



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 23, 2021, 6:30 p.m.

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*Action Item

AGENDA

- 6:30** **Introductions**
 Adjustments to the Agenda
 Public Comments
- 6:35** **Approve February TAC Minutes** (enclosed)*
- 6:40** **Meet and Greet Christian Meyer**
 New Senior Transportation Planner!
- 6:55** **Vermont Project Selection and Prioritization Process (VPSP2) walk through** (enclosed)
 VTrans and RPCs will be utilizing the new project selection and prioritization process this year. Ashley will walk through the initial process and look at the initial projects (Roadway, Traffic and Safety and Paving projects only. Bridges will be next year).
- 7:55** **TAC Member Concerns** - Roundtable for any issues, questions, and town updates from TAC members.
- 8:00** **Next TAC Meeting April 27th**
- 8:15** **Adjourn**

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CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)
Minutes
February 23, 2021

Attendees:

x	Barre City: Scott Bascom		Northfield: Jeff Shultz
x	Barre Town Alt: Sebastian Arduengo	x	Orange: Lee Cattaneo
x	Berlin: Robert Wernecke, Vice-Chair	x	Plainfield: Bob Atchinson
	Cabot: John Cookson	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	x	Washington: Peter Carbee
	Fayston: Matt Lillard	x	Waterbury: Steve Lotspeich, Chair
x	Marshfield: Robin Schunk	x	Williamstown: Rich Turner
x	Middlesex: Ronald Krauth		Woodbury: Vacant
	Montpelier: Dona Bate	x	Worcester: Bill Arrand
x	Moretown: Joyce Manchester		

Staff: Ashley Andrews, Clare Rock

Guest: Zoe Neaderland, VTrans; Jamie Smith, GMT, Janice Ohlsson, Town of Calais; Tom Badowski, Town of Berlin; Jon Ignatoswski, and Bonnie Donahue, Town of Northfield

Chair S. Lotspeich called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm. Quorum was present. Introductions were completed.

Adjustments to the Agenda

No Adjustments to the Agenda

Public Comments

No Adjustments to the Agenda

Review of Draft January Minutes

*B. Atchinson motioned to approve the minutes as is; R. Turner seconded. **Motion carried.***

TPI Funded Special Projects

The committee heard presentations from the Town of Berlin on its Sidewalk Master Plan, Green Mountain Transit on their Transit Strategic Plan, CVRPC on their Trail Connection Master Plan, from the Town of Calais on their East Calais Village Walkability Study, and from the Town of

1 Northfield, on their Northfield Ridge and River Routes Implementation Plan.

2 The TAC prioritized the projects after some lively debate, and decided to award funds to the
3 Northfield Ridge and River Routes Implementation Plan.

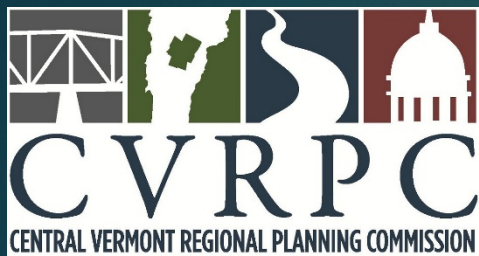
4 *R. Krauth made a motion to prioritize Northfield Ridge and River Routes Implementation Plan and*
5 *S. Bascom seconded. **Motion carried***

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7 **TAC Member Concerns**

8 No Concerns at this time.

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10 **Adjourn**

11 *D. La Haye moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 pm; B. Arrand seconded. **Motion carried.***



CVRPC VPSP2 2021

**paving, roadway &
traffic & safety projects**

ASHLEY ANDREWS, GPLANNER

VPSP2 Vision

Develop a performance-based, data driven project selection & prioritization framework that maximizes the “**transportation value**” delivered to Vermont taxpayers.

