

## Public Comments on the Draft FFYs 2011 - 2014 TIP

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7/5/2010	State Representative William N. Brownsberger	Hopes and expects that the Trapelo Road Corridor project in Belmont will be programmed in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP. Expresses appreciation for the MPO's work and notes that the community strongly support of this project and continues to expend resources to prepare for the project. Subsurface utility replacement is underway at this time.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2010-15 timeband in the Plan.
7/6/2010	Michael Yankovich, Belmont resident	Requests that the MPO program the Trapelo Road project in Belmont in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. The corridor's pavement is in poor condition and there is uncertainty about lane widths and number of travel lanes. The current roadway is unsafe for bicycling, walking, and driving. Trapelo Road is a major complaint of residents as well as visitors. Believes that funding this project in the TIP will significantly enhance quality of life for residents, visitors, and others that commute through this corridor.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2010-15 timeband in the Plan.
7/6/2010	Antonio Loura, Chairman, Hudson Board of Selectmen	Expresses gratitude for the inclusion of the Route 85 project in Hudson on the federal fiscal years (FFYs) 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The project has been on the Transportation Plan for a number of years, has received widespread public support, and is located within a state-designated Economic Target Area. Route 85 is a key office and retail corridor that contains multiple Chapter 43D expedited permitting sites and is in a DHCD approved Blight Target Area. The project will facilitate connections to manufacturing facilities and to the intersection of I-290, I-495, and Route 85. The town will continue to work diligently with MassDOT to make the project ready for advertisement in FFY 2011.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
7/6/2010	State Senator Robert L. Hedlund	Requests that funding for the Route 139 widening project in Marshfield be included in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. The project is Marshfield's top priority and it will relieve a significant bottleneck along this business corridor. The project area is zoned for commercial and industrial use, and widening of the roadway could lead to 2,800 new units of housing, hundreds of thousands of square feet of new office and commercial space, and more than 1,000 new full-time local jobs.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
7/9/2010	Robert Shaughnessy, Board of Public Works Chair, Town of Marshfield	Expresses support for the Route 139 widening project in the Town of Marshfield. Provides a brief chronology of steps that the Town has taken to move the project forward. States that the roadway operates at a failing level of service, provides poor pedestrian accommodations, and serves as an impediment to the response times of emergency vehicle. Requests that the MPO and MassDOT continue to work in partnership with the Town to bring the project to completion.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
7/12/2010	Karen Horne, Planning Board Chair, Town of Marshfield	Supports the inclusion of the Route 139 widening project in Marshfield on the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. The project will relieve a bottleneck to improve the failing level of service, provide pedestrian accommodations, and enhance opportunities for economic growth in Enterprise Park. It also hopes to improve the travel times of emergency responses.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.

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7/13/2010	Robert W. Healy, City Manager, City of Cambridge	<p>Expresses concern that the Cambridge Common project has been moved to the FFY 2014 element, and believes that it should be programmed in the FFY 2011 element of the TIP. States that the condition of this historic park and transportation node is rapidly deteriorating and the project design is far enough along to be programmed in FFY 2011. Notes that delayed construction would require the City to fix sections of pathways only to have them removed when the larger project goes into construction.</p> <p>Also expresses appreciation for the programming of the Kendall Square/Broadway project. MassDOT is scheduled to have a 25% design hearing for the project this month and the City is looking to begin construction as soon as possible.</p>	Project was previously programmed in the FFY 2013 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, has been moved to the FFY 2014 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
7/14/2010	Laura Wiener, Chair, Inner Core Committee	Expresses support for the following multi-modal projects that enhance the Inner Core's vibrancy and quality of life, make efficient use of existing infrastructure, and are aligned with MetroFuture and the Transportation Plan goals: Massachusetts Avenue (Arlington), South Bay Harbor Trail (Boston), Cambridge Common (Cambridge), Somerville Community Path (Somerville), Beacon Street (Somerville), Trapelo Road (Belmont), Beacham and Williams Street (Chelsea). Believes that the MPO should consider and fund projects that facilitate multi-modal transportation choices, improve public health, promote financially efficient land use, protect environmental context, and promote reuse and redevelopment.	All projects listed except Trapelo Road (Belmont) and Beacham and Williams Sts. (Chelsea) are in the Draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
7/15/2010	Christine W. Apicella, Franklin resident	<p>Supports the inclusion of the Route 140 Improvement project in the 2012 element of the TIP.</p> <p>Expresses interest in programming funding for the following two projects: Downtown Franklin Roadway and Streetscape Improvement project that will improve traffic flow, enhance pedestrian access, and improve the overall streetscape; Pleasant Street Arterial and Intersection project that provides connections to the center of Franklin. Encourages the MPO to also program these projects in the short-term in order to build upon the investment in the Route 140 Improvement project.</p>	Route 140 is in the FFY 2012 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. The Downtown Franklin and Pleasant St projects are not in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
7/15/2010	State Representative Bruce Ayers	Requests an update on the TIP status of the Long Island Ferry Dock Construction federal earmark. States that this earmark was disbursed to the City of Boston as part of last year's U.S. Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood announcement of \$42 million in grants to improve ferry services and build new docks and facilities in 15 states.	\$198,700 of the earmark will be added to the FFY 2011 element of the FFYs 2011-14 TIP to fund the design of the project. An earmark will be combined with the remaining amount of this earmark for construction in the future.
7/15/2010	State Senator James Eldridge and State Representative Kate Hogan	Expresses thanks for programming the Route 85/Washington Street Reconstruction project in the FFY 2011 element of the TIP. The route bisects a critical commercial area that experiences poor level of service during peak hours. The project will improve safety, reduce congestion, improve air quality, and facilitate economic and job growth. It will also incorporate new sidewalks and bike shoulders that will enhance bicycle and pedestrian mobility as well as improve accessibility for the handicapped population.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.

