



Notice of meeting

Who: NRPC Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC)
When: **Wednesday, June 10th, 2026, at 12 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: 835 1696 1408
Passcode: TTAC@NRPC

Members attending remotely may vote, but do not count towards a quorum. **We strongly encourage in person attendance because we need a quorum to move Action Items forward.**

Agenda

1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes: May 13th, 2026 (Attachment 1) – **Action Item**
3. TIP Amendment 5 to the FFY2025-2028 NRPC Transportation Improvement Program (Attachment 2) – **Action Item**
4. NHDOT Transportation Asset Management Plan 2026 (TAMP) – NHDOT staff will provide information & lead a discussion about the 2026 TAMP
5. FFY2025-2028 TIP June Minor Revisions (Attachments 3)
6. Other NRPC project updates
7. Municipal, State, and Federal updates
8. Adjourn

Lunch will be provided.

Next NRPC Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC) Meeting:
Wednesday, July 8th, 2026

Draft Minutes Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC)

Wednesday, May 13, 2026, 12 pm, Public Meeting with Zoom Option

Attendees:

Eric Slosek, Amherst
Will Ludt, Amherst
Ben Gradert, Hudson
Mark Chamberlain, Lyndeborough
Geoffrey Allen, Lyndeborough
Jerid Pretzer, Merrimack
Nicole Crawford, Milford
Wayne Husband, Nashua, DPW, Traffic
Levent Akinci, Nashua, Community Dev.
Mark Saunders, Nashua, DPW, Engineering
Nick Germain, Wilton
Camille Correa, NTS (Zoom)
William Rose, NHDOT (Zoom)
Polly Perkins, NHDES
Justin Howard, LRTA (Zoom)
Amanda Gourgue, BWANH (Zoom)

NRPC Staff:

Matt Waitkins, MPO Coordinator
Emma Rearick, Transportation Planner
Jay Minkarah, Executive Director
Donna Marceau, Regional Mobility Manager
Cassie Cashin, Regional Planner III
Tyrel Borowitz, GIS Analyst
Salem Quinn, Admin./Comms. Coordinator

1. **Call to order:** Waitkins called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm.
2. **Approval of minutes:**
 - **Motion by Chamberlain: To approve April 8, 2026, TTAC meeting minutes, as presented.**
Second by Gradert. A rollcall vote was conducted. **Motion adopted** with Saunders, Crawford, Slosek, and Rose abstaining.
3. **New Hampshire DES Stream Crossing Initiative Program:** Polly Perkins of NHDES presented the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation-funded Crossing Capacity Pilot Project. The NH Stream Crossing Initiative kicked off in January. There are over 20,000 stream crossings in NH. Over 17,000 have been assessed using this protocol, with over 15 years of data. A stream crossing is where body of water crosses a road. NHDOT, NHDES, UNH T2, Fish and Game, HSEM are all part of this initiative. The hope is to determine how to use this data to help people with troublesome stream crossings or problematic culverts. What is a more accessible way to access this data?

Stream crossing projects usually take 5 years on average to complete. Some projects can take up to 15 years. Project costs range from half a million to 1.5 million. The Pilot Project wants to provide capacity for municipalities that have small staff. Perkins will send a [searchable map](#) to Waitkins to distribute to TTAC (and Commissioners). The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) National Coastal Resilience Fund (NCRF) has a budget of almost 1 million (\$997,685) for June 2025 – December 2027.

There is a Crossing Prioritization Tool to come. They are also planning to create How-To Guides and provide PE technical assistance. They are hoping to generate a project pipeline for future projects seeking funding. The Prioritization Tool will be available in January 2027. Workshops will follow in January - September 2027. They are also hoping for a future Stream Crossing Grant Program from Federal Funding.

Borowitz, of NRPC, is currently scheduling interviews for small, medium, and large towns through June 13, 2026. The questions will be about workload, prioritization, funding, etc. Results from these interviews will be published in a Best Practices Summary on the NHSCI website. Folks can reach out to Borowitz regarding scheduling interviews regarding culverts, i.e. for conservation commission. Dams and fish ladders are a separate team. Slides from the presentation were sent to meeting attendees.

