## Federal Highway Administration Quarterly Progress Report

**REPORTING AGENCY**: Pioneer Valley Planning Commission

**FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR:** 

2022

REPORTING AGENCY: Pioneer Valley Planning Commis	551011				Quarter:	2nd
Task # / Description		Tasl Budget	Estimated Q2	Estimated Expenditures	% Quarterly	% FFY
			Expenses	to Date	Accomplishments	Accomplishments
1.0 Manage. & Cert. of the 3C Process						
1.1 Management of the 3C Process		\$40,000.00	\$10,670	\$20,507	27%	51%
1.2 Unified Transportation Work Program		\$15,000.00	\$10,510	\$10,510	70%	70%
1.3 Public Participation Process		\$26,000.00	\$7,167	\$12,544	28%	48%
1.4 TIP Development		\$131,250.00	\$38,384	\$67,825	29%	52%
1.5 Title VI & Envirionmental Justice		\$78,750.00	\$21,113	\$38,917	27%	49%
S	Subtotal	\$291,000.00	\$87,844	\$150,303	30%	52%
2.0 Technical Support & Data Collection						
2.1 Traffic Counting		\$35,000.00	\$3,212	\$10,400	9%	30%
2.2 Reg. Travel Demand Modeling/Clean Air		\$85,000.00	\$24,858	\$43,813	29%	52%
2.3 GIS, Mapping and Graphics		\$90,000.00	\$17,973	\$39,449	20%	44%
2.4 Information Center		\$37,000.00	\$17,647	\$33,276	48%	90%
2.5 Region PMS- Data Collection		\$42,000.00	\$11,810	\$21,692	28%	52%
S	Subtotal	\$289,000.00	\$75,499	\$148,630	26%	51%
3.0 RTP Planning						
3.1 Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning		\$75,000.00	\$19,082	\$37,788	25%	50%
3.2 Bike Share Implementation		\$17,500.00	\$4,485	\$8,955	26%	51%
3.3 Regional Freight Planning		\$30,000.00	\$7,490	\$14,859	25%	50%
3.4 Regional CMSProject Development		\$106,250.00	\$24,931	\$51,252	23%	48%
3.5 Regional PMSProject Development		\$50,000.00	\$14,429	\$26,238	29%	52%
3.6 Regional Performance Measures Assessment		\$18,750.00	\$4,772	\$9,302	25%	50%
3.7 Regional Safety and Planning Studies		\$115,872.00	\$28,111	\$63,074	24%	54%
3.8 Transit System Surveys & Route Implementation		\$247,500.00	\$28,513	\$55,992	12%	23%
3.9 Regional Transit Planning		\$268,750.00	\$27,320	\$57,344	10%	21%
3.10 Paratransit Planning Assistance		\$35,000.00	\$5,327	\$9,322	15%	27%
3.11 Climate Change Implementation		\$19,000.00	\$6,731	\$9,479	35%	50%
3.12 Green Streets and Infrastructure		\$19,000.00	\$2,311	\$3,923	12%	21%
s	Subtotal	\$1,002,622.00	\$173,501	\$347,529	17%	35%
4.0 Ongoing Transportation Planning						
4.1 Implementing the Regional Land Use Plan		\$15,000.00	\$5,176	\$6,674	35%	44%
4.2 Scenic Byways Support		\$7,000.00	\$2,468	\$3,123	35%	45%
4.3 Local Pavement Management Program		\$25,000.00	\$0	\$0	0%	0%
4.4 Local Technical Assistance		\$34,000.00	\$7,392	\$15,443	22%	45%
	Subtotal	\$81,000.00	\$15,036	\$25,239	19%	31%
Direc	ct Costs	\$20,000	\$3,180	\$7,192	16%	36%
	TOTAL	\$1,683,622	\$355,060	\$678.893	19%	40%



