

Project	Name	Support / Oppose / Request / Concern	Comment	Response
Projects under consideration for TIP funding				
Community Path, Belmont Component of the MCRT (Phase 1) (#609204)	Organization: Belmont School Committee	Support	Supports inclusion of the Belmont component of the Mass Central Rail Trail in the FFYs 2022-26 TIP. Provides background on the efforts undertaken by the School Committee and Belmont Public Schools to support safe student walking and biking. Outlines how the Belmont Community Path would support the Town's goals for mode shift, GHG reductions, student health, and reductions in student busing costs.	The MPO values your support for the Belmont Community Path and your work in recent years advocating for safe, active transportation throughout the Town. This project clearly aligns well with the Town's goals for mode shift and greenhouse gas reductions, and would support future student health while providing an attractive alternative to busing for many. While the MPO recognizes these benefits, the board was not able to allocate funding to the project in the draft FFYs 2022-26 TIP. This year, limited funding for new projects due to cost increases for projects already in the TIP prevented the board from programming many additional projects in this TIP cycle. The MPO has formed a policy subcommittee to address this problem prior to the drafting of the next TIP, with the goal of allowing more funding to remain available for new projects in the programming of the FFYs 2023-27 TIP next spring.
Community Path, Belmont Component of the MCRT (Phase 1) (#609204)	Organization: Friends of the Belmont Community Path	Support	Supports inclusion of the Belmont component of the Mass Central Rail Trail in the FFYs 2022-26 TIP. The Friends of the Belmont Community Path were heartened to see the robust support of the project throughout the TIP development process this year. The Friends will continue its role engaging the community to create safe mobility options, including through supporting rapid completion of the 25% design, facilitating broad engagement in the subsequent 75% and 100% design efforts, accelerating the phase 2 design timeframe, and coordinating with the Waltham community in completing this gap of the Mass Central Rail Trail.	The MPO values your support for the Belmont Community Path and the work of the Friends in recent years advocating for safe, active transportation throughout the Town and region. The robust enthusiasm for this project expressed by many stakeholders throughout this TIP cycle has been heartening, as have the many personal stories commenters have shared about their goals for the project and the ways in which the path will positively impact their lives. While the MPO recognizes these benefits, the board was not able to allocate funding to the project in the draft FFYs 2022-26 TIP. This year, limited funding for new projects due to cost increases for projects already in the TIP prevented the board from programming many additional projects in this TIP cycle. The MPO has formed a policy subcommittee to address this problem prior to the drafting of the next TIP, with the goal of allowing more funding to remain available for new projects in the programming of the FFYs 2023-27 TIP next spring. The MPO also appreciates your thanks for the efforts of the staff and board this year to recognize and share the numerous public comments in support of the Belmont Community Path.
Reconstruction on Route 30 (Weston) (#608954)	Weston residents: Nick Berardinelli, Fer Bourlot, Martin Bourlot, Steve Butera, Roxanne Ferreira, Barbara Fullerton, Bert Fullerton, Gina Gagliardi, Doug Garron, Jennifer Garron, Joan Garron, Lorna Garron, Barbara Gilman, Richard Gilman, James Kappel, Deborah Khaksari, Shahriar Khaksari, Louis Mercuri, Rebecca Mercuri, Jaelyn Morris, Stephen Morris, Tyler Morris, Jack O'Donnell, Laura Paltrineri, Chand Samaratunga, Vidya Samaratunga, Collin Stultz, Kate Stultz	Concern	Expresses concerns about the proposed Route 30 Reconstruction plans that have been submitted by the Town to MassDOT for 25% design review. The proposed bi-directional shared use path raises numerous public safety issues, the two proposed traffic signals need further analysis, and a much fuller and engaging public participation process with affected residents needs to occur before widespread community support for the Route 30 Reconstruction project can be realized. In particular, viable and safe alternatives for bicycle facilities must be a top priority. Asks the Boston MPO to be aware of these concerns in the FFY 2022-2026 TIP program as well as in future years as this project is considered for further design and potential funding.	The MPO values your feedback on the reconstruction project on Route 30 in Weston and acknowledges the concerns you have about the safety of the proposed shared-use path, the design of traffic signals, and the public participation process to date. Though the MPO considered the project for funding this year, limited funding for new projects due to cost increases for projects already in the TIP prevented the board from programming many additional projects in this TIP cycle. This means that this project will continue to be evaluated by the MPO for funding in future TIP cycles. You are invited to participate in these conversations if you would like to do so. This project will also be subject to a 25% design public hearing in the coming months, as is standard for many TIP projects. You are encouraged to continue to monitor the Town's project website for further updates on when this will occur, as this meeting will provide a forum for your concerns to further be heard by the Town and the project consultant.
