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Currently programmed projects			
Reconstruction of Rutherford Avenue, from City Square to Sullivan Square (Boston)	Request	Organization: Rutherford Corridor Improvement Coalition	<p>Requests that the Reconstruction of Rutherford Avenue (FFYs 2020-22) be deferred one year to allow for a more comprehensive examination of possible alternatives. The City of Boston's preferred design proposes to rebuild underpasses on Rutherford Avenue at Austin Street and Sullivan Square. In its most recent design process, the City of Boston did not provide the community with a surface design for its consideration. A viable surface design for Austin Street has been prepared by Professor Peter Furth of Northeastern University, which allows for better traffic movement than the underpass design and provides safer conditions for bicyclists and pedestrians. This design is potentially less costly and has not been analyzed and compared to the underpass design.</p> <p>The Rutherford Corridor Improvement Coalition has collected almost 560 signatures from area residents and businesspersons who seek a solution to the Rutherford corridor that provides the greatest community benefit.</p>
Reconstruction of Rutherford Avenue, from City Square to Sullivan Square (Boston)	Support	Charlestown residents: Ryan Gavin, Jonathan Weiss	Supports continued inclusion of the Reconstruction of Rutherford Avenue in FFYs 2020-22 of the TIP. The new design provides most of the improvements provided by the surface option, including the buffered green space and linear park, and is supported by the majority of Charlestown residents. The corridor needs immediate improvements and the project should not be delayed.
Reconstruction of Ferry Street (Everett)	Request	Municipal: Jay Monty, Everett Transportation Planner	Requests that the Reconstruction of Ferry Street remain in the FFY 2019 TIP element. The project has been flagged by MassDOT as a candidate for moving into a later TIP element due to schedule concerns regarding right-of-way issues. Many of the construction easements can be obtained through right of entry, and the City and its consultant believe the project will be ready for advertisement in 2019.

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Bridge Replacement, Route 111 over I-495 (Boxborough)	Request	Municipal: Adam Duchesneau, Boxborough Town Planner	Requests that when the Route 111 over I-495 bridge replacement begins (currently programmed in FFYs 2020-21), a new sidewalk be included on at least one side, if not both, of the new bridge. The Town of Boxborough is improving town-wide pedestrian access. Approximately 3,000 feet of sidewalk have been completed along Route 111, and a new grant will add another 2,500 feet; the Town's goal is having sidewalk along the entire length of Route 111.
Reconstruction on Route 1A (Main Street) (Walpole)	Request	Legislative: William Buckley, Office of Rep. John H. Rogers; Michael Gallant, Office of Sen. Paul R. Feeney) Municipal: Jim Johnson, Walpole Town Administrator	Requests continued inclusion of the Reconstruction of Route 1A in the FFY 2020 TIP element, rather than moving it to FFY 2021. The safety issues in the corridor are highly important to the region, and the Town of Walpole anticipates submitting the 100% design in April 2018. The right-of-way issues will still exist if the project is delayed, and the Town of Walpole believes it will address these issues in a timely manner.
Reconstruction of Main Street (Route 30) (Natick)	Request	Municipal: Jamie Errickson, Director of Natick Community & Economic Development	Requests continued inclusion of the Reconstruction of Route 27 in the FFY 2019 TIP element, rather than moving it to FFY 2020. Right-of-way issues will be incorporated into the 75% design, which the Town of Natick plans to submit in July 2018. The Town will vote on the necessary easements in at the spring 2019 Town Meeting and has allocated the needed funds for the full design.
Reconstruction of Melnea Cass Boulevard (Boston)	Request	Organization: Ken Kruckemeyer, LivableStreets Alliance	Requests modification of the project design for the Reconstruction of Melnea Cass Boulevard (FFY 2019). The separated bicycle facilities included in the current design are difficult to maintain, especially with regard to snow removal. In addition, the facilities are next to the roadway, rather than behind the trees lining the corridor. Mr. Kruckemeyer provided alternative designs, stating they are affordable and more appropriate for the neighborhood.

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Reconstruction of Melnea Cass Boulevard (Boston)	Oppose	Organization: Madeligne Tena, Mandela Residents Cooperative Association; Friends of Melnea Cass Boulevard	Opposes the project design for the Reconstruction of Melnea Cass Boulevard (FFY 2019), including the removal of sixty trees and the absence of bus rapid transit lanes. The Boston Transportation Department's public process has been insufficient; important abutters have not been consulted, and the BTM has not communicated with the Friends of Melnea Cass Boulevard since April 2017. Further analysis of the project, including environmental and public health impacts, is needed.
Reconstruction on Route 126 (Pond Street) (Ashland)	Support	Municipal: Sheila Page, Ashland Town Planner; Yolanda Greaves, Ashland Board of Selectmen; Holliston Board of Selectmen; David R. Williams, Sherborn Town Administrator Organizations: MWRC, 495/MetroWest Partnership, SVN, Ashland Business Association, 126 Self Storage, The Residence at Valley Farm	Supports continued inclusion of the Reconstruction on Route 126 in the FFY 2020 TIP element. The project area is a vital economic corridor to Ashland, Holliston, Sherborn, and Framingham. Approximately 20,000 vehicles travel the road each day, and residents in the region rely on the roadway for daily errands, professional services, and commuting. The current design discourages bicycle and pedestrian travel. The project is essential to the region's economic development, and the proposed improvements will enhance quality of life for all roadway users.
Intersection and Signal Improvements at Kelley's Corner, Route 111, and Route 27 (Acton)	Support	Municipal: Acton Board of Selectmen; Roland Bartl, Acton Town Planner Organization: MAGIC	Supports continued inclusion of the Intersection Improvements at Kelley's Corner in the FFY 2022 TIP element. The project has become more complex and the projected cost has increased significantly, yet the modified 25% design provides safety and capacity advantages over the preliminary plans. Capacity on the Route 111 and Route 27 intersection will improve in both the AM and PM peak hours, and the modified design is more effective in addressing significant safety and capacity problems at the adjacent intersections of Massachusetts Avenue with Charter Road and Community Lane.