## Task: 1.1 Management of the 3-C Process

#### **Progress**

- 1. Reviewed task budgets and assigned monthly staff hours
- 2. conducted 1 PVPC staff review
- 3. Submitted forms to MassDOT for approval
- 4. Reviewed task budgets
- 5. prepared monthly staff hour assignments
- 6. submitted forms to MassDOT for approval.
- 7. Reviewed task budgets and assigned staff hours for the month
- 8. Performed an assessment of remaining budget for the 3C Contract
- 9. Reviewed job descriptions for transit planner recruitment
- 10. Completed Annual Performance Review for 1 transportation staff member
- 11. Started developing a prioritized list of culverts for repair/replacement, pulling from HMPs and MVP SOFs

#### **Products**

### Meetings

### **Objectives**

## Task: 1.2 Unified Planning Work Program

#### **Progress**

- 1. Reviewed new 3C budget for FY2023, developed a draft outline of tasks and allocated funding
- 2. Reviewed Federal and MassDOT UPWP guidance
- 3. Began review of new requirements of BIL for the UPWP
- 4. Reviewed the status of outstanding work included in the FY2022 UPWP
- 5. Reviewed information from MassDOT and FHWA on UPWP content and emphasis areas
- 6. Updated task budgets based on FFY2023 funding
- 7. Began update to UPWP report.
- 8. Attended the MassDOT MARPA Meeting on 1/28/2022
- 9. Reviewed MassDOT and FHWA emphasis areas for the FY2023 UPWP

#### **Products**

#### Meetings

1. 1/28 attendees: Roux

topic: MassDOT/MARPA Meeting

location: Zoom



## Task: 1.3 Public Participation Process

#### **Progress**

- 1. Attended Principles of Leadership Training on 3/15
- 2. Reviewed status of MassDOT update to Public Participation Plan
- 3. Amended UPWP tasks and updated content related to PPP activities.
- 4. Participated in PVPC Commission Meeting visioning exercise
- 5. transcribed notes from meeting
- 6. Attended PVPC Executive Committee Meeting
- 7. Attended and participated in EDC Committee on Virtual Public Involvement
- 8. Met with City Councilor from Springfield to discuss transportation issues and concerns
- 9. Met with JTC Chair to discuss upcoming TIP Subcommittee meeting
- 10. Began review of FHWA facts sheets on BIL

#### **Products**

### Meetings

1. 1/31 attendees: Roux

topic: Springfield City Councilor Meeting

location: Zoom2. 1/31attendees: ROUX

topic: TIP Subcommittee

location: Zoom 3. 2/10 attendees: Roux

topic: PVPC Commission Meeting

location: Zoom4. 2/24attendees: Roux

topic: PVPC Executive Committee Meeting

location: Zoom



## Task: 1.4 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development

#### **Progress**

- 1. Reviewed FFY 2022 TIP projects and began to prepare for potential amendment
- 2. Continuted to work towards a draft FFY 2023-2027 TIP
- 3. Began updating TIP documents for draft document to be available in April
- 4. Reviewed CIM journal for project advetisment updates
- 5. Continued to work with MassDOT and Municipalities to update project information in preparation for TIP development
- 6. Reviewed 2022 TIP project status
- 7. Held TEC meeting to update project scoring
- 8. Provided updated list of project to JTC and MPO
- 9. Development of Draft Project Universe
- 10. Reviewed Status of FFY 2022 projects
- 11. Prepared Transit Amendment for Endorsement by MPO

#### **Products**

- 1. Updated TEC ranking
- 2. Draft Preferred project list
- 3. Updated project list
- 4. Draft Project Universe
- 5. Transit Amendment

#### Meetings

1. 1/12/2022 attendees: Andy, Dana, Gary

topic: TIP (JTC)
location: Zoom

2. 1/25/2022
attendees: Andy, Dana, Gary
topic: TIP (MPO)
location: Zoom

attendees: Andy, Gary, Danatopic: TIP development (JTC)