VPSP2 OBJECTIVES

- ❑ Identify and utilize criteria that provide “transportation value” within potential and planned VTrans projects.
- ❑ Develop a mechanism for RPC and communities to provide input in the selection and prioritization of transportation projects.
- ❑ Provide a defined, consistent, and transparent process for selecting and prioritizing the projects that ultimately make up VTrans’ Capital Program

Project Development Phases

VTRANS CAPITAL PROGRAM PROJECT STATUS

In order for VTrans to spend funds on a project it must be listed in the Transportation Capital Program. VTrans submits a Capital Program to the Legislature each year and the Legislature must approve the list in order for projects to advance. The Capital Program categorizes projects according to the following status:

Candidate – A project gets on the Candidate list after it has completed the planning process, has been proposed by TAC and has been accepted by VTrans.

Development & Evaluation (D&E) – A project moves from the Candidate list to the Development & Evaluation list if preliminary plans are expected within 12 to 24 months. Undergoes project definition.

Front-of-the-Book (FOB) – Front-of-the-Book projects are part of VTrans four-year program. A project moves from the Development & Evaluation list to Front-of-the-Book when it has completed preliminary plan development.



Quick Glance at Capital Projects

REFER TO EXISTING PROJECTS ATTACHMENT

TAC DOES NOT HAVE TO RANK/PRIORITIZE THESE PROJECTS

**POTENTIAL
PROJECTS
150% LIST**



**List of
Capital
Projects**



VPSP2 Focus

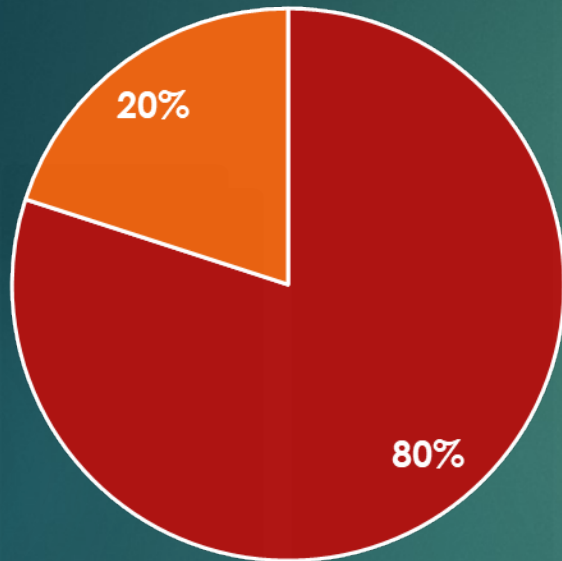
project delivery
schedule



Evaluation Criteria

Previous Prioritization

■ VTrans (Engineering) ■ RPC (Community)



System Preservation, Safety, Energy/Multi-modalism, Economic Development, Social/Cultural Importance, Alternate Routes, Flood Vulnerability, Miscellanea

VPSP2

Safety 20

Resiliency 10

**Asset
Condition 20**

**Environmental
10**

**Mobility/
Connectivity
15**

Regional 10

**Economic
Access 10**

**Health
Access 5**

Transportation Value 100

Regional Criteria

R1. Is the project, or the driving need for the project identified in a regional plan (corridor study, town/city plan) or does project support goals identified in regional plan?

R2. Has town been involved in planning (scoping, traffic, feasibility) study or public planning process related to this need/project? Has town demonstrated support in other ways?

R3. Will project improve town's sense of community (e.g. public space)? Does project provide opportunities for residents to connect to community resources?

R4. Are there key community buildings located within limits of the project (schools, senior centers, parks, churches, libraries, municipal buildings)?



REGIONAL PLANS / TOWN PLANS CAN BE MORE STRATEGIC ON POLICIES



**POTENTIAL
PROJECTS
150% LIST**

List generated from
VTrans Asset
Management System –
hence Asset Driven
projects

RPCs and TACs are tasked to review this
list, evaluate the 3 criteria scores and
update preliminary transportation value