- 4. Lowell Regional Transit Authority Bus Service from Lowell to South Nashua:** Justin Howard, of LRTA, presented about the new fixed route bus service from the Gallagher Terminal in Lowell, MA to South Nashua, NH. Service is expected to begin in July. This new service, called Nashua Connection, is part of the bigger theme of connection for LRTA. In the past, they ran this route for Holiday service in Nov/Dec, which was very successful. The hope is that a full service making the connection between Nashua, NH and Lowell, MA will be a very successful program.

LRTA applied for a MassDOT program called the Connectivity Grant Program. This is a Pilot Program for 1 year of service and was awarded back in the fall. LRTA also plans to apply for another grant this fall to continue the program. LRTA has worked with the City of Nashua staff and NTS to get the program planned. Full service is planned for Mon-Sat. It will connect with NTS at the Pheasant Lane Mall and Market Basket. They are finalizing the effort now, and next steps are a marketing plan to roll out in June. July 6 is the full service start date.

LRTA will start and end at the Gallagher terminal, which also houses the commuter rail for MBTA. All buses are wheelchair accessible. They have a flag system for stopping along the way. Fare is free for now. To get to Lowell General Hospital from the Gallagher Terminal is the Route 7 bus from the terminal. The Nashua to Lowell trip is approximately a one-hour route for each way. There are bike racks on all buses. The route is timed to have quick connections with NTS. There is a rail strategy meeting scheduled for June to build a coalition. Slides from the presentation were sent to meeting attendees.

- 5. SFY2029-2038 NH Ten Year Transportation Plan (TYP) project solicitation (Attachment 2)** Waitkins provided information about the SFY2029-2038 TYP update process. It is time to start thinking about the next iteration of the State Ten-Year Plan. This process is on a 2-year update cycle. Due to financial issues, this year will be a little different. If projects are in the Ten-Year Plan now, they will automatically go into the new plan, but this year we are asking towns and cities to reprioritize their projects. Towns and cities don't need to present the projects again, but a reminder might be helpful. IIJA expires at the end of September. New legislation or continuing resolution thereafter. Not planning to do a subcommittee to score projects. If it does exist, it will look different. NRPC is initiating the Project Prioritization Process. The NHDOT guidance is:

- a. To have a limited selection process.
- b. To consider draft Ten-Year Plan projects with construction delayed as priorities.
- c. To review all Ten-Year Plan projects for scope, cost, and priority.
- d. That towns and cities can substitute an equal sized project if desired.
- e. That they are not soliciting new projects as they have done in previous years.
- f. Develop a reprioritized long-range plan "wish list" of projects.
- g. Be prepared for opportunities that may arise from the new federal surface transportation legislation.

In May/June there will be outreach to Town Administrators, BOS, Planning Boards, MPOs, & TTAC representatives with the request to:

- h. Identify transportation issues and needs that are important to your community.
- i. Review the Ten-Year Plan and Metropolitan Transportation Plan (long-range) projects in your community and provide updated information.
- j. Establish the relative priority of each project to your community.
- k. Identify any listed projects that your community no longer wants to pursue.

Timeline for the Ten-Year Plan Process SFY 2029-2038:

- **Summer 2026:** NRPC summarizes list of projects.
- **Fall 2026:** Review re-prioritized list with TTAC & Policy Committee.
- **Winter 2027:** Submit priorities to NHDOT.
- **Spring/Summer 2027:** NHDOT develops the draft 2029-2038 Ten-Year Plan.
- **Summer/Fall 2027 – Spring 2028:** GACIT/Legislative Process/Adoption.

Other upcoming projects:

- FFY 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP),
- Metropolitan Transportation [long-range] Plan (MTP) update,
- and Congestion Management Plan (CMP).

6. FFY2025-2028 TIP May Minor Revisions (Attachments 3) Waitkins reviewed regional projects affected, which are listed in packet. Informational, no action needed. No questions.

7. Other NRPC project updates Marceau: May 28th is next RCC7 meeting.

8. Municipal, State, and Federal updates

- a. **Slosek (Amherst):** Update on Amherst 42593 project. Just recently completed the study engineering phase. Unfortunately, this was a complex project with a lot of private property concerns. Board decided to go with a no build option. Working with the state now to finalize all the paperwork. Project was hoping to create a multimodal trail along the former rail bed, and this segment is all private property. Addressed ROW issues during PE with lots of public engagement. There will be an opportunity now for Amherst to swap in another project.

9. Meeting adjourned at 1:13 pm.

The next meeting is Wednesday, June 10, 2026.