2/16/22

**location:** Zoom 4. 2/22/22

attendees: Andy, Gary, Danatopic: TIP development (MPO)

location: Zoom5. 2/9/22attendees: Andy, Garytopic: TIP Sub committee

location: Zoom

### **Objectives**

1. Continue to advance TIP development schedule



### Task: 1.5 Title VI and Environmental Justice

#### **Progress**

- 1. Attended the WMTAN monthly meeting
- 2. Began work on Equity Assessment for the FY2023 UPWP.
- 3. Coordinated schedules and registration for PVPC racial sensitivity and awareness training
- 4. Reviewed preliminary census data related to race.
- 5. Provided documentation of Title I actitvies to PVTA related to FTA certification review.
- 6. Attended the WMTAN meeting
- 7. Attended the BikePed monthly meeting and noted down comments on the PV 2021 Bike Month Report.
- 8. Participated in the JTC TIP Subcommittee meeting on 2/9
- 9. Registered for Healing Racism training seminar.
- 10. Reviewed language translations used in Bay State Bike Month calendar/poster
- 11. Reviewed FHWA guidance on measuring equity using new GIS mapping tools and new metrics.
- 12. Reviewed information/facts sheets on the BIL
- 13. Attended webinar on the CTTP software used for viewing and analyzing census data at various geographical area levels.
- 14. Attendedt virtual bike month planning meeting for 2022.
- 15. Reviewed data collection plan and proposed surveys of participants and organizers of the 2022 Bike Month event and gave feedback to MassBike representative.
- 16. Responded to inquiries by bike advocates regarding upcoming Bike Month planning meetings.
- 17. Attended virtual meeting of the TRB Visualization in Transportation committee. This included presentations on Best Practices for effective data visualizations that tell the true story using excell plots, charts, tables, and maps. Topics included consideration related to choice of visualization, composition, color themes, and how to emphasize data relevant to various target audiences. They also referred to digital accessibility tools and federal guidance to accessible digital content compliance.

#### **Products**

#### Meetings

1. 2/9 attendees: Roux

topic: JTC TIP Subcommittee Meeting

location: Zoom



## Task: 2.1 Traffic Counting

### **Progress**

- 1. Responded to traffic count requests.
- 2. Responded to traffic count requests.
- 3. Prepared the database for entry of 2021 ADTs.
- 4. Responded to traffic count requests.

### **Products**

Meetings

## Task: 2.2 Regional Travel Demand Modeling/Clean Air Planning

#### **Progress**

- 1. Followed up with MAPC about receipt of PVPC zoning data for use in land use and data projections
- 2. Continued to update traffic count data base with most recent volumes for major roads
- 3. Met with colleague to discuss model script modifications.
- 4. Discussed and updated the UPWP task 2.2 for the upcoming work program in 2023.
- 5. Reviewed and compared model results and socioeconomic totals.
- 6. Identified the need for corrections to employment totals and a rerun model for 2020, 2030 then archival of corrected results.
- 7. Met with colleague to discuss mode choice and data needs for potential upgrades to the current regional travel demand model.
- 8. Updated the model counts data base spreadsheet with recent AADT from MassDOT and CTDOT traffic counts data portals for the external stations.
- 9. Identified needed traffic counts in order of priority for locations without recent counts.
- 10. Discussed model processes with colleague and identified areas of improvements to current software macro.
- 11. Reviewed traffic count comparison during and pre-pandemic difference variance at various locations of the Pioneer Valley.
- 12. Attended the SEPC meeting and followed up with supervisors on updates and requested data.
- 13. Searched for zoning maps for 7 communities and located and printed zoning and overlay maps for two of them from online sources.
- 14. Updated the zoning data spreadsheet with new find and web links.
- 15. Edited the Future Goals and finalized the Pioneer Valley 2021 Bike Month Report.
- 16. Attended the CTPP Advanced software virtual training for using the Census data products.
- 17. Continued to update the model count database and added recent counts for permanent stations.
- 18. Cross checked results of model year TAZ databases and Land Use socioeconomic spreadsheets against regional totals for projection year to detect errors in input projection totals for the employment category.
- 19. Reviewed model script analysis summary of collaboration document.
- 20. Assessed zoning data gaps and updated spreadsheet with most recent map product dates.
- 21. Discussed the travel model computer coding scripts with colleagues
- 22. Reviewed the typical use of k-factors in travel demand modeling
- 23. Began updating the historic traffic count database used in the trip generation and calibration of the regional travel demand model.
- 24. Reviewed traffic count comparison analysis for 2020 and 2021 data at key locations throughout the Pioneer Valley.
- 25. Conducted online searches for zoning maps of remaining Pioneer Valley communities. Downloaded pdf files and captured jpeg images from published reports and online GIS portals. Archived files in preparation for uploading to MAPC website.
- 26. Studied the impact of PUMA geography on PUMS data availability for use in the seed file of the new 2020 base year model's IPF proces in the trip generation step.
- 27. Discussed the proposed PUMA alternatives offered by the SDC and how each option would impact the accuracy of census data for Pioneer Valley region. Gave recommendations to PVPC Data Center staff on recommended PUMA geography for Hampshire county PUMAs and followed up on outcome from SDC.
- 28. Reviewed presentation materials and recording of the Statewide Socioeconomic Projections committee.
- 29. Attended CTTP webinar on getting to know available data.
- 30. Discussed model calibration tasks and schedule with supervisor.
- 31. Attended webinar on creating web QGIS maps and GitHub repositories.
- 32. Reviewed the Census and FHWA announcements regarding new criteria for urbanized area designations to determine impacts on the Pioneer Valley region and estimated data release schedule for inclusion in the upcoming RTP
- 33. Attended a virtual training on creating maps with Google Earth Pro.