Potential Paving Projects Asset Driven

ALPHABETICALLY LISTED

1. Barre- East Montpelier VT14

► Paving VT 14 from ETE 50.19 to ETE 55.26 =5 miles

► Weighted AADT – 4889

Safety: 12

Resiliency: 8

Asset: 15

Environmental: 7

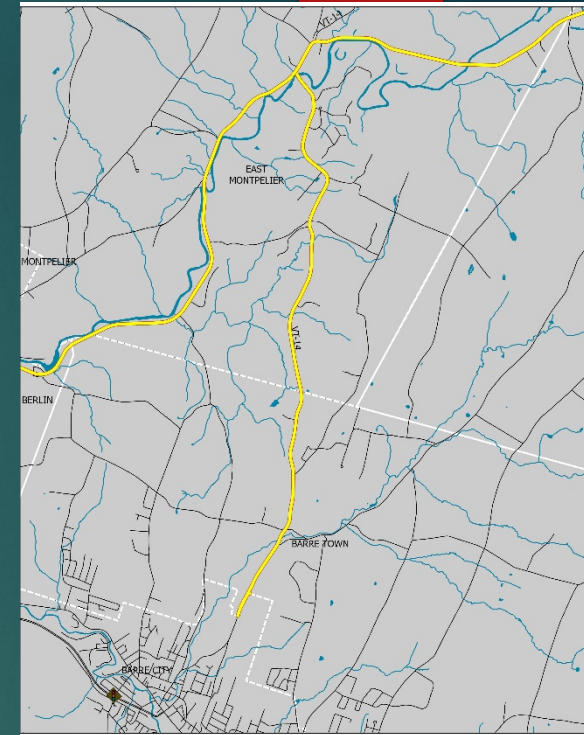
Mobility/Accessibility: 2

Regional: 0

Economic Access: 2

Health Access: 0

PRELIMINARY TRANSPORTATION VALUE: 54



2. Bradford-Orange VT25

- ▶ Reclaim VT 25 from ETE 6.51 to ETE 17.74 = 11 miles
- ▶ Weighted AADT – 2216

Safety: 5

Resiliency: 8

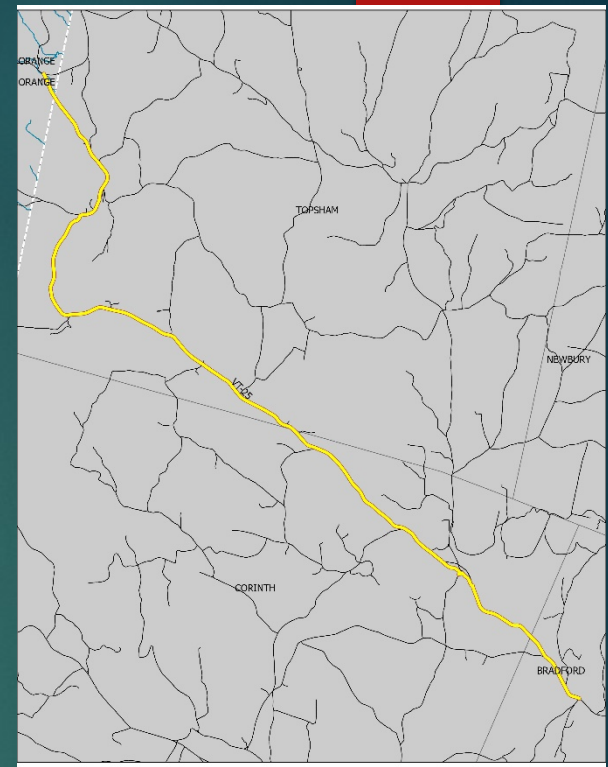
Asset: 12

Environmental: 10

Mobility/Accessibility: 2 Regional: 0

Economic Access: 1 Health Access: 0

PRELIMINARY TRANSPORTATION VALUE: 43



