

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
BUREAU OF HIGHWAY DESIGN**

NHDOT Complete Streets Advisory Committee (CSAC) Meeting

DATE: May 25, 2022, 1:00 PM

LOCATION: Online via Teams

ATTENDED BY: G. Bakos, T. Blagden, S. Bogle, T. Borowitz, B. Caplain, T. Jameson, M. Marshall, K. Mullen, N. Sanders, W. Schoefmann, C. Tufts, S. Verdile, B. Watson, S. Workman, T. Zamoyski

All participants attended online

SUBJECT: Complete Streets Advisory Committee (CSAC) Meeting

CSAC MEETING NOTES:

1. Approve previous meeting notes from the February 23, 2022 meeting. Meeting notes are online
 - a. Motion: All approve, No dissents
2. Statewide Ped Bike Plan – Update
 - a. March 24th Plan Status Meeting:
 - i. Alta Presented overarching themes from the Plan review & Proposed Plan Content
 - b. Plan schedule is being reset – likely summer completion.
 - c. Currently meeting with FO Staff on key themes / Plan direction
 - d. Upcoming meeting date with CSAC/PAC/RPCs TBD
 - i. Present Updated Final Draft and solicit Final Comments
3. NHDOT Statewide Chip Seal Projects
 - a. Discuss refining the process of requesting consideration of alternative treatment in future years
 - i. What criteria should be considered (bike activity, local/regional connectivity, etc.)
 - b. CSAC Field Trip of recently installed Chip Seals (DOT 2022 & Municipal in recent years if by same spec as DOT)
 - i. Interested Participants: N. Sanders, C. Tufts, S. Bogle, T. Borowitz, T. Zamoyski, M. Marshall, G. Bakos, T. Blagden, S. Verdile. Reach out to local bike groups (BWANH, Live Free and Ride, other)
 - ii. Date: Summer 2022
 1. Nick to follow-up on chip seal summer schedule, additional details on municipal chips seals (same specs as DOT?), and other info to share
 - iii. Location(s): Central NH
 1. Craig and Nick to review locations
4. Other Business:
 - a. NHDOT Training:
 - i. Complete Streets: June 20-21
 - ii. Bicycle Workshop: September 13-14
 - b. Discussion of NH Projects seeking Congressional Funds prompted by T. Blagden
 - i. S. Bogle noted Portsmouth seeking to pave and construct parking at existing trail
 - ii. C. Tufts noted Concord Greenway Trail
 - iii. B. Watson noted that the DOT has been working with Senator Shaheen's and Congresswoman Kuster's Offices to review applications (under Title 23) to determine how feasible they are and make sure they are as competitive as possible.

- c. S. Verdile is looking for clarification at future meeting on nomination process for new members. Noting that Scott Crowder is interested in joining CSAC.
- d. Discussion of possible future agenda topics
 - i. Strategic Highway Safety Plan Presentation
 - ii. NH State Rail Trail Plan Presentation
 - iii. T. Blagden: Discussion on Active Transportation spending in DOT projects. Should CSAC review the list that DOT (B. Watson) provided in an effort to better understand what it includes, how the AT component was estimated, if it provides good value, what the context is, and if CSAC should provide feedback to the DOT. Possible further discussion at CSAC to determine if a deeper dive before the next GACIT would be appropriate.
 - iv. S. Bogle noted that the EDA grant that RPC, SNHPC, UVLSRPC, and CNHRPC was working with UCONN to establish a bike and ped counting network of trails was not awarded, but they are considering applying again as a region (NE) or individually (NH) possibly considering other funding opportunities (You Have our Trust Fund, EDA, or Pool Funds – FHWA).
 - 1. C. Tufts indicated that getting the counters will be important, but consideration to the hosting platform will also be necessary. N. Sanders noted that MS2 offers a non-motorized module of their Transportation Data Management System that the State already uses for motorized volume data. N. Sanders will look into the details of the non-motorized module (cost). C. Tufts to reconsider sending out the draft questioner of existing (non-motorized) data collection practices.
 - v. Updates from group members locally or within their organizations
 - 1. T. Zamoyski: May Bike Month
 - a. <https://www.snhpc.org/home/news/may-2022-bike-month>
 - 2. T. Borowitz: Interactive Story Map – will share and welcomes feedback
 - 3. B. Caplain: Take physical improvements, such as rededication of shoulder space, one step further to include appropriate signage.
- 5. Next meeting TBD – Ped Bike Plan stakeholder meeting may take precedence.

Submitted by:

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