#### **Products**



### **Objectives**

## Task: 2.3 GIS, Mapping and Graphics

#### **Progress**

- 1. Graphics staff prepared a new document cover for Ludlow Pavement management report.
- 2. Updates to design and content for the MPO web page.
- 3. Continued work with Transportation planners and Cartegraph, supporting the converstion of pavament databases and migration to a new online pavement management system.
- 4. Prepared Ludlow roadway classification map for the town's Pavement Management report.
- 5. Worked on PVTA Rider Survey Interpolation Map online
- 6. Worked on MassDOT Large Bridge Traffic Count Locations online map
- 7. Worked on TIP 2023-2027 data development for analysis, report tables, report maps and online map. Work continuing into April.
- 8. Staff prepared content and materials for posting to the website.
- 9. Staff continued to work on migration of pavement data and integration of GIS and the new online management system.
- 10. Staff worked on processing GIS data pertaining to Mtn. bike trails.
- 11. Data man agent and updates to bike paths and bike lane map layers.
- 12. GIS staff worked on updates to the trail connectivity online tool.
- 13. Continued work with Cartegraph data migration project to convert from client-based system to cloud-based online platform.

#### **Products**

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## Task: 2.4 Information Center

### **Progress**

- 1. Worked on developing online data dashboard to summarize Valley Bike usage.
- 2. Cotninued updating of regional database.
- 3. Updates to data in regional database and PV Data website.
- 4. Work with transportation staff to visual bike share program use data.
- 5. Begin planning bike share data dashboard
- 6. Continued updating of regional database including data specific to regional employers and employment during COVID.

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**Objectives** 

## Task: 2.5 Regional Pavement Management System - Data Collection

#### **Progress**

- 1. Completed pavement distress data collection in Easthampton.
- 2. Started pavement distress data collection in Huntington and Chester.
- 3. Continued the pavement distress data collection in Easthampton.
- 4. Completed pavement distress data collection in Holyoke.
- 5. Started data collection in Easthampton.

#### **Products**

Meetings



## Task: 3.1 Regional Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Complete Streets Planning

#### **Progress**

- 1. Coordinated meeting notice and agenda for Bay State Bike Month
- 2. Participated in Bay State Bike Month weekly meetings.
- 3. Reached out to communities and bike merchants to solicitic participation in Bay State Bike Month
- 4. Prepared draft event calendar for Bay State Bike Month
- 5. Prepared and distributed JTC Bicycle and Pedestrian and Complete Streets Subcomittee meeting notice and agenda
- 6. Field visit to Chicopee Riverwalk and Bikeway construction project.
- 7. Scouted count location for bicycle counts
- 8. Coordinated the meeting notice and distribution for the Joint Transportation Committee's Bicycle, Pedestrian and Complete Streets subcommittee.
- 9. Prepared meeting presentation (PowerPoint) and agenda for the Joint Transportation Committee's Bicycle, Pedestrian and Complete Streets subcommittee.
- 10. Responded to inquires from municipalities regarding the MassDOT Shared Streets and Spaces Program
- 11. Conducted field visit to the Connecticut Riverwalk and Bikeway in Chicopee MA
- 12. Researched the used of FLIR cameras for bicycle and pedestrian traffic counting.
- 13. Assisted communities with grant applications, including bike share station installations.
- 14. Began planning for Bay State Bike Month 2022.
- 15. Reviewed edits needed for bike commute month report and address pagination errors.
- 16. Attended the monthly Bike/Ped meeting to encourage attendees to give their feedback on the Bike commute month report.
- 17. Created alternative text as captions for images included in the draft Pioneer Valley Bike Month report.