3. Chelsea-Washington VT 110

- ▶ Paving VT 110 from ETE 13 to ETE 22 = 9 miles
- ▶ Weighted AADT – 957

Safety: 3

Resiliency: 10

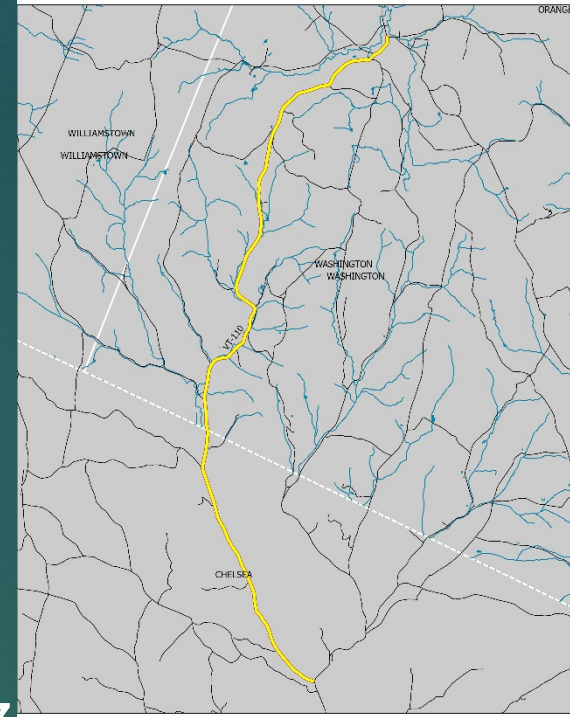
Asset: 12

Environmental: 7

Mobility/Accessibility: 2 Regional: 0

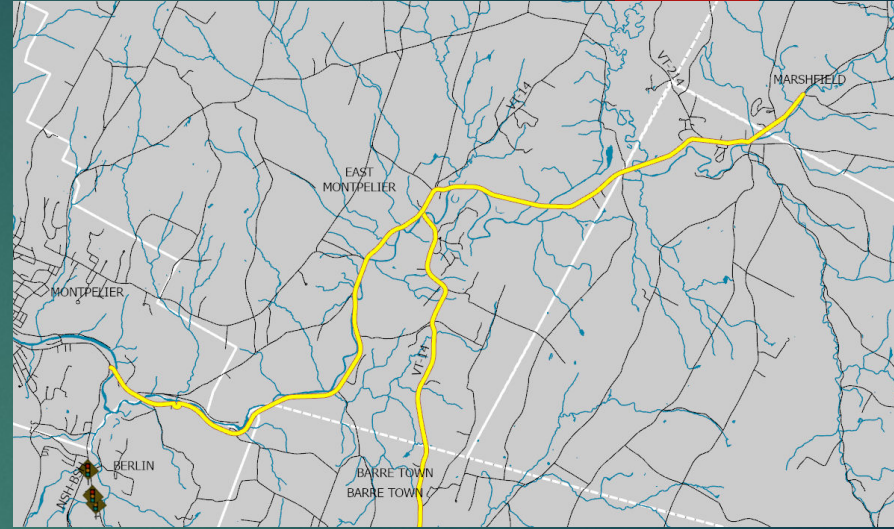
Economic Access: 8 Health Access: 0

PRELIMINARY TRANSPORTATION VALUE: 42



4. Montpelier-Marshfield US2

- ▶ Paving US2 ETE 78.95- 86.87
- ▶ =8 miles
- ▶ Weighted AADT – 8267



Safety: 3

Asset: 17

Mobility/Accessibility: 4

Economic Access: 10

Resiliency: 8

Environmental: 10

Regional: 0

Health Access: 5

PRELIMINARY TRANSPORTATION VALUE: 57

5. Northfield-Williamstown VT64

- ▶ Reclaim VT 64 from ETE 3.16 to 6.77 = 3.5 miles