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7/15/2010	Anthony Marques, Public Works Director, Town of Hudson	Expresses gratitude for the inclusion of the Route 85 project in Hudson in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. The project will improve safety, reduce congestion, and enhance bicycle and pedestrian mobility along the corridor. The project area contains seven new major developments and has been identified by the Town as suitable for infill commercial growth.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
7/15/2010	Don Garcia, Economic Development Commission Chairman, Town of Hudson	Expresses thanks for programming the Route 85/Washington Street Reconstruction project in the FFY 2011 element of the TIP. The corridor operates at a failing level of service during the peak hours. The project will help relieve congestion along Route 85 and improve access to underutilized parcels along the corridor. These improvements will facilitate economic development opportunities to an area suited for commercial expansion.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
7/16/2010	Jennifer L. Burke, Planning Director, Town of Hudson	Expresses thanks for programming the Route 85/Washington Street Reconstruction project in the FFY 2011 element of the TIP. The project will improve safety, reduce congestion, and enhance bicycle and pedestrian mobility along the corridor. Improvements to the corridor will also facilitate economic development opportunities in an area that is suitable for infill development and has direct access to I-495.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
7/19/2010	Brian J. Maguire, Town of Franklin	Requests that the Pleasant Street Arterial and Intersection project in Franklin be programmed in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. The project will improve safety and provide access to numerous community destinations including the Town Common, schools, churches, and the Franklin Senior Center.	Route 140 is in the FFY 2012 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. The Downtown Franklin and Pleasant Street projects are not in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
7/20/2010	Laura Spear, Board of Selectmen Chair, Town of Stow	Requests that the following projects remain or be added to the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP: Design funds for the Hudson-Stow section of the Assabet River Rail Trail (FFY 2011) and construction funds for the Acton-Maynard-Stow sections of the Assabet River Rail Trail (FFY 2014). States that the Town of Stow recently acquired a two-mile right of way for the ARRT and would like to connect to the Acton-Maynard segment presently under design. Notes that by allowing the earmark for design of the Stow section to be available in the FFY 2011 element, the towns would have a five-mile, continuous section of trail ready for construction in the FFY 2014 element.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
7/21/2010	Laura Wiener, Chair, Regional Transportation Advisory Council	Supports the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP and notes that more priority projects could be constructed if more funding were available. States that the Legislature and Governor took an important step through the reform measure approved in June 2009, however the financial savings realized by reform do not come close to addressing the revenue shortfall caused by the backlog of unfunded local and regional projects. Believes that reform and revenue must be addressed simultaneously.	

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7/26/2010	Jeff Levine, Planning and Community Development Director, Town of Brookline	Asks for inclusion of Brookline's Gateway East/Village Square project on the FFY 2013 element or FFY 2014 element of the TIP. The project provides an opportunity to knit together the neighborhoods separated by Route 9, increase access to the Brookline Village MBTA station, and improve bicycle and pedestrian mobility. The project received PRC approval and the Town expects to submit 25% designs to MassDOT Highway Division in early fall 2010.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
7/26/2010	Board of Selectmen, Towns of Acton and Maynard	Request that the Assabet River Rail Trail (ARRT) earmark for design of the Hudson-Stow section remain on the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP and that the earmark for the design of the Acton/Maynard section be programmed so that the continuous stretch of trail can be designed together. Also request that construction funds for the ARRT be made available in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
7/26/2010	State Representatives Jason Lewis and James Dwyer, State Senators Pat Jehlen and Richard Tisei	Request that the Tri-Community Bikeway/Greenway project be programmed on the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. This six-mile bicycle and pedestrian path would connect the communities of Winchester, Woburn, and Stoneham, and would connect residential, commercial, recreational and civic areas. The project is in the 75% design phase, the MPO paid for design of the project.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
7/26/2010	Paul Matthews, Executive Director, 495/MetroWest Partnership	Expresses thanks for programming the Route 85/Washington Street Reconstruction project on the FFY 2011 element of the TIP. The corridor is a primary artery to Hudson's main retail area and also its historic downtown. This project will improve access to commerce and jobs, and accommodate future economic development opportunities.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
7/28/2010	Jane Souza, Director, Online Strategy & Service, Fidelity Investments	Expresses support for inclusion of the Pleasant Street Arterial and Intersection project in Franklin. States that the current road configuration and lack of sidewalks does not make it suitable for walking with children. This project would provide safe access for residents to reach community destinations such as the Town Common, schools, churches, and the Franklin Senior Center.	Route 140 is in the FFY 2012 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. The Downtown Franklin and Pleasant Street projects are not in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.