#### **Products**

Meetings



## Task: 3.2 Bike Share Implementation

#### **Progress**

- 1. Worked on the draft version of the ValleyBike Year 4 Assessment Report
- 2. Reviewed December ValleyBike data and prepared for summary report
- 3. Attended ValleyBike Committee Meeting on 2/16
- 4. ValleyBike Meeting on 1/19
- 5. Met with Massbike to talk about outreach to the elderly
- 6. met with staff on development of a data dashboard for ValleyBike

#### **Products**

1. ValleyBike Year 4 Assessment Draft Report

### Meetings

1. 1/13 attendees: Roux

topic: Massbike outreach

location: Zoom
2. 1/19
attendees: Roux
topic: ValleyBike
location: Zoom
3. 2/16
attendees: Roux
topic: ValleyBike



## Task: 3.3 Regional Freight Planning

#### **Progress**

- 1. Attended DUG Meeting on 3/9
- 2. Worked on development of agenda for 3/9 DUG meeting
- 3. Met with CRCOG staff for annual bi-state coordination meeting
- 4. Attended Methos to Improve Fright Perfromance Webinar on 3/21
- 5. Participated in the TIP Readiness meeting on 2/3
- 6. Met with FHWA to discuss MPO coordination efforts with FLMA
- 7. Reviewed data collection on signs for overweight structures via Google Maps
- 8. Attended JTC meeting on 1/12
- 9. Continued work on Overweight structure report

#### **Products**

### Meetings

1. 1/12
attendees: Roux
topic: JTC
location: Zoom
2. 2/3
attendees: Roux

topic: FLMA Coordination

location: Teams3. 2/3attendees: Roux

topic: TIP Readiness

location: Zoom4. 3/2attendees: Roux

topic: CRCOG Bi-state coordination

location: Zoom5. 3/21attendees: Roux

topic: Methods to Improve Freight Performance

location: Virtual6. 3/9attendees: Rouxtopic: DUGlocation: Zoom



## Task: 3.4 Regional Congestion Management Process

#### **Progress**

- 1. Continued to Work in the RITIS Probe Data Analytics Suite
- 2. Began uploading Monthly analysis to our MPO website
- 3. Began laying out monthly analysis summary reports
- 4. Attended Principles of Leadership Training on 3/29
- 5. Attneded SHSP meetings on 3/18 and 3/23
- 6. Participated in MEPA Advisory Committee Meetigs on 3/4 and 3/18
- 7. Park and Ride data collection
- 8. Continued to work with RITIS data
- 9. Attended the February DUG meeting
- 10. Coordinated the agenda and presentations for the DUG meeting
- 11. Attended MARPA meeting on 2/22
- 12. DUG meeting on 1/12
- 13. MPO meeting on 1/25
- 14. worked on the Belchertown Main Street/Park Street study
- 15. Presentation on RITIS Data for DUG meeting

#### **Products**

- 1. http://pvmpo.pvpc.org/february-2022-congestion-scan/
- 2. Park and Ride monthly summary
- 3. DUG Presentation

#### Meetings

1. 1/12

attendees: Roux, McCaultopic: Data Users Group

location: Zoom 1/25 attendees: Roux MPO topic: location: Zoom 2/22 attendees: Roux topic: MARPA location: Zoom 2/9 attendees: Roux topic: DUG

### **Objectives**



## Task: 3.5 Regional Pavement Management System-Project Development

### **Progress**

- 1. Continued pavement distress data entry for Chicopee.
- 2. Developed a backlog of repairs for Ludlow.
- 3. Continued with pavement distress data entry in Ludlow.
- 4. Continued with pavement distress data entry in Ludlow.

