



Notice of meeting

Who: Nashua Regional Planning Commission/Metropolitan Planning Organization (Full Commission/MPO)
When: **Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at 7 pm**
Where: NRPC Conference Room, 30 Temple Street, Suite 310, Nashua, NH, 03060. If you are unable to attend in-person, you may participate remotely through [Zoom](#):
Meeting ID: 821 5301 4904
Passcode: MPOapril

Agenda

1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Privilege of the Floor
3. Approval of Minutes: January 21, 2026 **(Action Item)**
4. MPO Policy Committee
 - a. **Public Hearing:** NRPC FY2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and FFY2023-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Amendment #4 **(Action Item)**.
 - b. FFY2025-2028 TIP February, March & April Minor Revisions.
 - c. Demonstration of NRPC Project Tracker & TIP Management Software.
 - d. NH 101 Safety Improvements Position Statement.
 - e. Other Transportation updates.
5. Other Business
 - a. NRPC Regional Plan
 - b. NRPC Foundation
 - c. NRPC Annual Forum
 - d. Other Updates
6. Commissioner Roundtable
7. Adjourn

Next NRPC Nashua Regional Planning Commission/Metropolitan Planning Organization/ (Full Commission/MPO) Meeting: Wednesday, June 17, 2026.

Refreshments will be provided.



**Draft minutes Nashua Regional Planning Commission
January 21, 2026. In-Person Public Meeting with Zoom Attendance Option**

Members Present:

Jason Hennessey, Town of Amherst (Zoom)	John Yule, Town of Milford
Danielle Pray, Town of Amherst	Tim Berry, Town of Mont Vernon
Jerry Roche, Town of Brookline	Camille Correa, City of Nashua
Tamara Sorell, Town of Brookline	Derek Thibeault, City of Nashua
Joseph Garruba, Town of Hollis	Michelle Cooke, Town of Pelham
Ralph Boehm, Town of Litchfield	Heather Corbett, Town of Pelham
Kimberly Queenan, Town of Litchfield	Paul Dadak, Town of Pelham
Karin Elmer, Town of Merrimack	Kermit Williams, Town of Wilton
Tim Tenhave, Town of Merrimack (Zoom)	William Rose, NHDOT (Zoom)
Janet Langdell, Town of Milford	Jack Wade, NHDES (Zoom)

NRPC Staff Present:

Jay Minkarah, Executive Director
Kate Lafond, Assistant Director
Matt Waitkins, MPO Coordinator
Emma Rearick, Transportation Planner
Salem Quinn, Administrative/Communications Coordinator

1. Welcome and Introductions

Queenan called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm. Introductions on Zoom and around the room were made.

2. Privilege of the Floor

Queenan asked if anyone wished to speak or add to the agenda. No one did.

3. Approval of Minutes – November 19, 2025

Queenan asked for any edits to the minutes. Hearing none, Queenan asked for a motion to approve.

Tenhave moved the motion, with a second from Corbett,

THAT the minutes of November 19, 2025, meeting be approved as presented. A roll call vote was conducted.

Rose, Cooke, Elmer, Langdell, Berry, and Yule abstained. **The motion carried.**

4. MPO Policy Committee

- a. Public Hearing opened at 7:12 pm:** NRPC FY2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and FFY2023-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Amendment #3 (**Action Item**). Waitkins gave an overview of the process and how the TIP is part of the Ten-Year Plan. This opportunity is to give public input. TTAC recommended that MPO adopt the Amendment. Affected projects are listed in the agenda packet.

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Questions around last minute project additions that were answered by NRPC and NHDOT. About the process for projects added during the public comment period not posted as other projects were. Noted that it's okay since it will be posted after the fact.

Williams commented on the large last-minute project coming in at the final hour, Pelham 29450, when so many others are being cut and/or moved out of the Ten-Year Plan. NHDOT noted that this project is delayed by about a month. Since this project is associated with a state bridge project, they need to happen around the same time.

Pray commented on both the process for comments getting to NHDOT, as well as the Wilton-Milford-Amherst-Bedford 13692E, and how Amherst has the stretch of road with the most accidents. She will send written comments to Waitkins about concerns with the project getting pushed out. There was discussion regarding project ranking for the Ten-Year Plan, and how safety could hold more weight. Boehm will also advocate at the legislative level for this project.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER STATION (42571) T2 UNH programmatic project: <https://new-hampshire-geodata-portal-1-nhgranit.hub.arcgis.com/pages/nhsades> Discussed what this technology is and what it is used for. The website is available to the public for viewing data.