- ▶ Weighted on AADT – 2675

Safety: 5

Resiliency: 6

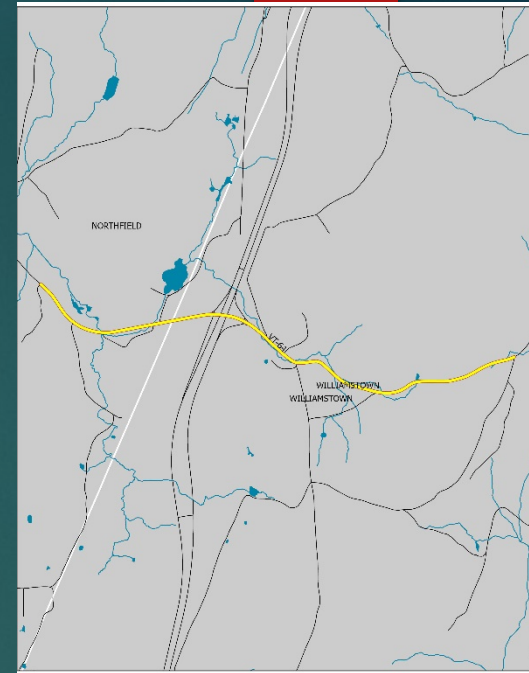
Asset: 12

Environmental: 10

Mobility/Accessibility: 4 Regional: 0

Economic Access: 8 Health Access: 5

PRELIMINARY TRANSPORTATION VALUE: 50



6. Peacham-Marshfield VT232

► Paving VT232 from ETE 7.38 to ETE 13.55 =6 miles

► Weighted AADT – 734

Safety: 3

Resiliency: 2

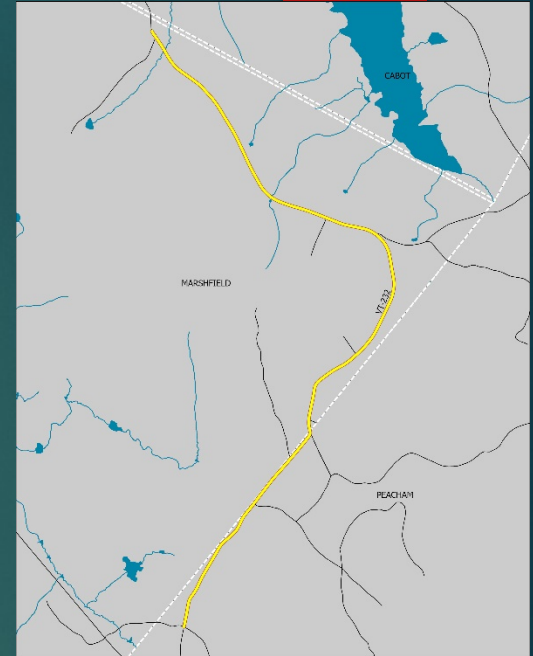
Asset: 12

Environmental: 7

Mobility/Accessibility: 2 Regional: 0

Economic Access: 8 Health Access: 0

PRELIMINARY TRANSPORTATION VALUE: 34



7. Waitsfield-Moretown VT100

- ▶ Paving Waitsfield to Moretown VT 100 Ete 129-142.93 =13 miles
- ▶ Weighted AADT – 4488