### **Products**

Meetings



## Task: 3.6 Regional Performance Measures Assessment

#### **Progress**

- 1. Performance Measures Safety TargetsSubcommittee Meeting
- 2. ValleyBike Meeting
- 3. Met with staff from SRPEDD to discuss Bike share
- 4. Began update of perfromance targets for the FY2023 UPWP
- 5. Attended Performance Measures Subcommittee meeting on 2/2
- 6. Entered updates for the region into MassBuilds
- 7. Reviewed regional model data for external stations to assist in update process to 2020 base year
- 8. Developed presentation on Safety Performance Measures and Targets for the JTC and MPO
- 9. Attended the TMG meeting on 1/4

#### **Products**

### Meetings

1. 1/4
attendees: Roux
topic: TMG
location: Zoom
2. 2/2
attendees: Roux

topic: Performance Measures Subcommittee

location: Zoom3. 3/10attendees: Roux

topic: Performance Measures Subcommittee

location: Zoom
4. 3/14
attendees: Roux

topic: BikeShare Meeting with SRPEDD

location: Zoom
5. 3/16
attendees: Roux
topic: ValleyBike
location: Zoom



## Task: 3.7 Regional Safety and Planning Studies

### **Progress**

- 1. Worked on the advancement of the Page Blvd at Bircham Street safety study
- 2. Reviewed the traffic signal warrant using the HCS software
- 3. Continued work on the analysis of existing conditions data for the study of the intersection of St. James Avenue with Worthington Street
- 4. Worked on Page Boulevard and Bircham Street Study
- 5. Started work on Springfield Intersections Traffic Data Collection
- 6. Surveyed the intersection of Page Boulevard and Bircham Street
- 7. Performed Turning Movement Counts at Page and Bircham Street
- 8. Worked on Tablue Software

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## Task: 3.8 Transit System Surveys & Route Impementation

#### **Progress**

- 1. Attended JTC meeting on 3/9
- 2. DOT Webinar on BIL
- 3. Assisted with survey staffing on Northern Tier survey
- 4. Reviewed Northern Tier Survey Budgets
- 5. Assisted in the intern recruitment process
- 6. Reviewed grant proposal budgets.
- 7. Northern System Survey Design and Testing for finalization, coordination with AIM grantee team for use of data in model validation
- 8. Translation of paper and digital Northern System surveys into Spanish
- 9. Attended the FTA webinar on the BIL on 1/7
- 10. Reviewed resumes for transit planner position
- 11. Participated in interviews for the transit planner position
- 12. Transferred PVTA surveys to the PVTA survey monkey account (upon request from PVTA)
- 13. PVTA APC data ridership report process pass on from Amelia to Alex
- 14. Reported on fare-free challenges and benefits discussed in AIM panel to PVTA
- 15. Reported on Pandemic Travel Behavior discussion from TRB Annual meeting to PVTA

#### **Products**

- 1. Northern System Survey Spanish Translation
- 2. Fare Free Notes AIM Quarterly Discussion Panel.docx
- 3. TRB Pandemic Travel Behavior.docx

### Meetings

1. 1/21/2022

attendees: Amelia, Tolu, Alex, Umass NARS Lab, Justin (FTA)topic: FTA AIM Grant (PVTA ODX) group meeting

**location:** Zoom 2. 1/26/2022

attendees: Peter, Alex, Amelia, PVTA: Paul, Tolu, Operators

topic: Service Review Meeting

**location:** Zoom 3. 1/27/2022

attendees: Amelia, All-AIM (quarterly) recipients, FTA reps

topic: Fare-Free panel by four transit agencies nationwide (FTA/AIM sponsored)

location: Zoom4. 1/7/2022attendees: Alex, Amelia

topic: APC data SQL process pass on

location: Zoom5. 1/7/2022attendees: Rouxtopic: BILlocation: Teams



6. 2/18/2022

attendees: Paul Burns, Tolu Oke, Peter K., Amelia M.