Elmer moved the motion, with a second from Hennessey.

THAT the Nashua Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby adopts Amendment 3 to the FFY 2025-2028 NRPC Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and associated Metropolitan Transportation Plan project list as discussed. A roll call vote was conducted.

Wade abstained. **The motion carried.**

Discussed best practices for advocating for projects and processes to get Commissioners information sooner. **Public hearing closed at 7:59 pm.**

- b. FFY2025-2028 TIP January Minor Revisions (Information Item).**
Waitkins gave presentation on Minor Revisions and the minor thresholds. Regional projects are listed in the packet.
- c. Position on Potential Turnpike System Toll increase (Action Item).** After much discussion on the topic, a motion was voted on.

Berry moved the motion, with a second from Boehm.

THAT the Nashua Metropolitan Planning Organization takes a position on the potential Turnpike Toll Increase to allow NH EZ Pass holders to see no increase, while Non-NH EZ Pass or cash payers see a 100% increase. A roll call vote was conducted.

Wade and Rose abstained. Garruba objected. **The motion carried.**

- d. Position on Potential Gas Tax increase (Action Item).** After much discussion on the topic, a motion was voted on.

Berry moved the motion, with a second from Roche.

THAT the Nashua Metropolitan Planning Organization takes a position in favor of potential gas tax increase.

Wade and Rose abstained.

Tenhave, Hennessey, Thibeault, Pray, Garruba, Langdell, Yule, and Boehm objected.

The motion carried.

It was noted that even though the motion carried, since it was such a close call, it makes sense to note the vote but not take a stance.

- e. Presentation: Camille Correa, NTS Transit Administrator - Nashua Transit System Public Transit Agency Safety Plan & Transit Asset Management Targets **(Information item)**.

Correa gave a presentation regarding safety targets. NTS Statistics presented with data that they inputted into their systems. Information in packet has been updated, and new data printouts are here tonight.

- f. Demonstration of NRPC Project Tracker & TIP Management Software **(Information Item)**:
Deferred to next meeting.
- g. Other Transportation updates: None were brought forward.

5. Other Business

a. NRPC Regional Plan

We expect to have a draft available in February and will be soliciting feedback. Plan to have presentation at the April MPO meeting. Also discussed NTS Ten-Year Plan: the final document is being formatted and will be available soon.

b. Other Updates

NH DES has a few funding opportunities. Also, there is a 1/31 deadline for requests for information.

6. Commissioner's Roundtable

- Tenhave **Merrimack**: Talking about a 9% increase in town budget and decrease in school district. Tumultuous with ICE protests and Budweiser plant closing.
- Thibeault **Nashua**: Mayor has asked all departments to stay withing a 3% increase in budget.
- Pray **Amherst**: 3.2% increase in town budget. State grant for solar panels, which were installed at transfer station and went live a month ago.
- Garruba **Hollis**: Guidance for town budget was -2%, which was nearly met. School budget most likely won't meet guidance. Upcoming warrant for expansion of the primary school for \$20 million, which will be controversial.
- Corbett **Pelham**: Town budget hovering around a 1-2% increase, school district stayed lean even with health insurance increase. Pelham Fire Chief asked board about SB245 and back billing for ambulance

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services. Hope is to increase revenue from what was received from commercial insurances. 3.25% of what Medicare pays. Dadak noted discussions of understanding wetland protections, and they had hearings at planning boards. Some people want to get rid of the regulations. Planning board was all opposed to getting rid of protections.