Safety: 6

Resiliency: 8

Asset: 15

Environmental: 10

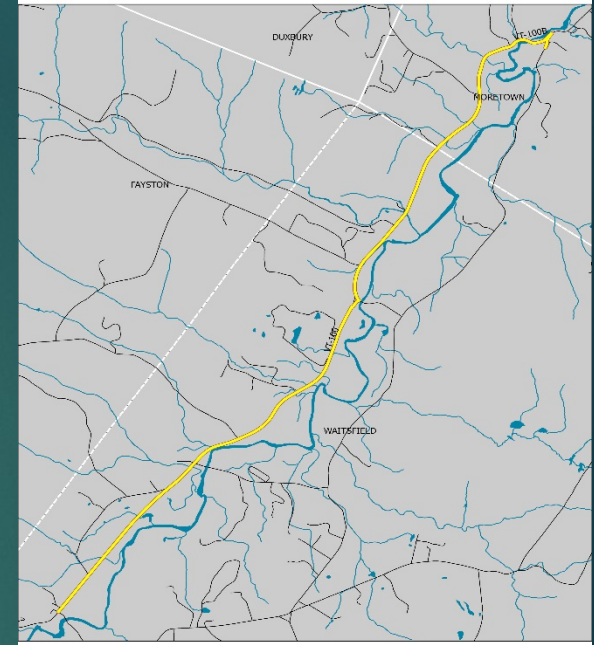
Mobility/Accessibility: 4

Regional: 0

Economic Access: 10

Health Access: 5

PRELIMINARY TRANSPORTATION VALUE: 58



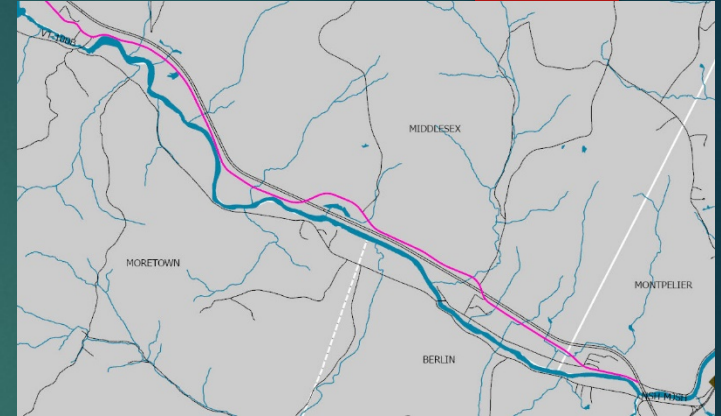


Potential Roadway Projects Asset Driven

ALPHABETICALLY LISTED

1. Middlesex-Montpelier US2

- ▶ 4.5 miles – slab removal work
- ▶ Weighted AADT – 5527



Safety: 5

Resiliency: 6

Asset: 12

Environmental: 7

Mobility/Accessibility: 4

Regional: 0

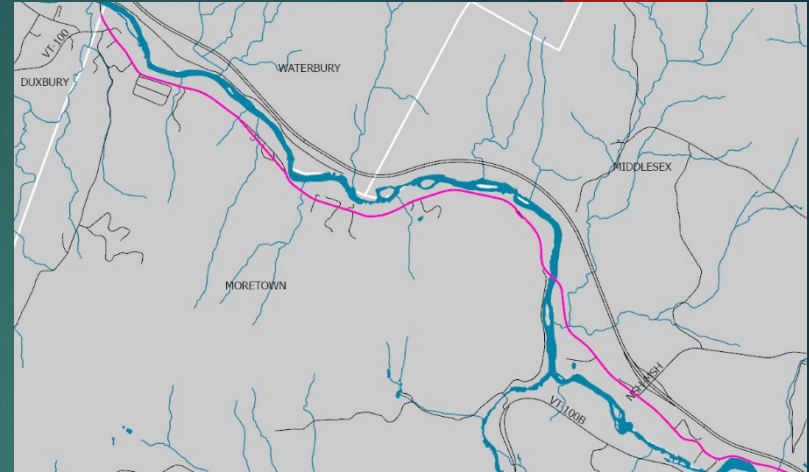
Economic Access: 10

Health Access: 5

PRELIMINARY TRANSPORTATION VALUE: 49

2. Moretown-Middlesex US2

- ▶ Slab removal ETE 65.53-4.475
- ▶ 4.5 miles
- ▶ Weighted AADT – 4949



Safety: 10

Resiliency: 8

Asset: 12

Environmental: 7

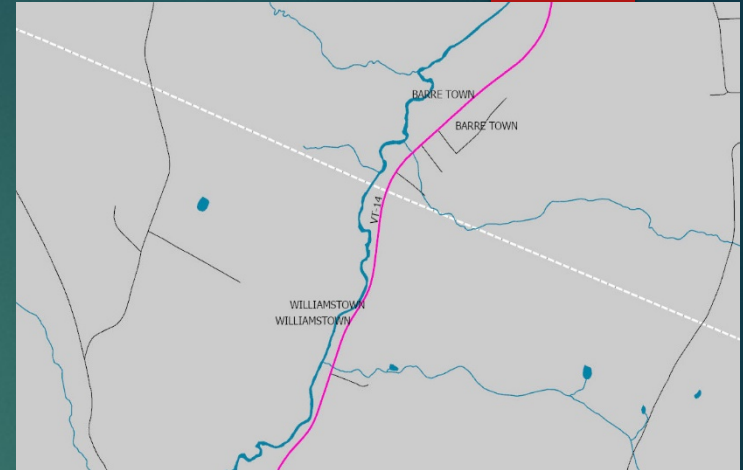
Mobility/Accessibility: 4 Regional: 0

Economic Access: 10 Health Access: 5

PRELIMINARY TRANSPORTATION VALUE: 56

2. Williamstown-Barre VT14

- ▶ Slab removal ETE 43.76-49
- ▶ 5.3 miles
- ▶ Weighted AADT – 5744



Safety: 7

Resiliency: 8

Asset: 12

Environmental: 7

Mobility/Accessibility: 4 Regional: 0

Economic Access: 10 Health Access: 5

PRELIMINARY TRANSPORTATION VALUE: 53

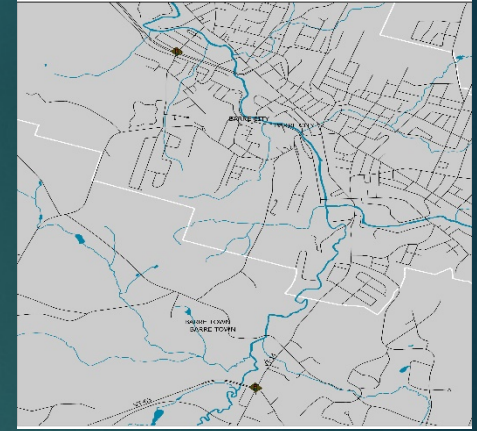


Potential Traffic & Safety Projects Asset Driven

ALPHABETICALLY LISTED

1. Barre City-Barre Town VT14

- ▶ Traffic Signal Equipment replacement (2)
- ▶ Weighted AADT – 465



Safety: 8

Resiliency: 0

Asset: 11

Environmental: 10

Mobility/Accessibility: 0

Regional: 0