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7/29/2010	Patrick and Stacey Mullins, Franklin residents	Request that the Pleasant Street Arterial and Intersection project in Franklin be programmed in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. This roadway is a vital artery to the Town and drivers, bikers, joggers, and parents with baby strollers continually attempt to share the road despite inadequate accommodations. This project would provide safe access for residents to reach community destinations such as the Town Common, schools, churches, and the Franklin Senior Center.	Route 140 is in the FFY 2012 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. The Downtown Franklin and Pleasant Street projects are not in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
7/29/2010	Robert J. La Tremouille, Cambridge resident	Objects to the programming of the Cambridge Common project in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that a special act in 1830 prohibits the use of the Cambridge Common for highway uses. Notes that motor vehicles were not in common use in the 19th century and "highway uses" refers to bicycle usage. Appended a copy of the Special Act which was printed from state electronic archives.	Project was previously programmed in the FFY 2013 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, has been moved to the FFY 2014 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
7/29/2010	State Representative Carolyn Dykema	Expresses support for the Crosswalk Beacon at Church and Main Street in Hopkinton funded through the Clean Air and Mobility Program in the FFY 2012 element of the TIP. This intersection is located in the heart of downtown and the current conditions pose a danger to the many individuals that use this intersection. This project is part of a comprehensive downtown revitalization to improve safety and access on the roadways in the downtown area.	Project is currently in the FFY 2012 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
7/29/2010	Joseph F. Tulimieri, Executive Director, Cambridge Redevelopment Authority (CRA)	Requests that the MPO include the Gateway Improvements project in Cambridge in the FFY 2011 element of the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. This project would provide pedestrian improvements and would support the Kendall Square Urban Renewal Project. Notes that the CRA will fund all the design costs and all construction costs that exceed the estimated project cost of \$1,111,500.	Earmark construction funding for the project has been included in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
7/30/2010	Win Sargent, Chairman, South Shore Economic Development Corporation	Expresses support for inclusion of the Route 139 corridor project in Marshfield in the FFYs 2010-2013 TIP. This project will facilitate development of Enterprise Park along Route 3 and help support future transit oriented development projects in the South Shore.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
7/30/2010	Lydia Rogers, Concord resident	Expresses concern about the proposed Bruce Freeman Rail Trail (BFRT) in Concord and the connecting communities and urges the MPO not to include the project on the TIP or the Transportation Plan. Believes that MassDOT should not spend tens of millions of dollars to build a paved road for recreational bicyclists that could have harmful effects on a narrow wildlife corridor.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2021-25 timeband in the Plan.
7/30/2010	Sarah Cressy, President & CEO, Assabet Valley Chamber of Commerce	Expresses thanks for programming the Route 85/Washington Street Reconstruction project on the FFY 2011 element of the TIP. Route 85 is a major north-south corridor through Hudson connecting Marlborough, Berlin, Bolton, and Stows, and it bisects a critical commercial area. The project will improve safety, reduce congestion, improve air quality, benefit bicycle and pedestrian mobility, and allow for economic and job growth.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.

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8/1/2010	Patricia Bean, Marshfield/Pembroke & Duxbury Business Council Chairwoman	Expresses support for the Route 139 widening project in the Town of Marshfield. States that the project will increase economic growth in the area and improve access and safety for dozens of businesses along the corridor.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/2/2010	Jean McDonald, Marshfield resident	Expresses opposition to the Route 139 widening project in Marshfield in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that the traffic congestion has not been supported by data, and therefore believes it may be anecdotal. Notes that speed and impatience were the major causes of accidents on Route 139, and states that expanding the corridor to four lanes is likely to increase speeds and potentially result in more accidents. Express concern that the Town will not be able to maintain the new sidewalks built by this project. Believes that the construction of the project will impact existing commercial properties along the corridor. Attached a Letter to the Editor published in the Mariner of a Marshfield resident with concerns about the Route 139 project.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/2/2010	Peter Forman, President & CEO, South Shore Chamber of Commerce	Expresses support for inclusion of the Route 139 widening project in Marshfield in the FFY 2011 element of the TIP. Expects the near completion of final design this year.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/2/2010	Cameron Bain, Stoneham Tri Community Bike/Greenway	Requests that the Tri-Community Bikeway be placed back on the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. The 25% design hearing for the project was held and the Town is working toward the 75% design hearing. This project has the support of town officials as well as citizens, and believes it is the oldest project in the state.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project was removed from the FFY 2009 element of the FFYs 2008-11 TIP.
8/3/2010	Ralph and Sarah DeBerardinis, Franklin residents	Requests that the Pleasant Street Arterial and Intersection project in Franklin be programmed in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. The current conditions are unsafe for children to walk to school or for pedestrians to access the Town Common. The project will improve safety and provide access to numerous community destinations including the Town Common, schools, churches, and the Franklin Senior Center.	The Downtown Franklin and Pleasant Street projects are not in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.