- Sorell **Brookline**: hoping to add a third district, a downtown village district. Mixed use with light commercial. Roche added budget to just under 5% increase, hoping for under 3%. Social media helped to get people's insight, and many people showed up at the meeting. There are a few warrant articles: most notable is to eliminate the fire wards. Currently the Fire Dept. answers to three fire wards instead of the Board of Selectmen.
- Correa **NTS**: Fare increase proposal. Meeting tomorrow morning at the library and upcoming public hearing. Asking for feedback.
- Boehm **NH State**: Already discussed Ten-Year Plan. Bill came forward to force a tax cap on school districts, it failed and is trying to come in as an amendment on another bill. Also being added as a ballot question for the November election. Also, the SAU budget passed as a separate article instead of as part of the school district.
- Queenan **Litchfield**: Town evaluation was completed. Town will possibly go with a default budget, were as lean and thin as we could be. School was going to propose an upgrade, but it was pulled at the last minute. Litchfield Resource Fair – first ever! Resources for Litchfield residents and Veterans. Circumferential highway land is available from NHDOT: first it's made available to renters, then to town, then to NH Housing Authority, then it will go up for sale. Commercial zone will reach out to Hudson to see what they are doing with their Commercially zoned land.
- Langdell **Milford**: School system applied technology center CTE has some potential money from state for \$10 or \$11 million to revamp high school. This is the 3rd year that it's been brought forward and the last chance to get this money from the state. To give appropriate classroom space and repairs that are needed. Planning board has put forward some land use zoning ordinance proposal changes related to housing: one of which is a cottage park area in 3 residential zones to encourage development of smaller homes that are more affordable. Obligatory ADUs because of the changes at the state level last year. Proposed zoning ordinance to change density in downtown area to encourage more mixed use and more housing units. New community development director and town administrator. Yule added closed on 4.8 areas of conservation land. Budget is about 9%, most of which is the extra pay period. Going after a grant for evaluation of town hall.
- Berry **Mont Vernon**: Budget 10% increase (down from 13%).
- Williams **Wilton**: Capital projects, they have a few going on: new highway garage with large costs from consultants. Was hoping for \$3 million, but it's projected at \$8-10 million. They have 4-6 bridge projects going on. Only going to go forward with one of the bridge projects. They also have two high hazard dams. The Dam Bureau has said they have to do something with them but are not sure of deadline. They keep setting aside money for all these projects. Cost keeps going up. However, it is the same cost to remove or replace. NRPC confirmed that Bike/Ped Count Requests are open for 2026.

7. Adjourn: meeting adjourned at 9:24 pm.

The next Commission/MPO meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 15th, 2026.

Respectfully submitted by Salem Quinn, NRPC Administrative/Communications Coordinator.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Nashua MPO Policy Committee
FROM: Matt Waitkins, MPO Coordinator
SUBJECT: FY2025 – 2028 NRPC TIP Amendment 4 – Analysis
DATE: April 10th, 2026

The Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) has received proposed Amendment 4 to the adopted Nashua Metropolitan Area FY2025–2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT). The NRPC is expected to amend the TIP with corresponding updates to the FY2023-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

The TIP is a prioritized list of federal and state funded regional transportation projects planned for the next 4 years. NRPC is amending the TIP to account for changes to projects within the Nashua region and to maintain consistency with the Statewide TIP (STIP). This process is being conducted in accordance with the Nashua MPO Public Participation Plan, and Federal and State Regulations. Amendment 4 impacts projects listed in the FY2025-2028 TIP which is part of the 2023-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) for the region.

A fourteen-day (14) day public comment period for Amendment 4 began on Monday, March 30th, 2026, and ends on Monday, April 13th, 2026. During this period, Amendment 4 to the TIP will be available for public review on the NRPC website at the [NRPC Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\)](#) page, and physical copies can be provided upon request to Matt Waitkins, MPO Coordinator at mattw@nashuarpc.org.

Written comments may be submitted through Monday, April 13th, 2026, via email to mattw@nashuarpc.org or via US mail to: Matt Waitkins, NRPC, 30 Temple Street, Suite 301, Nashua, NH 03060.

Following the public comment period, and pursuant to the NRPC Public Participation Plan, the NRPC MPO Policy Committee will hold a public hearing to review comments, solicit final public feedback, and consider adoption of Amendment 4. The public hearing has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 15th, 2026, at 7:00 PM at the Nashua Regional Planning Commission, located at 30 Temple Street, Suite 310, Nashua. The public hearing also can be attended via Zoom at the following link:

<https://nashuarpc.zoom.us/j/88284199663?pwd=cGZKaE5PZEpYRXdROU5UTzhRYnU3dz09>

Meeting ID: 882 8419 9663

Passcode: 875446

TIP AMENDMENT THRESHOLDS - ([Link to NHDOT STIP Amendment Procedures](#))

- Any change to a project that triggers an Air Quality Conformity Determination.
- Adding or removing a project or phase of a project.

