

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION

ADVISORY COUNCIL

FREIGHT COMMITTEE



PLEASE NOTE MEETING LOCATION

Date: Wednesday, March 12, 2008 **Time:** 1:00 – 2:45 PM

Location: State Transportation Building
Conference Room 4

AGENDA

- **Introductions and Chairman's Report**
- **Review and approval February Meeting Notes**
- **Member Announcements**
- **Presentation: Fore River Railroad/MWRA (1:30 P. M.)**
- **Relationship updates:**
 - Representative Alice Hanlon Peisch Meeting 3 March, Worcester Line Capacity Improvements
 - Planning for Meeting with Senator Petrucelli 24 March
 - Planning for meeting with MassDEP 24 March (POC Abby Swaine)
- **Freight Study**
 - Status from EOTPW
 - Discussion of comment letter to Advisory Council on Illustrative Projects
 - Continuing discussion on Integration with State Transportation and Economic Development plans
- **Proposal for Boston to Worcester main rail line improvements**
 - How do we move forward? Set up subcommittee
 - **Getting our message out. Who can be conduits to help us promote benefits of freight rail?**
 - Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs
 - Beacon Hill Institute
 - MassINC

- **Future Subjects**
- Meet with Key Shippers
- Meet with Private Developers