Reconstruction on Route 30 (Weston) (#608954)	Framingham resident: Garrett Wollman	Request	Expresses disappointment that the Reconstruction on Route 30 in Weston wasn't included in the draft FFYs 2022-26 TIP and requests that it be considered for funding in a future cycle. Highlights the current deficiencies of Route 30 for bicyclists.	The MPO values your support for the Reconstruction of Route 30 in Weston and understands your disappointment that it was not included in the draft FFYs 2022-26 TIP. While the project scored well in the MPO's evaluation process this year, limited funding for new projects due to cost increases for projects already in the TIP prevented the board from programming many additional projects in this TIP cycle. The MPO has formed a policy subcommittee to address this problem prior to the drafting of the next TIP, with the goal of allowing more funding to remain available for new projects in the programming of the FFYs 2023-27 TIP next spring.
Projects proposed for funding in the FFYs 2022-26 TIP				
Bruce Freeman Rail Trail (Phase 2D) (Sudbury) (#608164)	Legislative: US Representative Katherine Clark Organization: Friends of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Municipal: Henry Hayes, Sudbury Town Manager; Charlie Russo, Sudbury Select Board Arlington resident: Russ Cohen Concord residents: Christopher Schaffner, John Wood Lexington residents: Kathryn Roy, Dennis Shedd Newton resident: David Bronstein Sudbury residents: Nancy Cantone, Dave Hutcheson, Sue Idelson, Reyne Macadaeg, Steve Van Hooser	Support	Supports continued inclusion of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail (Phase 2D) in the FFYs 2022-26 TIP, and request that it remains programmed in FFY 2022. The project is a statewide and regional priority, creating connections across municipalities in the MAGIC and MetroWest subregions. The project will bring a number of benefits to the region, including creating safe, off-road connections to critical destinations, providing recreation opportunities, promoting mode shift, and supporting tourism and economic development.	The MPO values your enthusiastic support for Phase 2D of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail, which remains a priority for the board. To that end, full funding is allocated to the project in FFY 2022. The MPO looks forward to continuing to support the project as it moves towards construction next fiscal year.