topic: Survey review and revisions

location: Zoom
7. 3/8
attendees: Roux
topic: BIL
location: Zoom
8. 3/9
attendees: Roux
topic: JTC
location: Zoom



## Task: 3.9 Regional Transit Planning

### **Progress**

- 1. Northern System Survey On Bus Monitor Annoucnements sent to Brandy (PVTA)
- 2. Northern System Survey Translation Processes
- 3. Northern System Survey Umass Wifi Assistance
- 4. PVTA PTASP ESRP Updates
- 5. PVTA PTASP Operator ESRP Updates
- 6. Northern System Survey Special B79 Matierals Development
- 7. Northern System Survey On board intern training documents development
- 8. Northern System Survey Intern Management
- 9. Northern System Survey Review of progress
- 10. PVTA PTASP ESRP ASP Updates
- 11. NTD
- 12. PVTA PTASP Safety and Compliance Coordinator Additions
- 13. PVTA PTASP Safety Committee Changes based on CARES ACT Rule
- 14. Bytemark Data Analysis R Script
- 15. Bytemark Analysis Stops to Corridors to Thiessen Polygons QGIS
- 16. Northern System Survey Route Priorities
- 17. Multi-town data request from Catherine Ratte to Peter K and PVTA
- 18. Northern System Survey Materials drops
- 19. Northern System Survey paper survey data entry
- 20. PVTA PTASP Replacement of Safety Concern Acknowledgement Forms with Employee Reporting Program
- 21. TAM Plan Timeline
- 22. RAISE APP Grant Research
- 23. Northern System Survey intern interview requests
- 24. Northern System Survey Intern interviews scheduled
- 25. Northern System Survey Internship Announcement Civil Engineering/Transportation Center
- 26. PTASP ESRP Poster
- 27. NTD
- 28. X90 OPT/Ridership Analysis
- 29. Northern System Survey Survey tool review
- 30. Northern System Survey Organization
- 31. Northern System Survey Paper Survey Updates
- 32. Northern System Survey Transit App Notifications
- 33. Northern System Survey Onboard E-Flyer
- 34. Northern System Survey UMTS Dispatch Processes
- 35. Northern System Survey Alchemer Survey Tool Subscription
- 36. Northern System Survey Tablet configuring
- 37. Northern System Survey Contracts
- 38. Northern System Survey Online Survey Form Updates
- 39. Shared Winter Streets and Spaces QGIS maps stop improvements, budget
- 40. Northern System Survey Hiring practices
- 41. Northern System Survey Timeline
- 42. Responded to inquiries regarding updated to the Public Participation Plan



## Catalyst for Regional Progress PVPC (114671) FFY 2022 Activity Progress Report - Quarter 2

- 43. Continued support on AIM project, provided APC and Bytemark Updates to NARS team
- 44. Brainstormed ODX use cases for ODX AIM project
- 45. Confirmed resolution of Bytemarks data issues from September and October
- 46. Enhancing mobility grant Demonstration of innovation
- 47. November NTD
- 48. Enhancing mobility innovation grant demonstration of innovation
- 49. Enhancing mobility innovation grant Demonstration of Benefit
- 50. 2022 TAM Plan Update Outline
- 51. TAM Plan Rule Review
- 52. Existing TAM Plan Review
- 53. CPT-HST Plan Public Participation Process
- 54. TAM Plan Updating existing document
- 55. PTASP/TAM Plan PVTA Organizational chart Update (BIL and Org Changes)
- 56. TAM Plan Updating with CIP data FY2022
- 57. December NTD
- 58. CPT-HST Plan Review for PVMPO JTC Meeting
- 59. CPT-HST Plan review of webpage content
- 60. TAM Plan Service Area Map
- 61. TAM Plan Review of data needs
- 62. Triennial PVTA Service Area Map
- 63. Facebook COVID Datasets Review
- 64. Triennial PVTA Population Statistics
- 65. CPT-HST Outreach Plan
- 66. Northern System Survey Question Updates (from 2020)
- 67. Bytemark Origin to Origin Project R studio
- 68. Bytemark Origin to Origin Project QGIS
- 69. Northern System Survey Intern Advertisement
- 70. HOPE Grant Review
- 71. Northern System Survey Paper Survey Form Updates
- 72. TAM Plan and AECOM CRTP Coordination Review
- 73. Northern System Survey Internship Interviews scheduling
- 74. Presentation of PVTA innovation at the Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting
- 75. Monthly Ridership (including year in review ridership report)
- 76. Shared Winter Streets EJ Map
- 77. Shared Winter Streets Below Mass. Median Income Map
- 78. Shared Winter Sstreets Review of Application
- 79. Shared Winter Streets Locus Maps
- 80. Northern System Survey Inter Scheduled
- 81. Northern System Survey Handshake Account Review/Mainenance
- 82. Northern System Survey Online Survey Reiew
- 83. PVTA PTASP implementation meeting scheduled
- 84. Northern System Survey Intern Info Session Prep (Umass SBS Career Fair)
- 85. Northern System Survey Intern Interview Prep
- 86. Northern System Survey Review of 2020 survey coutn methodology
- 87. Northern System Survey Review survey collection strategy for bias



