 – Project Development Planning: No change to tasks.

Task 6 – Other Planning Activities: Provide Vermont Online Bridge and Culvert Inventory Tool technical support to RPCs and municipalities

Staff next reviewed the budget which includes the same based funding amount as FY18 (\$226,361) plus \$2,999 for providing support to RPCs and municipalities on using VTCulvert.org for a total budget of \$229,360. The summary of budget amounts by task are as follows:

Task	Task Description	Agreement Amount
Task 1	Program Administration	\$16,278
Task 2	Public Participation and Coordination	\$49,148
Task 3	Long Range Transportation Planning	\$57,685
Task 4	Short Range Transportation Planning	\$89,359
Task 5	Project Development Planning	\$13,890
Task 6	VOBCIT Technical Support	\$2,999

Total	\$229,360
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TAC discussed both the work program and budget. G, D’Amico motioned to accept the work program and budget as presented. L. Cattaneo seconded the motion and the motion passed.

TAC Member Concerns

J. Manchester TAC member from Moretown shared two concerns with the TAC:

1. Speeding again on Route 2 near Gallagher Acres
2. Need signage from VTRANS on Route 100B near the Maynard Snack Bar to slow traffic because senior citizens frequently cross the road

The TAC discussed both of these concerns and provided some insight for Joyce to share with the Moretown Selectboard. Dan will follow up with Joyce to find out how the meeting went and if the town needs any help talk with VTrans about these concerns.

TAC Members also discussed the parking and pedestrian markings near Maxie’s restaurant in Waterbury.

Set Agenda for July

- Presentation on VTrans Long Range Transportation Plan
- Update from GMT on Ridership and the phasing of the NextGen Plan in Central Vermont

Adjourn:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.



MEMO

Date: 7/24/18

To: Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

From: Daniel Currier, Program Manager

Re: Presentation on VTrans Long Range Transportation Plan

☒ **ACTION REQUESTED:** No action requested.

David Pelletier from VTrans will be presented to the TAC on the Draft Long Range Transportation Plan. This is the 2nd time Dave has attended and presented to the TAC on this Plan. The Plan represents VTrans 20 year vision for Vermont's transportation network.

The draft plan can be found here - <http://vtrans.vermont.gov/planning/long-range-plan>

Background

Vermont's **Long-Range Transportation Plan** (LRTP) is the State's blueprint for guiding transportation decision-making and investments over the next 20 years. All Vermonters have a stake in the transportation system's continued development - which may look very different over the course of 20 years.

The growth of new technologies such as autonomous vehicles and 5G cellular networks, demographic changes in the form of an aging population, and evolving changes to the state's primarily services-based economy may require thinking differently about how we plan, build, and manage our transportation system and investments. While maintaining our highways and bridges, public transit, railways, and airports will continue to be major focus areas moving forward, we are likely to focus more on the operational part of our transportation system, such as information systems, signals, and automated message boards and other technology solutions.



MEMO

Date: 7/24/18

To: Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

From: Daniel Currier, Program Manager

Re: Update from GMT on Ridership in Central Vermont and NextGen Plan

☒ ACTION REQUESTED: No action requested.

Rachel Kennedy from Green Mountain Transit will be presented to the TAC on the latest bus ridership numbers in Central Vermont. She will highlight which if any of our routes are under performing. Rachel will also provide an update on the NextGen Plan and the GMT Board's approved Service Improvement Recommendations along with the creation of the Implementation Plan for these service improvements.

Background:

The Nextgen Comprehensive Service Analysis (CSA) kicked off in September 2017 with the first project presentation to the GMT Board on February 21, 2017. GMT contracted with Nelson Nygaard who created the below documents, and was guided by a project Advisory Committee composed of GMT Board Members, Regional Planning Commission (RPC) staff and the Vermont Agency of Transportation (Vtrans).

Nextgen Documents:

- Project Timeline
- Public Involvement Plan
- Paratransit Services Review
- Review of Previous Plans & Studies
- Service Guidelines Document
- Market Analysis
- Route Profiles
- Fare Analysis
- Service Improvement Recommendations

Visit <http://ridegmt.com/nextgen> for more information on the Next Generation Plan and to download the study documents.