- Making a substantive change in the design concept or scope of a project that uses state or federal funds or any regionally significant projects regardless of the funding source.
- A significant change (>25%) in the total cost of a project within STIP years.
- Officially adding a project that had been previously included for illustrative purposes.

ANALYSIS OF THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO PROJECTS

Projects Being Amended in the NRPC Region:

Hudson (45435) Belknap Road

Scope: Extension of Belknap Road to Lowell Road including new crossing over Second Brook.

Proposed change:

- This project is being added to the TIP.

Reason for the change:

- This project was introduced into the draft 2027-2036 TYP currently going through the legislative process after being introduced through the Public Hearing process for the TYP by the Town of Hudson and endorsed by GACIT and Governor.
- The TIP contains projects that the state of NH is currently planning for.
- This project is therefore being added to the STIP.

Analysis:

- Adding a project to the TIP requires an Amendment

Wilton (44351) Old County Farm Road.

Scope: Bridge replacement – Old County Farm Road over Blood Brook #060/118.

Proposed change:

- This project is being removed from the TIP.
- The funding for the Construction phase is changing from the MOBIL program (which is **federal** funding) to the State Aid Bridge - SB367 program (which is **state** funding).
- This project will no longer use federal funding. Therefore, it does not need to be in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP only includes projects that receive federal funding.

Reason for the change:

- The site requires a temporary bridge to maintain access during construction. The cost estimate for a temporary bridge is ~\$400K.
- There is an historic stone arch bridge at the other end of Old County Farm Rd which is currently closed to traffic. If that bridge is rehabilitated, it can serve as the detour route, eliminating the need for a temporary bridge, and saving a historic bridge. The current cost estimate to repair the stone arch bridge is ~\$950K.
- After coordination with the design engineer, the Town, abutters, a specialized stone mason, NHDOT's Bureau of Environment (BoE), and NHDES, all parties agreed that it was a more judicious use of project funds to apply the \$400K that a temporary bridge would cost toward the cost of the stone arch bridge repair. This addresses the detour needs re: access during the project and saves the \$400K from being a sunken (lost) cost

as the temporary bridge would be removed at completion of the project and reopening of the bridge.

Analysis:

- Removing a project from the TIP requires an Amendment.

Statewide/Programmatic Projects that are being amended:

None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The proposed changes made by Amendment 4 to the NRPC TIP and MTP update meet all applicable conformity requirements under the conformity rule. The Draft TIP Amendment details these requirements and the NRPC actions to meet them.

The NRPC TTAC reviewed the amendment at the April 8th meeting and voted to recommend approval by the NRPC MPO Policy Committee. NRPC staff has reviewed this amendment in consultation with the NHDOT, NHDES, US EPA, FHWA, FTA and representatives of the NH MPOs, and recommend approving the amendment changes.

Note: Nashua Transit System, which is the FTA Section 5307(c) applicant, has consulted with the MPO and concurs that the public involvement process adopted by the MPO for the development of the TIP satisfies the public hearing requirements that pertain to the development of the Program of Projects for regular Section 5307, Urbanized Area Formula Program, grant applications, including the provision for public notice and the time established for public review and comment.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Nashua MPO Policy Committee

FROM: Matt Waitkins, MPO Coordinator

SUBJECT: **Minor Revisions FY2025 – 2028 NRPC TIP February 2026 – Information Only**

DATE: April 10th, 2026

The Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) has received proposed **February Minor Revisions** to the adopted Nashua Metropolitan Area FY2025 – 2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT). The NRPC is expected to revise the TIP with corresponding updates to the FY2023-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

Minor revisions are administrative in nature and require no action by the NRPC TTAC or by the MPO Policy Committee.

