



TO: Interested Parties
FROM: Glenn Eaton, Executive Director
RE: Draft Amendment #1 to the Highway Element of the FFY 2019-2023 Montachusett Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
DATE: November 29, 2018

Based upon the Montachusett Metropolitan Planning Organization Public Participation Program (PPP) established by the Montachusett Regional Planning Commission (MRPC) that attempts to establish a proactive public involvement process as required under the Metropolitan Planning Regulations, this memo serves as notice of a 21 day public review and comment period for Draft Amendment #1 to the MPO Endorsed FFY 2019-2023 Montachusett Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the availability of the draft document developed by the Montachusett MPO. The public involvement process with the time established for review of the TIP and its Amendments will satisfy the Program of Projects (POP) requirements for transit projects. The public review and comment period will commence on Thursday November 29, 2018 and close at the end of business on Wednesday December 19, 2018.

The Amendment reflects a cost change to a bridge project listed in the FFY 2019 Highway Element of the TIP. At a meeting held on November 28, 2018, the Montachusett MPO reviewed the proposed Amendment and voted that it be released for public review and comment.

A summary of the proposed amendment is available for review. Copies can be obtained online at the MRPC website, www.mrpc.org or at the offices of the MRPC located at 464 Abbott Avenue, Leominster, MA 01453 between the hours of 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday to Friday. Copies can be mailed on request by contacting the MRPC at (978) 345-7376.

We ask that any interested party review draft Amendment #1 and make any comments that they deem appropriate. Written or verbal comments will be accepted up till the close of business on Wednesday December 19, 2018 and should be addressed: TIP Amendment Comments, MRPC, 464 Abbott Avenue, Leominster, MA 01453. Comments can also be sent via email to: mrpc@mrpc.org. Please specify TIP Amendment Comments in the subject line.

Comments received will be reviewed and incorporated into a final TIP Amendment #1. If no significant objections are made during the public review period, the final document will be forwarded for endorsement to the MPO at a meeting to be held at the MRPC Offices at 1:00 PM on Wednesday December 19, 2018. Please refer to the MRPC website Calendar for confirmation of meeting dates.

If there are questions on the Draft Amendment #1 or the review and comment period, please contact the MRPC.