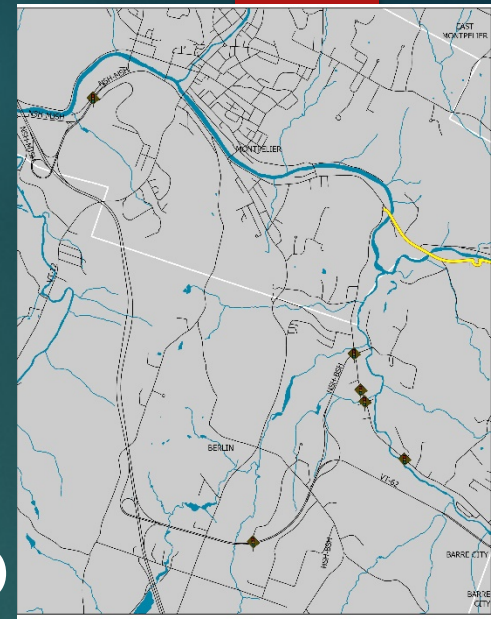
Economic Access: 10

Health Access: 5

PRELIMINARY TRANSPORTATION VALUE: 44

2. Berlin-Montpelier

- ▶ Traffic Signal Equipment replacement (6)
- ▶ Weighted AADT – 13,385



Safety: 4

Resiliency: 0

Asset: 15

Environmental: 10

Mobility/Accessibility: 0

Regional: 0

Economic Access: 10

Health Access: 5

PRELIMINARY TRANSPORTATION VALUE: 44

Regionally Driven Potential Projects

- ❑ New avenue of intaking potential projects/community needs that could become a capital project
- ❑ Community needs/ideas will be run through the **Qualifications Sheet** to review the preliminary Transportation Value. Same 8 criteria parallel to the workbook
- ❑ TAC may not have any this round, but opportunity to start discussion of the region's needs (are there challenging intersections onto a State route that could be assessed during upcoming paving project?)

NEXT STEPS

- CVRPC will finalize draft transportation value scores (incorporate the 3 criteria – mobility / connectivity, economic access and health access) – email copies to TAC and have it available for the April meeting to discuss.
- New projects from TAC need to be sent in by April 12 for staff review/ranking.
- CVRPC will gather town comments by April TAC meeting – will review new and proposed projects/comments and final approval of potential project list
- CVRPC will present final projects to CVRPC Board in May and submission to VTrans May 31.
- Please reach out with any questions/clarifications



QUESTIONS?