

SouthWest Advisory Planning Committee



Identifying Transportation Needs, Construction Projects, and Studies in Your Subregion

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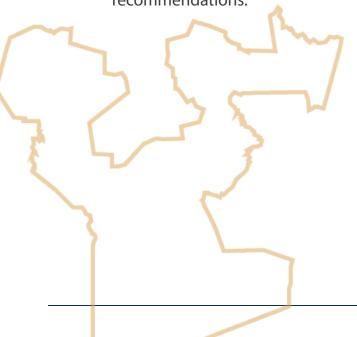
WHAT TRANSPORTATION NEEDS DID THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) IDENTIFY IN SOUTHWEST ADVISORY PLANNING COMMITTEE (SWAP) COMMUNITIES?

The <u>Boston Region MPO</u>, which is responsible for allocating federal funds to transportation projects and planning for the Boston region's transportation future, conducted an assessment of transportation needs in the Boston region to inform the MPO's Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), <u>Destination 2050</u>. The LRTP and Needs Assessment inform the MPO's planning and policy work and guide the MPO's investments in transportation infrastructure projects each year through its rolling capital plan, the <u>Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)</u>.

The following information highlights some transportation needs identified in the SWAP subregion based on MPO staff's analyses and past engagement with SWAP communities. This booklet also contains a list of SWAP projects currently programmed in the TIP.

Transportation Needs Identified in the LRTP Needs Assessment

The MPO identified transportation needs throughout the Boston region during the development of the Destination 2050 LRTP through public engagement and data analyses conducted between 2019 and 2022. These needs are documented in the *Destination 2050* Needs Assessment StoryMap collection. Key themes from the Needs Assessment are listed here by goal area. More information can be found at bostonmpo.org/lrtp or by clicking on each goal for a table with detailed needs and recommendations.





Safety



Mobility and Reliability



Access and Connectivity



Resiliency



Clean Air and **Healthy Communities**



Equity



Transportation Needs Identified through Public **Engagement in the SWAP Subregion**

The following comments were collected during MPO subregional engagement activities in the fall of 2023 and subsequent outreach.

Theme	Municipality	Specific Location	Comment	
Municipal Support/ Agency Collaboration	Franklin	Franklin	Challenges with cross-department coordination	
TIP	Medway	Medway	TIP process and funding opportunities	
Connectivity	Sherborn	Upper Charles River Trail/ East Coast Greenway	Bicycle and pedestrian connectivity	
Safety	SWAP	Route 126/Interstate 495 Interchange	Safety priority	
Municipal Support/ Agency Collaboration	Wrentham	Regionwide	Challenges in advancing projects due to financial constraints	
Municipal Support/ Agency Collaboration	Wrentham	Regionwide	Funding constraints and challenges	
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TIP	Wrentham	SWAP subregion	Six communities are applying for design pilot funding for the Metacomet Greenway project	

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Transit	Wrentham	SWAP subregion	Expanding MBTA service area
Safety	Wrentham	Wrentham	TIP process and funding opportunities

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SWAP Projects Funded in the Federal Fiscal Years 2025-29 TIP

The MPO funds transportation projects that align with LRTP goals and address needs identified in the Needs Assessment and priorities identified by SWAP municipalities and other stakeholders through engagement. The following projects are currently programmed for MPO funding over the next five years. The MPO solicits new project applications each year and programs selected projects on the TIP on an annually rolling basis. You can find more information about the TIP and how to get a project in your community funded at bostonmpo.org/tip.

Project Number	Project	Category	Municipality	Fiscal Year(s) Programmed	Cost
S12113	Transit Transformation Program	Transit Transformation	Regionwide	2026–29	\$23,000,000
S12820	Bikeshare State of Good Repair Set-Aside	Community Connections	Regionwide	2026–29	\$7,000,000
S12124	Community Connections Program	Community Connections	Regionwide	2026–29	\$8,423,415
612963	Roadway Rehabilitation of Route 126 (Hartford Road), from 800 Feet North of the Interstate 495 Northbound Ramp to Medway Town Line	Complete Streets	Bellingham	2029	\$8,340,000
612173	Bridge Replacement, B-06-022, Maple Street over Interstate 495	Bridge	Bellingham	2025	\$13,721,814
607977	Reconstruction of Interstate 90/Interstate 495 Interchange	Roadway Reconstruction	Hopkinton	2025–27	\$300,942,837

Project Number	Project	Category	Municipality	Fiscal Year(s) Programmed	Cost
608045	Rehabilitation on Route 16, from Route 109 to Beaver Street	Complete Streets	Milford	2026	\$13,548,565
613638	Bridge Preservation, Interstate 495 over State Route 109/Medway Road	Bridge	Milford	2026	\$3,744,000
S12972	MWRTA: Procurement of Three 29-Foot Buses	Transit Transformation	Milford Hopkinton Sherborn Dover	2025	\$1,980,000
S12971	MWRTA: Blandin Hub Equitable Redesign Initiative	Transit Transformation	Milford Hopkinton Sherborn Dover	2025–26	\$2,500,000
S12981	Shared-Use Path Installation (Metacomet Greenway) (Design only)	Bicycle and Pedestrian	Norfolk Wrentham	2025	\$1,550,000
S12983	Reconstruction of Route 27 and Route 16 (Design only)	Intersection Improvements	Sherborn	2025	\$900,000

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