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8/3/2010	State Representatives Jennifer Benson and Cory Atkins	Express support for inclusion of the design earmark for the Assabet River Rail Trail (ARRT) in the TIP and asks for the MPO's support in funding the ARRT in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP. This 12-mile, multi-use path will run through Acton, Maynard, Stow, Hudson and Marlborough, and connect town centers, commercial areas, and schools. Acton, Maynard, and Stow are progressing with 100% design plans for the next phases of the trail.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/3/2010	Robert Rivers, Friend of the Stoneham Bikeway	Requests funding for the Tri-Community Bike/Greenway project in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that the project has been dragged out over 25 years, and would like to at least see my grandkids and all the young people have this bikeway to enjoy before I leave.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project was removed from the FFY 2009 element of the FFYs 2008-11 TIP.
8/3/2010	Bonnie J. Phaneuf, Chairman, Southborough Board of Selectmen	Expresses disappointment that the Main Street Reconstruction project in Southborough is not included in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP and requests that the MPO include this project in the TIP. The Town has worked with public, private businesses and organizations, and MassDOT to develop a design that will be acceptable to all interested parties. The project has strong support of the community and will improve vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian use of the roadway. States that many of the improvements recommended by the MPO's "Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements in Town Centers" 2007 study are incorporated into the design of the project.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/3/2010	Wayne P. Marquis, Town Manager, Town of Danvers	Requests that the Liberty Street project in Danvers be included in the FFY 2010 element of the TIP. States that the 100% design plans will be submitted by the Town of Danvers on August 23, 2010, and that the Permanent Easements and ROE Forms are complete. Notes that a personal commitment was received by Transportation Secretary Mullan that the project is supported by the Governor and should go forward.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/4/2010	Tom Yardley, Medical Academic and Scientific Community Organization, Inc. (MASCO)	Expresses support for the following projects in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP: Longfellow Bridge Reconstruction (FFY 2011 element), CMAQ funds for Boston Bike Maps (FFY 2011 element), Melnea Cass Blvd. Construction (FFY 2012 element), and South Bay Harbor Trail (FFY 2014 element).  Suggests that construction of the Green Line Park Street Station Eastbound Crossover project should be accelerated. Expresses continued support of the MBTA's Capital Investment Program (CIP) and projects in the State TIP that are consistent with a State of Good Repair and improved service delivery.	Listed projects are included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.

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8/4/2010	Judy O'Brien, Stoneham resident	Requests that the MPO provide funding for the Stoneham Bike Path in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. The project is near completion and the MPO's support would help us to realize our dream.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project was removed from the FFY 2009 element of the FFYs 2008-11 TIP.
8/4/2010	Patricia Elliott, Stoneham resident	Requests that the MPO provide funding for the completion of the Tri-Community Bike/Greenway in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. The project is important to the Stoneham community. It is in the 75% design phase and very close to being ready to go.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project was removed from the FFY 2009 element of the FFYs 2008-11 TIP.
8/4/2010	Anne M. Harrington, Stoneham Bikeway Friends	Thanks the MPO for their support and requests that the Tri-Community Bike/Greenway be programmed in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. The project is in the 75% design phase and is very close to being ready to go.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project was removed from the FFY 2009 element of the FFYs 2008-11 TIP.
8/4/2010	Peter M. Ditto, Public Works Director, Town of Brookline	Requests that the MPO consider programming construction funding for the Carlton Street Footbridge Enhancement in the FFY 2013 element of the TIP. The project has received favorable support from the MassDOT Enhancements Steering Committee and the Town's consultants will soon finalize the draft 25% design submittal. Brookline is committed to funding and completing final design. The estimated cost of the project is \$1,400,000 and Brookline believes that 80% would be funded by Federal Transportation Enhancement dollars and 10% by state match.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/5/2010	Darryln Leikauskas, Tri-Community Bike Path	Requests that the MPO provide funding for the Stoneham Bike Path in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that he moved to town 11 years ago knowing that Stoneham would soon have a bike path like Arlington. Notes that there are many volunteers involved in finishing the project and hopes that the MPO's support can bring new life to Stoneham.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project was removed from the FFY 2009 element of the FFYs 2008-11 TIP.
8/5/2010	Board of Selectmen Chairs Jeff Wieand (Concord), Lauren Rosenzweig (Acton), and Gary Taylor (Lincoln)	Express appreciation to the MPO for continued support of the Crosby's Corner project. Notes that the January 2010 multi-car, tractor trailer truck accident reinforces the need for this safety project and believes the project will result in a safer roadway for all users.  Express appreciation for inclusion on the Concord Route 2 Rotary project in the Regional Transportation Plan's (RTP's) illustrative list, but believes it is a critical project that needs to be included in the RTP. States that inclusion of this project in the RTP will allow for the development of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail crossing design (Phase 2B).	Concord Route 2 Rotary project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2021-25 timeband in the Plan.
8/5/2010	Board of Selectmen Patricia Reilly, John Hall, and Matthew McDonough, Town of Marshfield	Expresses support for the Route 139 widening project in Marshfield in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. The current condition of the corridor is unsafe for residents. Believes that this project will address safety concerns and have a significant economic development impact on the community and the region.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.