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<p>Intersection Reconstruction at Route 3 (Cambridge Road) and Bedford Road and South Bedford Street (Burlington and Woburn) (#608067)</p>	<p>Municipal: Kristin Kassner, Planning Director, Town of Burlington</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>Supports continued inclusion of the Intersection Reconstruction at Route 3 and Bedford Road in Woburn and Burlington in the FFYs 2022-26 TIP, and notes that the project is anticipated to be ready for construction ahead of its current FFY 2025 schedule. The project will improve safety and traffic movements at an intersection surrounded by critical community assets and businesses. The Town of Burlington has worked with local property owners to identify and preserve over nine acres of land through a conservation restriction, mitigating any potential Article 97 concerns that may arise from the project.</p>	<p>The MPO values your support for Intersection Reconstruction at Route 3 (Cambridge Road) and Bedford Road and South Bedford Street in Burlington and Woburn, which remains a similarly high priority for the MPO board. To that end, full funding is allocated to the project in FFY 2025. The MPO looks forward to continuing to support the project as it moves towards construction in the coming years. The MPO also appreciates the efforts undertaken by the Town to mitigate any potential Article 97 concerns. Recognizing that the project may be ready ahead of its current FFY 2025 advertisement schedule, the MPO will explore opportunities to accelerate this project's timeline should funding become available in an earlier year.</p>

<p>Accessibility improvements at the MBTA commuter rail stations in Newton (#P0170)</p>	<p>Newton residents: Christine Abrahamian, Daniel Barrett, Eve Bould, Mark Bridger, Jeff Cadow, Eric Campbell, Fernanda Campbell, Maggie Cooper, Eve Curtis, Lucia Dolan, Beverly Droz, Andy Gluck, Michael Goldman, Naomi Grace, Betsy Harper, John Horst, Janet Kuklinski, Jane Matlaw, Nick Mishol, Teresa Mitchell, Angela Nielsen, Barry Payne, Nathan Persampieri, Bob Persons, Sharon Regan, Joy Reichling, Alissa Saginaw, Susan Shepherd, Lynn Slobodin, Mary Hannah Smith, Jennifer Stone, Susan Tornheim, John Tourtelotte, Erica Yung, Leslie Zebrowitz</p>	<p>Oppose/ Request</p>	<p>Expresses opposition to funding being cut for the accessibility improvements at Newton's MBTA commuter rail stations and requests that dedicated funding be restored for this work. The proposed ADA improvements and two-sided platforms would allow increased service on this rail line, a priority for many residents of Newton and the surrounding communities. Increased service levels and accessibility improvements can reduce transportation inequity and environmental pollution. The continued delay of this important work means that Massachusetts is still not living up to the standards for accessibility set by the Americans with Disabilities Act more than 31 years ago.</p>	<p>The Newton Commuter Rail Station project is currently funded in the MBTA's FY22 Capital Investment Plan (CIP) for \$5.56M, which is expected to support the project through design. The MBTA is in the design process for the Newton Commuter Rail Station project and will hold a public meeting when 30% designs have been completed. The project is currently being funded using MBTA sources. As presented in the FFY 2021 FFYs 2022-2026 TIP, the MBTA is exploring the use of federal loans through the Build America Bureau to finance certain capital projects at a lower interest rate than traditional tax-exempt bonds. The projects currently listed under this program in the draft FFYs 2022-26 TIP are being considered for this program, subject to the approval of funding through the CIP process. Currently there are no changes to the Newton Commuter Rail Station project proposed in the MBTA's FY22 draft CIP, therefore the project is expected to continue through the design process with the existing funds programmed.</p>
<p>Other Comments</p>				
<p>Draft FFYs 2022-26 TIP document</p>	<p>Federal/State: Federal Highway Administration, Boston Region Office; MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning</p>	<p>Request</p>	<p>Requests minor text and graphic updates throughout, including verifying that the TIP document is accessible and properly linked.</p> <p>Requests the addition of draft self-certification pages in the front matter of the document.</p> <p>Requests information be added to denote which projects, if any, are regionally significant for air quality purposes.</p> <p>Requests the addition of dates of receipt to public comment summary table.</p>	<p>MPO staff have made all recommended edits to the draft TIP document, including adding or clarifying language and updating graphics where needed. MPO staff acknowledge the request to add dates of receipt for public comment summaries. Dates were not included in this table because the contents represent a summary of all comments received throughout the FFY. This means that comments may have been submitted across a range of dates on a given project or topic. MPO staff will consider reformatting this table in future TIP documents to better illustrate when comments were received.</p>