TIP MINOR REVISIONS THRESHOLDS - ([Link to NHDOT STIP Amendment Procedures](#))

- Minor changes in the total cost of a project (up to 25%);
- Changes to the cost of transit agency projects to reflect annual FTA allocations.
- Minor changes to the scope of work or description of a project that do not affect the regional emissions analysis or otherwise trigger a conformity determination;
- Combining or separating two or more projects that are part of an approved STIP, so long as the total cost changed is within the Minor Revision thresholds;
- Combining or separating phases within a project that are part of an approved STIP, so long as the total cost changed is within the Minor Revision thresholds;
- Identifying a specific project that was part of a programmatic project and adjusting the programmatic project accordingly, so long as the total cost changed is within the Minor Revision thresholds;
- Changes to the funding category(s) identified in an approved STIP for a project that are within the Minor Revision thresholds;
- A change in the fiscal year of any phase or portion of a phase of a project in areas where expedited project selection procedures have been adopted, provided they are advanced or delayed within the STIP years and do not affect the financial constraint of the STIP or trigger a Conformity Determination.
- Expedited procedures are currently in effect for the entire State of NH

NRPC projects that are being revised:

- **Merrimack (29174)** – US3 from Wire Rd. to Baboosic Brook – Bridge Replacement US3 over Baboosic Brk (BR# 118/135) & Reconstruct Wire Rd/US3 Intersection.

Proposed change:

- Decrease overall project cost estimate from \$12,947,210 to \$12,780,285.
- This is a 1.3% decrease in funding within the TIP years.

Reason for the change:

- The project cost is being adjusted for inflation.
 - An estimate after the start of a new fiscal year drops a year from the inflation calculations.
 - As a result, the funding decreases because one less year is included in the inflation calculation.

Analysis:

- A change in the project cost within the TIP years of <25% requires a Minor Revision.

- **Milford (42470)** – NH101 & NH13 – Improvements to the “Oval” to improve traffic flow (Sec 1702 – Demo id NH038 & NH058).

Proposed change:

- The Construction phase is moving from FFY2026 to FFY2027.

Reason for the change:

- This adjustment is at the request of the Town and is to accommodate an updated project timeline.

Analysis:

- A change in the fiscal year of any phase of a project requires a minor revision.

- **PROGRAM (NTS5307)** – Nashua Transit System - FTA 5307 Funds for Capital, Planning, Prev Maintenance ADA & Operating Assist. for Nashua Transit(NTS).

Proposed change:

- Increase overall project funding in the TIP years from \$18,184,693 to \$18,687,628.
- This is a 2.8% increase in funding within the TIP years.

Reason for the change:

- NTS and NRPC recently submitted an update to the project estimates for the FTA 5307 project.
- This minor revision matches the requested change to the 5307-funding estimate.

Analysis:

- A change in the project cost within the TIP years of <25% requires a Minor Revision.

- **PROGRAM (NTS5310)** – Nashua Transit System - Traditional/Nontraditional 5310 Projects Improving Mobility of Seniors & Individuals w/Disabilities.

Proposed change:

- Increase overall project funding in the TIP years from \$1,493,020 to \$1,742,778.
- This is a 16.7% increase in funding within the TIP years.

Reason for the change:

- NTS and NRPC recently submitted an update to the project estimates for the FTA 5310 project.
- This minor revision matches the requested change to the 5310-funding estimate.

Analysis:

- A change in the project cost within the TIP years of <25% requires a Minor Revision.

- **PROGRAM (NTS5339) – Nashua Transit System - FTA 5339 Formula Funds for Bus & Bus Related Equipment & Facilities Capital Projects.**

Proposed change:

- Increase overall project funding in the TIP years from \$2,705,699 to \$2,794,375.
- This is a 3.27% increase in funding within the TIP years.

Reason for the change:

- NTS and NRPC recently submitted an update to the project estimate for the FTA 5339 project.
- This minor revision matches the requested change to the 5307-funding estimate.

Analysis:

- A change in the project cost within the TIP years of <25% requires a Minor Revision.

Statewide & Programmatic Projects

- PROGRAM (CRDR) – Various Locations - Culvert Replacement/Rehabilitation & Drainage Repairs (Annual Project)

Proposed change:

- Shifting Construction funds to Preliminary Engineering and Right of Way phases.

- PROGRAM (ENV-POST-CON) – Various Statewide Locations - Environmental commitments for post-construction.

Proposed change:

- Shifting funds between project years.