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8/5/2010	Laurel Egan Kenny, President and Founder, Turningpoint Communications	Expresses support for inclusion of the Route 139 project in Marshfield in the TIP. States that the roadway experiences serious congestion that negatively impacts his business-related trips. Believes that this project will help improve the safety of residents and reduce delays for emergency vehicles.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/5/2010	Richard D. Roberts, McSweeney & Ricci Insurance Agency, Inc.	Expresses support for the Route 139 widening project in Marshfield in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that there is unnecessary congestion and safety issues along the corridor that impacts his business and other businesses in the area. Believes that this project will address these concerns and foster commerce.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/6/2010	Jack Griffin, Chief Executive Officer, Buythecase.net	Expresses support for inclusion of the Route 139 widening project in Marshfield in the TIP. States that he was so impressed with Governor Patrick's commitment to this project at a recent meeting that he decided to relocate his business along this corridor. Believes that the widening of the roadway will have a positive economic benefit for creating jobs and bringing needed services to Marshfield.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/6/2010	Michelle Ciccolo, Chair, Minuteman Advisory Group on Interlocal Coordination (MAGIC)	Requests that the following projects remain on the FFYs 2010-2013 TIP: Route 2 (Crosby's Corner) in Concord and Lincoln; Route 2A at Waltham Street in Lexington; and design earmarks for the Assabet River Rail Trail in Acton, Maynard, Stow, and Hudson. Notes that Crosby's Corner has experienced recent flooding in areas that would be addressed by this project. States that there needs to be a proactive plan to address bicycle and pedestrian safety and inadequate culverts along Route 111 in Boxborough. Lists the MAGIC project priorities as critical, urgent, and significant projects.	All projects listed except the bicycle and pedestrian issues on Route 111 (Boxborough) are in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/6/2010	Charles Gaffney, Chairman, MetroWest Growth Management Committee	Expresses support for the following projects in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP: Downtown Corridor Traffic and Streetscape Improvements in Framingham; Cochituate Rail Trail in Framingham; Route 9/Oak Street Intersection in Natick; and Route 30/Main Street Rehabilitation in Southborough.  Expresses concern that the level of state transportation funding is insufficient to meet the needs of the subregion. States that if more funding were available, the following important projects would also be considered: Reconstruction of Route 126 in Framingham; Routes 126 and 135 Grade Separation; and North Main Street (Route 27) in Natick.	None of the projects mentioned are in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/6/2010	Catharine Hornby, Cambridge Bicycle Committee Chair	Expresses support for the Cambridge Common Improvement project in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that improvements to cycling infrastructure have been a key component of the City's success in getting people onto bicycles. Believes this project will have a tremendous difference at a key transportation hub, and will be a highly visible example of the region's commitment to get people around without driving.	Project was previously programmed in the FFY 2013 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, has been moved to the FFY 2014 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.

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8/6/2010	Charles M. Sullivan, Executive Director, Cambridge Historical Commission	Supports the request by City Manager Healy of Cambridge to program the Cambridge Common/Flagstaff Park project in the FFY 2011 element of the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. The Common is one of the City's most historic open spaces and is deteriorating at a rapid pace. States that reconstruction of the pathways, improved drainage, new irrigation, lighting, street furniture and improvements for bicyclists and pedestrians are needed. The Cambridge Historical Commission has approve the 25% plans and set aside a significant sum from Community Preservation Act funds for this project.	Project was previously programmed in the FFY 2013 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, has been moved to the FFY 2014 element of the Draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/6/2010	Joan Turner, Concord resident	Recommends the following changes for the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Phase 2C: temporarily terminate the asphalt trail at Williams Road which has existing parking spaces; treat the segment between Williams Road and Powder Mill Road as an official spur with appropriate signage; and cover the existing surface of the spur with stone dust or another temporary natural surface.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2021-25 timeband in the Plan.
8/6/2010	Kathleen Hogan, Franklin resident	Expresses support for the Pleasant Street Arterial and Intersection project in Franklin in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that the current roadway lacks pedestrian accommodations that prevent her from walking her children to school and to church. This project would enhance access to downtown locations and would build off the improvements of the Route 140 project.	Route 140 is in the FFY 2012 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. The Downtown Franklin and Pleasant Street projects are not in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/6/2010	George Barnard, Concord resident	Expresses concern for funding the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. Believes that the rail trail is a questionable luxury in these tight fiscal times at the federal, state, and town levels. States that the trail proponents have failed to provide costs of the project to the town and concerned citizens. Notes that the ranger program was eliminated from the town's budget and suggests that fencing be included along the trail to protect delicate wetlands and minimize the impact on White Pond.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2021-25 timeband in the Plan.
8/6/2010	Michael Beer, Chairman of TruePoint, and Professor Emeritus of Harvard Business School	Expresses opposition to the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that the cost of the trail cannot be justified considering that the town is turning off street lights under budgetary pressures. Urges the town to stop funding the trail as long as the budgetary pressures continue.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2021-25 timeband in the Plan.
8/6/2010	Ron Bott, Concord resident	Expresses opposition to funding the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that the Town should not be spending money on a rail trail when essential services like street lighting is being cut.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2021-25 timeband in the Plan.
8/6/2010	Paul Halkiotis, Marshfield Town Planner	Asks for the MPO's support of the Route 139 widening project on the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that this project will alleviate traffic congestion and facilitate job creation in Enterprise Park. Notes that the Town's MORE Jobs grant application projects the creation of 238 new fulltime jobs over the next two years and that Enterprise Park anticipates 960 new jobs. Expects 100% design plans to be completed in September 2010. Provides Attached a map of the project area.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.