<p>Project selection in the 495/MetroWest region</p>	<p>Organization: 495/MetroWest Partnership</p>	<p>Support/ Concern</p>	<p>Supports inclusion of 20 projects in the 495/MetroWest area, with particular support for newly added projects in Acton (#512122, Parking Management System) and Ashland (#612099, Bridge Replacement, A-14-006, Cordaville Road over Sudbury River). Additional support was also expressed for Phase 2D of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail in Sudbury and Concord (#608164), the Lake Cochituate Path in Natick (#610680), and the Interstates 90 and 495 interchange project in Hopkinton and Westborough (#607977).</p> <p>Expresses concern that several projects, including #608443 (Littleton and Ayer - Intersection Improvements on Route 2A at Willow Road and Bruce Street), #608480 (Foxborough - Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 1), #607748 (Acton - Intersection and Signal Improvements on State Route 2 and State Route 111 [Massachusetts Avenue] at Piper Road and Taylor Road), #608045 (Milford - Rehabilitation on Route 16, from Route 109 to Beaver Street), and #609402 (Framingham and Natick - Resurfacing and Related Work on Route 9) have been delayed to later fiscal years.</p> <p>Expresses disappointment that #610660 (Sudbury and Wayland - Mass Central Rail Trail) was removed from this year's TIP after being included in the FFYs 2021-25 TIP.</p>	<p>The MPO appreciates your support for the many projects programmed in the FFYs 2022-26 TIP for the 495/MetroWest region. Collectively, these projects are anticipated to enhance the safety and mobility of all in the region, and the MPO looks forward to continuing to work with the project proponents to advance these important efforts towards construction in the coming years.</p> <p>The MPO also understands your concerns about projects being delayed to later programming years. During this TIP cycle, some projects experienced readiness issues due to unforeseen circumstances in project development and design. Additionally, a number of projects experienced significant cost increases over last year's funding levels, creating a funding shortage in each fiscal year that necessitated the delay of some projects in order to achieve a financially constrained five-year funding plan. The MPO has formed a policy subcommittee to address this problem prior to the drafting of the next TIP, with the goal of allowing more funding to remain available for new projects in the programming of the FFYs 2023-27 TIP next spring.</p> <p>The MPO also recognizes your concerns about the removal of project #610660 from this year's TIP. This project no longer appears in the TIP because it has been selected for funding through the Massachusetts Transportation Bond Bill signed into law by Governor Baker in February 2021.</p>
<p>Funding allocation in the FFYs 2022-26 TIP</p>	<p>Organization: 495/MetroWest Partnership</p>	<p>Request</p>	<p>Notes that the MPO has left more funding unallocated to projects this year than in past years, and requests that several projects in the MetroWest region be considered for these funds. These include #610702 (Littleton - Intersection Improvements at Route 119 and Beaver Brook Road), #610553 (Acton - Improvements at Route 2 Eastbound Ramps at Route 27), #609280 (Framingham - Roundabout Construction at Salem End Road, Badger Road, and Gates Street), #610691 (Natick - Cochituate Rail Trail Extension, from MBTA Station to Mechanic Street), #607774 (Franklin - Resurfacing and Intersection Improvements on Route 140, from Beaver Street to I-495 Ramps), #610676 (Wrentham - Intersection Improvements on Route 1A and North and Winter Street), #611932 (Hopkinton - Campus Trail Connector, Shared Use Trail Construction), and #604862 (Bellingham - Ramp Construction and Relocation, Interstate 495 at Route 126 [Hartford Avenue]).</p>	<p>The MPO appreciates your recommendations for the programming of additional projects from the MPO's project universe. The MPO will take these recommendations into consideration as it advances work on the FFYs 2023-27 TIP. As noted above, the MPO has formed a policy subcommittee to address project cost increases in future TIP years. In anticipation of that work, the MPO board elected not to fully program all funds, allowing the board some measure of flexibility in the event there are significant changes to the ways in which projects are selected for funding. More information will be available on this topic as the policy subcommittee begins its work during the summer of 2021.</p>