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Intersection and Signal Improvements at Kelley's Corner, Route 111, and Route 27 (Acton)	Oppose	Acton resident: Terra Friedrichs	Opposes inclusion of the Intersection Improvements at Kelley's Corner in the FFYs 2019-23 TIP. States the project is unnecessary, and the funds could be better spent in communities with higher priority projects. Adds that the project supports a large development and should be funded privately.
Intersection Improvements at Three Locations (Beverly)	Support	Municipal: Mayor Michael Cahill Organization: Beverly Crossing	Supports continued inclusion of the Intersection Improvements at Three Locations in the FFY 2021 TIP element, if not sooner. Improved bicycle and pedestrian safety is important to the City; a new middle school will open in August 2018 and will be served by two of the three intersections. WorldTech Engineering believes the project will be ready for advertisement in June 2019.
Reconstruction on Route 129 (Lynnfield Street) (Lynn)	Support	Municipal: Mayor Thomas M. McGee	Supports continued inclusion of the Reconstruction of Route 129 in the FFY 2020 TIP element. The project is important to the community, and the City is advancing the project design in anticipation of advertisement in 2020.
Projects in the MetroWest Region	Support	Organization: MWRC	Supports continued inclusion of the following projects in the FFYs 2019-23 TIP: Cochituate Rail Trail, Phase 2 (Natick and Framingham) Reconstruction of Main Street (Route 30) (Southborough) Reconstruction of Route 27 (North Main Street) (Natick) Reconstruction of Union Avenue (Framingham) Reconstruction of Route 126 (Pond Street) (Ashland)

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Projects in the SWAP Region	Support	Organization: SWAP	Supports continued inclusion of the following projects in the FFYs 2019-23 TIP: Resurfacing and Intersection Improvements on Route 16 (Main Street) (Milford) Signal and Intersection Improvements on Route 135 (Hopkinton)
Rehabilitation of Mount Auburn Street (Route 16) (Watertown)	Support	Organization: ICC	Supports continued inclusion of the Rehabilitation of Mount Auburn Street in the FFY 2022 TIP element.
Minuteman Bikeway Extension, from Loomis Street to the Concord Town Line (Bedford)	Support	Organization: MAGIC	Supports continued inclusion of the Minuteman Bikeway Extension in the FFY 2022 element of the TIP.
Bruce Freeman Rail Trail (Phase 2D)	Support	Municipal: Melissa Murphy-Rodrigues, Town Manager Organization: MAGIC	Supports continued inclusion of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail (Phase 2D) in the FFY 2022 TIP element. The project will improve pedestrian facilities, provide bicycle accommodations, and offer healthy transportation options to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The Town of Sudbury has substantially completed the 25% design for MassDOT's review.
Wakefield / Lynnfield Rail Trail (Wakefield and Lynnfield)	Support	Organization: Friends of the Lynnfield Rail Trail	Supports continued inclusion of the Wakefield/Lynnfield Rail Trail in FFY 2021 TIP element. In 2017, the Town of Lynnfield voted in favor of the Rail Trail warrant article, authorizing the Selectmen to take a lease with the MBTA and construct a path on the rail bed. The Friends of the Lynnfield Rail Trail are seeking Final Design funds from sources outside of the Town budget; if necessary, the balance of what is not raised will be sought via a town meeting vote.

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Other comments			
MPO Assistance with Project Design	Request	Organization: NSPC	Requests that the MPO assess how it may help communities find the resources to start the design of priority local projects. Notes that communities put a significant amount of time and money into reaching 25% design, and would benefit greatly from any help and resources the MPO can provide.
Underground Utilities	Request	Sudbury resident: Bill Schineller	Requests that transportation projects include burying existing overhead utilities within the project area. States that the majority of long duration power outages are largely due to overhead lines.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD

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The MPO board voted to release a draft FFYs 2019-23 TIP document for public review at its April 12, 2018, meeting. This vote initiated an official 30-day public review period, which began on April 18, 2018, and closed on May 17, 2018. The comments received during this public review period and responses from the MPO to the commenters are summarized in Table C-2.

[TABLE C-2: PUBLIC COMMENTS (on Public Review Draft)]

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