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8/7/2010	Tom Kelleher, President, Assabet River Rail Trail, Inc.	Expresses support for adding construction funding for the Acton-Maynard section of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/8/2010	Thomas S. Michelman, President, Friends of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail	Asks that the MPO program Phases 2A and 2C of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail into the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP or other worthy bicycle and pedestrian projects. Expresses concern that the TIP does not give enough weight to the benefits of and the public desire for multi-modal path projects. States that the MPO continues to fail to meet federal guidelines of assigning 10% of surface transportation funds on enhancement projects. Notes that the state of Massachusetts ranks last (51 out of 51 states and the District of Columbia) on spending funds on enhancement projects. States that the percentage of spending toward community paths has decreased from previous TIP years, and that the MPO makes designing and funding rail trails an arduous, frustrating, and much too difficult process.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2021-25 timeband in the Plan.
8/9/2010	Amanda Trombley, Cambridge Pedestrian Committee Chair	Urges the MPO to program the Cambridge Common/Flagstaff Park project in the FFY 2011 element of the TIP. States that the Cambridge Common is where most of the city's major roads come together and where thousands of cyclists and pedestrians pass through everyday. Believes that this project will address conflicts between pedestrians and cyclists by improving bicycle connections and shortening crosswalk distances. Notes that the project has received substantial input from the community.	Project was previously programmed in the FFY 2013 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, has been moved to the FFY 2014 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/9/2010	State Representative John Fernandes and State Senator Richard Moore	Express support for the Route 16 signal project in Milford in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. Route 16 is a major regional connector roadway, and intersection improvements would increase traffic flow and improve safety. The project would encourage greater economic development, enhance public safety, and provide equal access to the disabled community. MassDOT has placed the project on the fast track to be bid ready by spring 2011.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/9/2010	State Representative James Cantwell	Expresses support for inclusion of the Route 139 widening project in Marshfield in the FFY 2011 element of the TIP. States that improvements to this corridor will improve traffic flow, enhance safety, and foster economic development. The project will provide better access to 1 million square feet of office space and an estimated 900 permanent jobs in Enterprise Park.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.

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8/9/2010	U.S. Representative Richard E. Neal	Asks for consideration of the Route 16 construction project in Milford in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. This project runs through the heart of downtown and serves the transportation needs of residents of Milford and surrounding communities. The rehabilitation of this artery will address congestion issues and update traffic apparatuses.	Project is currently in the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/9/2010	Michelle Ciccolo, Chair, Minuteman Advisory Group on Interlocal Coordination (MAGIC)	<p>Thanks the MPO for inclusion of the Route 2A at Waltham Street project (Lexington) and Assabet River Rail Trail design project (Acton, Maynard, Stow, and Hudson) in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-2013 TIP.</p> <p>Requests that the following projects remain on the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP: Route 2 (Crosby's Corner) in Concord and Lincoln; Route 85/Washington Street in Hudson; and Houghton Street Bridge in Hudson. Expresses support for inclusion of the following projects on the TIP: design and construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in Acton, Maynard, and Stow; Route 111 Bicycle/Pedestrian Trail in Boxborough; Phases 2A, 2B, and 2C of construction for the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail in Acton, Carlisle, Westford, and Concord; and Concord Rotary/Route 2 in Concord.</p> <p>Lists the MAGIC TIP project priorities as critical, urgent, and significant projects. Notes that all the projects are essential to the economic vitality and transportation infrastructure of the region and are well supported by the communities.</p>	Construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in Acton, Maynard, and Stow; Route 111 Bicycle/Pedestrian Trail in Boxborough; Phases 2A, 2B, and 2C of construction for the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail in Acton, Carlisle, Westford, and Concord; and Concord Rotary/Route 2 in Concord are not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/9/2010	State Representative Carolyn Dykema	Requests that the MPO include the Main Street (Route 30) Reconstruction project in Southborough in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. This project is located near Route 9, a commuter rail station, and highways 495 and 90, and is an important commuting corridor for vehicles. The project would provide bicycle and pedestrian accommodations, meet handicap accessibility standards, and reduce traffic queues.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/9/2010	Charles Denison, Advocacy Director, Livable Streets Alliance	<p>Expresses appreciation that the MPO strives to program transportation projects across modes, and believes that funding the following projects will help achieve goals of the Healthy Transportation Compact: Massachusetts Avenue in Arlington, Massachusetts Avenue in Boston, South Bay Harbor Trail in Boston, Cambridge Common, Beacon Street in Somerville, Somerville Community Path, Route 99 (Alford Street Bridge) in Boston, and Longfellow Bridge in Boston and Cambridge.</p> <p>Expresses concern about two very expensive highway projects: Route 128 Improvement Program and Route 2 Crosby's Corner. Believes that increased transit options would be a better way to meet the needs of commuters along the 128 corridor. Suggests that a less expensive, less complicated, context-sensitive improvement can and should be made to Crosby's Corner to improve safety.</p>	All projects listed are in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.

