

**Draft Minutes of the Transportation and Housing Choices
Technical Advisory Subcommittee Meeting**

Location: Home Builders and Remodelers Association of NH

Date: July 10, 2013

Present:

Felice Janelle, NHDES

Tom Moses, HBRANH

Becky Ohler, NHDES

Fred Roberge, Easter Seals

Katrina Crocker, SNHPC

Jen Czysz, NRPC

Adam Hlasny, SNHPC

Michael Izard, LRPC

JB Mack, SWRPC

Nate Miller, UVLSRPC

1. Introductions and Rules for Discussion

Becky Ohler called the meeting to order at 10:10. Attendees introduced themselves. B. Ohler reviewed the group's rules for discussion.

2. Review and Approve Past Meeting Minutes

Discussion and approval of the June 6, 2013 HT TASC meeting minutes was deferred to a future HT TASC meeting.

3. Transportation Existing Conditions Document Discussion (10:20AM)

JB Mack provided an overview of the purpose of this document, provided examples of potential changes discussed at the June 6 HT TASC meeting, and invited group members to share feedback on the contents. The following items and potential data sources were discussed for inclusion in the revised draft Existing Conditions Document:

- Transportation costs to be considered as a separate trend heading. Potential subcategories: personal, infrastructure, fuel, and construction costs over time, emissions, vulnerability (decreased investment caused by repair costs of storm events – potential data source Chris Skoglund, NHDES).
- Real estate values relative to proximity to public transportation – potential data sources from Massachusetts, Urban Land Institute, (others?)
- Safety – highlight five year average from the Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS).
- Alternative modes should reflect integration with economic development – businesses seem understand this relationship; it should be emphasized for public projects.
- Under System Status of Assets include:
 - Bike lanes and walking trails
 - Historic Transportation Enhancement and SRTS investment – source: NHDOT
 - (Municipal investment?)
 - Level of Service on major highways
- Air pollution – NHDES to provide appropriate measures and data.

- Public transportation:
 - SCC and RCC structure and contributions. “Considerations for the Future” – meaningful coordination to enhance infrastructure for aging and handicapped.
 - Need for broadened messaging and marketing source: Transport NH final report.
 - Percent of population served by public transportation, source: NHDOT Scorecard.
 - Historic expenditures from 5310 program, source: NHDOT
 - Graphics for aging population

4. **Transportation Plan Outline Discussion** (11:15 AM)

JB Mack noted the regional planning commissions shared responsibility developing outlines for each element of the regional plans; the transportation outline was prepared by SNHRPC. Jen Czys indicated planning commission feedback on the outline was the suggestion that contents should be integrated with NHDOT contractual work efforts conducted by the commissions. Becky Ohler reflected that the GSF Regional Transportation Planning scope of work provides good guidance for an outline: “Plans will propose implementation strategies to reduce economic barriers and impacts to natural resources, enhance public health opportunities, improve air quality and opportunities for creating location efficient housing, and reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.” The following items were discussed regarding outline revisions and additions:

- Add: regional and public transit plans such as the Coordinated Transit and Human Services Transportation Plans developed by the Regional Coordination Councils.
- Provide number of interconnected transit system connections.
- Include Complete Streets resources list.
- Add: transportation and housing affordability index.
- NHDES to provide cross reference with Transportation Climate Initiative 11 core metrics.
- Add: Parking and Travel Demand Management
- NHDES to provide fuel sales data as a proxy for fuel consumption and CO2 emissions.
- Outline page 2 – “connectivity of roads” should be “connectivity of transportation”.

5. **Future Meeting Dates** (11:40 AM)

Jen Czys noted meeting is tentatively scheduled for July 31, 2013 from 9:00-11:00AM to discuss the housing element. Based on the transportation and other feedback received to date, J. Czys anticipates a revised draft *Granite State Future Statewide Existing Conditions and Trends Assessment* to be ready for review by the end of summer. B. Ohler suggested the entire revised document be sent to the HT TASC when completed and that the group should be prepared to reconvene in September or October to discuss the document. JB Mack agreed to provide a

follow-up e-mail to TASC members outlining next steps.

6. Public Input

No members of the public were present.

7. Adjourn

Being no further business to discuss, B. Ohler adjourned the meeting at 11:47AM.

Minutes prepared by: Michael Iazard, LRPC

Date: 7/12/13

Pending Approval: Date TBD