<p>Funding for transit projects</p>	<p>Municipal: Benjamin Cares, Senior Planner, City of Chelsea</p>	<p>Request</p>	<p>Requests that the MPO's Transit Modernization Program receive additional funding support, noting the critical mobility and benefits investments in these projects provide in reducing regional inequities, especially for Gateway cities like Chelsea. Encourages the MPO to advance more quickly to its five percent L RTP funding goal for this program.</p> <p>Requests that the MPO's Intersection Improvements Program also receive additional funding support, with a specific emphasis on projects that improve bicycle and pedestrian safety and reduce congestion and air pollution.</p>	<p>The MPO shares the desire to increase funding for transit in the region. To that end, the MPO will continue to implement its Transit Modernization Program in the coming years. Currently, only two years of funding have been allocated to that program, in FFYs 2025 and 2026. With each successive TIP cycle, an additional year of funding will be added so that the MPO is meeting or exceeding its five-percent goal of fully funding this program. The MPO will also seek to close the funding gap between the L RTP goal and the actual funding level of its Intersection Improvements Program. Additional intersection safety and operations projects will be considered under this program in the coming TIP cycle.</p>
<p>Bus fleet electrification</p>	<p>Municipal: Benjamin Cares, Senior Planner, City of Chelsea</p>	<p>Request</p>	<p>Requests that funding for the MBTA's replacement of dual-mode articulated buses be further scrutinized, stating that a transition to an all-electric bus fleet should be a top regional priority. Moving more quickly to electric buses has the potential to benefit environmental justice communities that have been historically harmed by diesel pollution.</p>	<p>The MPO recognizes the urgent need to decarbonize the region's transit infrastructure, including through the electrification of bus fleets. The MPO will continue to work with the MBTA to look for ways to reduce transit vehicle emissions through the federal-aid transit program in future TIP cycles.</p>

TIP project cost containment	Organization: Kristiana Lachiusa, LivableStreets Alliance	Request	Noting the significant project cost increases over the last two TIP cycles, requests the MPO formalize the project funding process to increase accountability for cost increases among all parties, including MassDOT, municipal project proponents, and consultants. States that MPO staff should be more involved in examining project scope changes and cost increases. Expresses optimism that the MPO will address these challenges through the newly formed TIP policy subcommittee, and emphasizes the importance of facilitating public engagement in these conversations.	The MPO acknowledges the significant challenges posed in recent years by project cost increases and agrees that changes to the TIP project programming process need to be explored in order to remedy this issue going forward. The MPO looks forward to continuing this conversation during the summer of 2021 through the TIP policy subcommittee that has been formed, and invites LivableStreets to participate in those meetings as a key stakeholder in the region.
Materials supporting communication of TIP	Organization: Kristiana Lachiusa, LivableStreets Alliance	Request	Requests that the online TIP project database continue to be expanded and updated to act as a valuable resource for all stakeholders in the TIP process. Requests that further information on year-to-year project status and cost changes be made more readily available in the TIP project table included in the final TIP document each year.	The MPO appreciates the recommendations on ways to improve the communication of the TIP process. MPO staff will continue to explore ways to enhance these resources in the coming months.
Regional bicycle, pedestrian, and transit projects	Newton resident: Alex Griswold	Support/Request	Expresses strong support for three projects included for funding in the draft FFYs 2022-26 TIP, including #608164 (Sudbury and Concord - Bruce Freeman Rail Trail [Phase 2D]), #607777 (Watertown - Rehabilitation of Mount Auburn Street [Route 16]), and #609066 (Weston and Newton - Multi-Use Trail Connection, from Recreation Road to Upper Charles River Greenway including Reconstruction of Pedestrian Bridge N-12-078-W-29-062). Requests additional funding support be offered to #P0170 (Newton - Commuter Rail Station Improvements) and the full Mass Central Rail Trail project.	The MPO values your support of bicycle and pedestrian projects across the Boston region, recognizing the significant safety and mobility improvements these projects are anticipated to bring to their communities. The MPO will continue to look for ways to support improvements to the MBTA's stations through the MPO's Transit Modernization Program, and will explore further support for the development of the Mass Central Rail Trail through the resurfacing of project #609204 (the Belmont Community Path) for funding in the FFYs 2023-27 TIP cycle.