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8/9/2010	John Wasser, Maynard resident	Expresses support for the MPO to fund the Acton-Maynard section of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that it is a great trail and he would like to see it extended from Hudson, through Maynard, and to the South Acton train station.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/9/2010	Richard Fallon, citizen	Expresses support to build the Assabet River Rail Trail as soon as possible.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/9/2010	Rainer Maas, citizen	Urges the MPO to move forward with the Assabet River Trail project as soon as possible.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.

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8/9/2010	Ron Labbe, Maynard resident	Expresses support for the MPO to fund the Acton-Maynard section of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that this project will encourage families to drive less and exercise more. Believes that the current on-road route is unsafe.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/9/2010	Sarah Johnson, Hudson resident	Requests that the Acton-Maynard section of the Assabet River Rail Trail be included in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP. States that the trail is a great addition to the Hudson community and its value would increase if it were extended to the South Acton commuter rail station.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/9/2010	David A. Mark, Assabet River Rail Trail	Expresses support for construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that many Acton and Maynard residents commute to and from the South Acton commuter rail station and believes that this trail would provide a safe non-automotive route. Notes that Route 27 does not provide adequate bicycle and pedestrian accommodations.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.

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8/9/2010	Susan Eppling, Assabet River Rail Trail	Expresses support for construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that many residents commute to and from the South Acton commuter rail station and believes that this trail would provide a safe access for bicyclists and pedestrians.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/9/2010	Julie Windzio, Maynard resident	Expresses support for funding of the Acton-Maynard section of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that she and her husband were avid users of the Minuteman Trail while residents of Arlington, and that they would like to teach their daughters how to bicycle on the ARRT.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/9/2010	Alice A. Shafer, ArtSpace, Maynard	Expresses support to construct the Assabet River Rail Trail so that ArtSpace artists, her children, and herself can utilize the trail.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.

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8/9/2010	John Epling, citizen	Expresses support for construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail which would provide a safe route between South Acton and Maynard for commuters and recreational users.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/9/2010	John E. McNamara, Assabet River Rail Trail	Urges that construction funding for the Acton-Maynard section of the Assabet River Rail Trail be included in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that the trail would provide a safe bicycle route to the South Acton commuter rail station and allow residents to save money on gas, get healthy exercise, and that it would reduce parking problems.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/10/210	Sara Hartman, Maynard resident	Expresses support for construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP. States that this trail would provide residents with a safe recreational route to bicycle and walk. Notes that the roads are too hazardous for bicycling.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.



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8/10/210	Michael Duclos, Assabet River Rail Trail	Expresses support for construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that rail trails have proven to be effective tools in transportation policy, health, and safety. Notes that he currently uses the existing portion of the ARRT to commute to businesses in the area and that the project has strong support from all the towns.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/10/210	Rebecca Arsenault, Maynard resident	Expresses support for construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/10/210	Kristin Burati	Expresses support for construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP. Believes that this project will help revitalize the towns of Maynard and Acton, and help build strong communities.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.

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8/10/210	Stephen Wagner	Expresses support for construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP. States that the rail trail would allow him to safely commute to the South Acton commuter rail station in good weather. Notes that the parking costs at the South Acton parking lot and inadequate pedestrian accommodations on Route 27 currently prevent him from taking this trip.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/10/210	Jason Sobel, Maynard resident	Expresses support for construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that this project would provide a vital connection to the South Acton commuter rail station and a safe and convenient path for bicycling in the region.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/10/210	Kathie Larsen	Expresses support for construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP. States that this trail would allow her bicycle access to the South Acton station to take the commuter rail into Boston. Notes that the trail also provides significant recreational advantages.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.

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8/10/210	Bruce Cherner	Expresses support for construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP. States that the estimated cost of the trail (\$1.5 million per mile) is cheap in comparison to the cost of the Big Dig (\$1 million per foot). Believes that the cost of the trail will pay for itself by a combination of reduced health care expenses for the Commonwealth and revenue from commercial enterprises along the trail.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/10/210	Loretta West, Maynard resident	Expresses support for construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP. States that the completion of the Acton-Maynard section of the trail will allow residents access to the finished portion in Hudson and Stow.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/10/210	Jennifer Chen, Assabet River Rail Trail	Expresses support for construction of the Acton-Maynard section of the Assabet River Rail Trail. States that the trail would bring environmental and aesthetic value to the community and its residents.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.

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8/10/210	Andy Goldman	Expresses support for construction of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP. States that he used the Minuteman Trail extensively as a resident of Arlington, and would like to enjoy the ARRT as a resident of Maynard.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/10/210	Kenneth Pruitt	Expresses support for funding the Tri-Community Bike and Pedestrian Pathway through Stoneham, Woburn, and Winchester. States that this project has the support of all communities and it would provide substantial air quality and recreational benefits.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project was removed from the FFY 2009 element of the FFYs 2008-11 TIP.
8/10/210	Deb Matthews, Acton resident	Expresses support for construction of the Acton-Maynard section of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP. States that trails are a great way to improve overall fitness and encourage green commuting.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.

