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The Boston Region MPO,
the federally designated
entity responsible for
transportation decision-
making for the 101 cities
and towns in the MPO
region, is composed of:

MassDOT Office of Planning and
Programming
City of Boston
City of Newton
City of Somerville
Town of Bedford
Town of Braintree
Town of Framingham
Town of Hopkinton
Metropolitan Area Planning Council
Massachusetts Bay Transportation
Authority Advisory Board
Massachusetts Bay Transportation
Authority
MassDOT Highway Division
Massachusetts Port Authority
Regional Transportation Advisory
Council (nonvoting)
Federal Highway Administration
(nonvoting)
Federal Transit Administration
(nonvoting)

Transportation Planning and Programming Committee Meeting MPO Conference Room, Suite 2150, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA Thursday, May 12, 2011, 10:00 AM (Estimated meeting duration: 3 hours)

MEETING AGENDA

1. **Introductions**, 5 minutes

2. **Public Comments**, 20 minutes

3. **Action Item:**

Proposed MPO Memorandum of Understanding, David Mohler, Chair, MPO Staff, *further discussion of issues raised by public comment and possible decision on issues to be incorporated in the MOU. Issues to be considered are:*

- Should the membership of the MPO be expanded?
 - Add more municipalities?
 - Should each sub-region have a municipal representative? If yes, are they elected by sub-regions or the 101 municipalities?
 - Add other MPO member (s): RTAs, legislator, business interest, or non-profit group? If yes, should the new member(s) be elected, appointed, or permanent?
 - Should the MPO consider population, employment, and amount of infrastructure in membership decisions?
- For elected municipal members, should the MPO have a requirement that a certain number be cities and a certain number be towns?
- Should there be term limits for the elected municipal members?
- Should the MPO consider geographic equity when approving all certification documents?
- Should there be requirements for advance posting of materials prior to discussions at meetings?
- Should the MPO meet quarterly outside of Boston?

Other issues may be raised by members of the Transportation Planning and Programming Committee or members of the public. This discussion may lead to a vote to approve an MOU and recommend endorsement to the MPO, 160 minutes (proposed MOU and public comments posted)

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