Respectfully submitted by Salem Quinn, Administrative/Communications Coordinator NRPC

MEMORANDUM**ATTACHMENT 2**

TO: NRPC Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Matt Waitkins, MPO Coordinator

SUBJECT: FY2025 – 2028 NRPC TIP Amendment 5 – Analysis

DATE: June 3rd, 2026

The Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) has received proposed Amendment 5 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 5 impacts projects listed in the FY2025-2028 TIP which is part of the 2023-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) for the region.

A ten-day (10) day public comment period for Amendment 5 begins on Friday June 5th, 2026, and ends on Monday, June 15th, 2026. During this period, Amendment 5 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, June 15th, 2026, via email to mattw@nashuarpc.org or via US mail to: Matt Waitkins, NRPC, 30 Temple Street, Suite 310, 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 5. The public hearing has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 17th, 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 (44228) – NH102 - Construction of pedestrian improvements including 7,455 LF of sidewalk to eliminate gaps, including Rectangular Rapid Flashing beacons, & drainage improvements between Ledge & Alvirne Roads.

Proposed changes:

- This project is being added to the TIP.

Reason for change:

- Preliminary engineering (design) has advanced at the request of the Town of Hudson from year 2032 in the 2027-2036 Ten Year Plan, to year 2027 of the 2025-2028 TIP.

Analysis:

- Adding a project to the TIP requires an Amendment.

NASHUA (10136A) – NH101A - Capacity, pedestrian, bike, and transit improvements to NH 101A from Celina Ave to Somerset Parkway.

Proposed changes:

- The project is being removed from the TIP.

Reason for the change:

- Adjusting the project schedule to reflect the draft 2027-2036 Ten Year Plan.
- Right of Way does not show until 2030, which is beyond the final year of the 2025-2028 TIP.
- The project is therefore being removed from the TIP but is still included in the Ten Year Plan.

Analysis:

- Removing a project from the TIP requires an Amendment.

NASHUA (44354) – NH101A, NH111, NH111A, NH130 - Traffic signal phasing & timing, replace underground traffic detection loops to reduce congestion.

Proposed changes:

- Remove the Right of Way phase from the TIP.
- Moving Preliminary Engineering to FY2027.
- Decrease funding estimate within the TIP years from \$262,195 to \$175,000 (decrease by 33%)

Reason for change:

- Project funding has been shifted to reflect the project schedule and the City's priorities.
- This is a Municipally Managed project.

Analysis:

- Removing a project phase requires an Amendment, and,
- A change from the amount approved in the most current TIP of greater than 25% requires an Amendment.

Statewide/Programmatic Projects that are being amended:

None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The proposed changes made by Amendment 5 to the NRPC TIP and MTP update meet all applicable conformity requirements under the conformity rule (Fiscal Constraint information will be incorporated during the public comment period). The Draft TIP Amendment details these requirements and the NRPC actions to meet them.

Action is required by the NRPC TTAC at the June 10th meeting to recommend approval of the proposed TIP amendment 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

ATTACHMENT 3

TO: NRPC Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Matt Waitkins, MPO Coordinator

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

DATE: June 3rd, 2026

The Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) has received proposed **JUNE 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:

- **Pelham (29450)** – Bridge rehabilitation of Old Street Bridge over Beaver Brook – Bridge #109/081.

Proposed change:

- FY2026 Preliminary Engineering cost estimate increased by \$22,367. The result is an overall project funding increase within the TIP years of 0.5% (from \$4,796,354 to \$4,818,721).
- FY2026 Right of Way funding source changing from SB367-4-cents to State Aid Bridge.

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 is 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.
- A change in funding sources requires a minor revision.

- **Pelham (41751A)** – Intersection improvements (roundabout) at Mammoth Road (NH128) and Marsh Road (NH111A).

Proposed change:

- Construction phase is moving from FY2026 to FY2027.
- Federal share of Construction phase has increased, and the “Other ” share has decreased.
- The overall project cost within the TIP years has not changed.
- Construction phase funding source is being adjusted – Carbon Reduction Program funding is being removed. CMAQ and Town funding sources remain.

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 project funding estimate is being adjusted to reflect an updated project schedule.

Analysis:

- A change in funding sources requires a minor revision.

Statewide & Programmatic Projects

- None that directly impacts the NRPC region.