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8/10/210	Bettina Abe, Acton citizen	Expresses support for construction of the Acton-Maynard section of the Assabet River Rail Trail in the FFY 2014 element of the TIP. Favors the design of a 51 space parking lot at the south side of the South Acton commuter rail station so that the ARRT ends at a significant destination. Notes that this design would eliminate a separate ARRT bridge across the existing railroad tracks to the main parking lot.	Project is programmed in the FFY 2010 element of the FFYs 2010-13 TIP, but may not be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year. The project will be proposed for the FFY 2011 element of the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Construction funding for the project is not included in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2016-20 timeband in the Plan.
8/10/2010	Paul Matthews and Jessica Strunkin, 495/MetroWest Partnership	<p>Express support for the inclusion of the Route 85 project in Hudson and the Route 16 project in Milford in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. Notes that the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP is a clear indication of the dire condition of transportation financing in the Greater Boston region despite having additional resources this planning year to lower than expected bids.</p> <p>Expresses support for a list of projects within the Partnership's service area. Also appreciates funding for Year 2 of the Acton Shuttle, bridge projects in the 495/MetroWest region, and interstate maintenance projects in the 495/MetroWest area, and the reliable funding stream to the MetroWest RTA (MWRTA).</p> <p>Suggests a new level of transparency to the TIP by providing further explanation for project cost increases and cost decreases.</p>	Listed projects are in the draft FFYs 2011-2014 TIP.
8/10/2010	John T. Gillon, Traffic Engineer, City of Quincy	Requests funding for intersection improvements on Hancock Street at East and West Squantum Streets in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. This intersection experiences high traffic volume, long delays, and a high degree of both vehicular and pedestrian crashes. This project would improve safety, reduce congestion, and improve air quality. Notes that the intersection was part of 2008 CTPS study and that the project has a state earmark of \$3,000,000. States that the City expects to hold 25% Public Hearing within two months.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/10/2010	State Representative Mary Grant	Expresses support for the Beverly MBTA Parking Garage and nearby Intermodal Center, and requests that the Route 127 project be included in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that the Parking Garage would provide access to the commuter rail accessible for riders. Also states that the Route 127 is a small paving project that would enhance safety in an area that is in the vicinity of a high school and college campus.	The Route 127 project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.

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8/10/2010	Mayor William F. Scanlon, City of Beverly	Urges the MPO to consider reprogramming the following two projects in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP: Route 1A Rantoul Street and Route 128 - Interchange Improvement project. The Rantoul Street project would complete the reconstruction of this important regional roadway and ensure the State's earlier investments at either end were sound. Notes that this project would complement the City's recent rezoning for higher-density residential development along Rantoul Street and the MBTA's plans to build a 500+ car commuter rail garage in the heart of the project by the end of 2011. States that the Route 128 Exit 19 project would reduce traffic congestion, improve air quality, and vehicular and pedestrian safety. Notes that the funding is in place for 25% design plans, and that the City recently submitted a TIGER II grant application for the project's construction.	Projects is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP.
8/10/2010	Judith Sprott, Concord resident	Opposes funding for the proposed Bruce Freeman Rail Trail, especially in Concord, in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. Believes that the trail does not connect Concordians with any major attractions or destinations. Expresses concern that the trail would have negative environmental impacts on White Pond and the environmentally sensitive areas along the existing corridor. States that there is currently no safe, practical solution for the trail crossing at the MBTA West Concord commuter rail station. Expresses support for creating safer commuting and recreational bicycling opportunities along arterial streets.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2021-25 timeband in the Plan.
8/10/2010	Gail Bucher, Concord resident	Urges the MPO not to include the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. Expresses concern that the proposed trail that includes Concord and nearby connecting towns would have environmental impacts and disrupt wildlife habitats. States that the crumbling roads and bridges such as I-93 last week should take priority over a rail trail project. Believes that this trail would primarily be for recreational use and would have minimal emission reductions as most users would have to drive to use the trail. States that this project is not consistent with the 2035 Plan's "Visions and Policies" because the rail trail is not context sensitive and does not protect sensitive environmental resources.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2021-25 timeband in the Plan.
8/13/2010	Chris Bade, Concord resident	Expresses opposition to provide funding for the proposed Bruce Freeman Rail Trail in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that the cost of the trail cannot be justified considering the massive fiscal deficit at the state and national levels of government, and the current condition of the economy. Believes that this project would be an unnecessary expenditure at a time when school and public safety budgets are being cut.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2021-25 timeband in the Plan.
8/13/2010	Dan Latham, Concord resident	Expresses opposition to the funding of the proposed Bruce Freeman Rail Trail in the FFYs 2011-2014 TIP. States that the trail would not serve as a commuter route because of its location among low-density populations and its lack of connection to destinations. Believes that transportation funding should be spend to enhance bicycle accommodations on existing roadways. Suggests that there are less costly options to providing recreational trails.	Project is not currently in the draft FFYs 2011-14 TIP. Project is included in the 2021-25 timeband in the Plan.