MEMORANDUM

TO: NRPC MPO Policy Committee

FROM: Matt Waitkins, MPO Coordinator

SUBJECT: Minor Revisions FY2025 – 2028 NRPC TIP March 2026 – Information Only

DATE: April 10th, 2026

The Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) has received proposed **March Minor Revisions** to the adopted Nashua Metropolitan Area FY2025 – 2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT). The NRPC is expected to revise the TIP with corresponding updates to the FY2023-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

Minor revisions are administrative in nature and require no action by the NRPC TTAC or by the MPO Policy Committee.

TIP MINOR REVISIONS THRESHOLDS - ([Link to NHDOT STIP Amendment Procedures](#))

- Minor changes in the total cost of a project (up to 25%).
- Changes to the cost of transit agency projects to reflect annual FTA allocations.
- Minor changes to the scope of work or description of a project that do not affect regional emissions analysis or otherwise trigger a conformity determination.
- Combining or separating two or more projects that are part of an approved STIP, so long as the total cost changed is within the Minor Revision thresholds.
- Combining or separating phases within a project that are part of an approved STIP, so long as the total cost changed is within the Minor Revision thresholds.
- Identifying a specific project that was part of a programmatic project and adjusting the programmatic project accordingly, so long as the total cost changed is within the Minor Revision thresholds.
- Changes to the funding category(s) identified in an approved STIP for a project that are within the Minor Revision thresholds.
- A change in the fiscal year of any phase or portion of a phase of a project in areas where expedited project selection procedures have been adopted, provided they are advanced or delayed within the STIP years and do not affect the financial constraint of the STIP or trigger a Conformity Determination.
- Expedited procedures are currently in effect for the entire State of NH.

NRPC projects that are being revised:

- **AMHERST (42593)** – Amherst Rail Trail – Rail trail between Baboosic Lake Road and Walnut Hill Road, located on abandoned Railroad ROW.

Proposed change:

- Decrease overall project funding in the TIP years from \$1,018,366 to \$995,604 (decrease of 2.2%).
- FFY 2026 Preliminary Engineering & Right of Way project phases are moving to FFY2027.

Reason for the change:

- The funding estimate is decreasing because an estimate after the start of a new fiscal year drops a year from the inflation calculations. As a result, the funding estimate decreases because one less year is included in the math.
- Preliminary Engineering and Right of Way are moving to FFY2027 because of an updated project schedule.

Analysis:

- A change in the project cost within the TIP years of <25% requires a Minor Revision.
- Moving project phases to a new fiscal year requires a Minor Revision.

- **MERRIMACK (29174)** – US 3 from Wire Rd to Baboosic Brook. Bridge replacement on US3 over Baboosic Brook (Bridge # 118/135) & Reconstruct the Wire Road/US3 intersection.

Proposed change:

- Construction funding is being consolidated into FFY2027 only.
- FFY2026 Construction phase is being removed from the TIP.
- There is no change in the overall funding estimate for this project.

Reason for the change:

- Construction is being delayed because of delays in Right of Way acquisition.

Analysis:

- A change in the fiscal year of any phase or portion of a phase of a project requires a Minor Revision.

- **MILFORD (41587)** – Bridge Street – Rehabilitation of the Swing Bridge in the Town of Milford.

Proposed change:

- Increase overall project funding in the TIP years from \$970,936 to \$1,071,130 (increase of 10.3%).
 - FFY2026 & 2027 Preliminary Engineering funding estimate is increasing. This phase is 100% federal funding.
 - FFY2027 Right of Way estimate is decreasing. This phase is 100% federal funding.
 - FFY2028 Construction phase estimate is decreasing. This phase requires a 20% local match. The local match is decreasing slightly in this estimate.

Reason for the change:

- To reflect the most current updated project estimate.

Analysis:

- A change in the project cost within the TIP years of <25% requires a Minor Revision.
- **PELHAM (16145)** – Main Street – Main St bridge over Beaver Brook – Bridge Replacement (Br. No. 110/090) and Culvert replacement (Br. No. 111/090).

Proposed change:

- Adding an additional funding source to the FFY2026 Preliminary Engineering phase.
 - STBG-Areas 5 to 200K funding is being added.

Reason for the change:

- NHDOT sometimes modifies the source of project funding to maintain financial constraint, ensuring projects align with available revenue, shifting schedules, and changing cost estimates.

Analysis:

- Adding a new funding source requires Minor Revision.

