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RPC TAC MEETING

Minutes

October 26, 2017
RPC Conference Room

Members Present: Richard McDermott, Chair, Hampton Falls; Robert Clark, Atkinson; Tim Moore, Plaistow; Ken Christiansen, Brentwood; Juliet Walker, Portsmouth; Chris Cross, Newington; Leigh Levine, FHWA; Carol Macuch; and Elizabeth Strachan, NH DES.

Others Present: Shane Csiki and Lori Sommer, NHDES.

Staff Present: Tim Roache, Dave Walker, Scott Bogle, Jenn Rowden, Christian Matthews and Roxanne Rines, RPC.

Meeting Opened at 9:09 a.m.

1. Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves and stated what municipality they were from or the agency they represented.

2. Minutes of September 28, 2017, TAC Meeting

This item was tabled until the next TAC meeting.

3. UPWP Performance Report for FY 2016 & 2017

D. Walker stated the UPWP is the RPC's 2-year transportation work program. He reviewed the contents and highlights of the report with a powerpoint presentation.

4. GACIT Hearings/Ten Year Plan Update

D. Walker stated the remaining hearings in our region were completed and gave a brief overview of the towns that showed up and spoke about projects.

D. Walker continued that GACIT has until early January to submit their priorities to the Governor. Comments can be received until November 6th. Discussion ensued.

5. CMAQ Update

Bogle stated that DOT received all the applications. He continued there were seven applications from this region and spoke briefly about them.

6. FHWA Review of MPO Planning Process

D. Walker stated the RPC's review will be on Thursday, November 2, it is a full day of discussion. He reviewed why the review is done and some of the topics discussed. **Levine** distributed a mock agenda; TAC and Policy members are invited to attend to a brown bag lunch from noon to 1:00 pm and give any thoughts, concerns or ideas about the process.

7. MPO Public Participation Plan

Bogle stated the draft update has been completed. He reviewed the purpose, structure and changes made since the last update with a powerpoint presentation.

Motion: **J. Walker** made a motion to recommend adoption of the Public Participation Plan to the MPO Policy Committee. **Clark** seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

8. State Stream Crossing Data Collection (Shane Csiki & Lori Sommer, NHDES)

Csiki reviewed the data collection efforts and what the information will be used for during a powerpoint presentation. Discussion ensued.

Sommer stated she helps review applications that DES receives for permits. She oversees the Aquatic Resource Mitigation (ARM) funds and reviewed the program with a powerpoint presentation. There will be a 2018 grant round and reviewed the timeline. Discussion ensued.

9. Project Updates

A handout was distributed with other project updates.

Strachan mentioned the EPA has rebates for school bus replacements. Contact her if you would like more information.

The next TAC meeting will be Thursday, December 7th.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne M. Rines
Recording Secretary