Statewide & Programmatic Projects

- **PROGRAM (COAST5307)** – Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation (COAST) - operating, capital ADA, capital PM, planning, capital investments for FTA 5307-funded
 - Increase funding by 7.8% in FFY2026.
- **PROGRAM (CORRST)** – Various – Corridor studies statewide.
 - Shift Construction funds from FY2027 to FY2026.
- **PROGRAM (PAVE-T2-RESURF)** – Tier 2 Highways – Resurfacing of Tier 2 Roadways.
 - Shifted Construction funds from FFY2028 to FFY2026.
- **PROGRAM (PAVE-T3/4-RESURF)** – Various locations – Resurfacing of Tier 3 & 4 roadways.
 - Added a Preliminary Engineering phase.
 - Increased Construction funding.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Nashua MPO Policy Committee

FROM: Matt Waitkins, MPO Coordinator

SUBJECT: Minor Revisions FY2025 – 2028 NRPC TIP April 2026 – Information Only

DATE: April 10th, 2026

The Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) has received proposed ***April Minor Revisions*** to the adopted Nashua Metropolitan Area FY2025 – 2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT). The NRPC is expected to revise the TIP with corresponding updates to the FY2023-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

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- Expedited procedures are currently in effect for the entire State of NH.

NRPC projects that are being revised:

- **Brookline (40662) – NH13 and Old Milford Road intersection improvements** – Scope may include construction of a southbound left turn from NH13 onto Old Milford Road.

Proposed change:

- Increase overall project funding in the TIP years from \$501,083 to \$574,024 (increase of 14.6%).
- FFY 2026 Right of Way project phase is moving to FFY2027.
- Add STBG-Non-Urban Areas under 5K as a funding source
- There continues to be no local match required.

Reason for the change:

- NHDOT sometimes modifies the source of project funding to maintain financial constraint, ensuring projects align with available revenue, shifting schedules, and changing cost estimates.
- The total project funding estimate and project phasing are being adjusted to reflect an updated project schedule.

Analysis:

- A change in the project cost within the TIP years of <25% requires a Minor Revision.
- Moving project phases to a new fiscal year requires a Minor Revision.
- A change in funding sources requires a minor revision.

Statewide & Programmatic Projects

- **PROGRAM (CRDR)** – various statewide locations - Culvert replacement and Rehabilitation & Drainage Repairs (Annual Project)
 - Increase funding by 7.7%.
- **PROGRAM (ENV-POST-CON)** – various statewide locations – Environmental commitments for post-construction obligations.
 - Shifting funds between fiscal years.
- **PROGRAM (GRR)** - various statewide locations – Guardrail replacement (Federal Aid Guardrail Improvement Program) (Annual Project).
 - Shifting funds between fiscal years.



March 2, 2026

Hon. Denise Ricciardi, Chair
Senate Transportation Committee
State House, Room 106
107 North Main Street
Concord, NH 03301

Hon. David Milz, Chair
House Committee on Public Works & Highways
GP Room 228
107 North Main Street
Concord, NH 03301

Re: State of New Hampshire Ten Year Transportation Improvement Plan 2027-2036 (HB 2026)

Dear Senator Ricciardi and Representative Milz:

At its meeting of February 18, 2026, the Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) Executive Committee voted unanimously to request that the construction phase of safety improvements on NH 101 in Amherst (WILTON-MILFORD-AMHERST-BEDFORD Project #13692E), currently scheduled in the 2025 – 2034 Ten Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TYP) for 2026, be restored to the draft 2027-2036 TYP as scheduled in the 2025-2034 plan. NH 101 is a major state corridor and one of the NRPC region's highest priority High Injury Network highways with seventeen serious crashes including two fatalities and nine severe injuries recorded between 2018 and 2022 alone. You may recall that State Representative Lee Slocum died in the project area in 2006. Moving the construction phase from 2026 as currently planned to 2034 as proposed, will doubtless result in further fatalities and life changing injuries. We trust that the General Court will appreciate the importance of these urgent safety improvements. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

NASHUA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Jay Minkarah, Executive Director

cc: Hon. Kelly Ayotte, Governor, Executive Councilor Wheeler, NRPC Region Legislative
Delegation, NHDOT Acting Commissioner David Rodrigue