- 88. Northern System Survey Online Survey Translation
- 89. Northern System Survey AIM Grant Survey Changes
- 90. Northern System Survey Onine instrument changes at direction of PVTA
- 91. Shared Winter Streets Budget Update
- 92. Northern System Survey Technology Prep
- 93. Northern System Survey Intern Training
- 94. Northern System Survey Time of Day Day of Week Analysis
- 95. Northern System Survey Operator Assistance Nashawannuck Express,
- 96. Northern System Survey Wifi Hookups
- 97. Northern System Survey Intern Communication
- 98. Northern System Survey On Board Monitor Flyers
- 99. Northern System Survey Transit App Notifications sent to Jonathan at SATCo
- 00. Northern System Survey Live Link sent to Tolu at PVTA
- 01. Intern Contracts x6 sent to interns
- 02. Northern System Survey Finalized Survey instrument
- 03. Northern System Survey Coordination with PVTA Operator: Hulmes
- 04. Northern System Survey On Bus Material Development

#### **Products**

- 1. PVTA Population (Abridged File).xlsx
- 2. TRB Lecture 1331 Fare Impact Analysis Morrissey Oke.ppt
- 3. Ridership Report 01112022.ppt

#### Meetings

1. attendees:

topic: location:

2. 1/14/2022

attendees: Alex, Peter, Amelia, Danatopic: PVPC Transit Team Meeting

**location:** Zoom 3. 1/18/2022

attendees: Peter, Alex, Amelia, PVTA: Tolutopic: Fortnightly PVTA-PVPC Meeting

location: Zoom4. 1/20/2022attendees: Peter, PVTA: Tolu

topic: Weekly Check-In Meeting

*location:* Zoom5. 1/21/2022

attendees: Peter, Alex, Amelia, Dana

topic: PVPC Weekly Transit Division meeting

location: Zoom6. 1/25/2022attendees: Peter, Alex

topic: HOPE Grant Meeting



7. 1/25/2022

attendees: Peter, Alex, Amelia, Dana, PVTA: Paul, Tolu

topic: Service Visioning Meeting

**location:** Zoom 8. 1/28/2022

attendees: Peter, Alex, Amelia, Danatopic: PVPC Transit Team Meeting

location: Zoom9. 1/28/2022attendees: Peter, Amelia

topic: Bytemark and R Studio

**location:** Zoom 0. 1/4/2022

attendees: Alex, Amelia, Peter, PVTA: Tolutopic: PVTA-PVPC Fortnightly Meeting

**location:** Zoom 11. 1/7/2022

attendees: Alex, Peter, Amelia, Danatopic: PVPC Transit Team Meeting

*location:* Zoom 12. 1/7/2022

attendees: Peter Call with Andy

topic: CPT-HST Plan and TIP Coordination

location: Phone
13. 1/7/2022
attendees: Peter, FTA

topic: Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill

**location:** Zoom 4. 1/7/2022

attendees: Peter, PVTA: Tolu
topic: Weekly Check-In Meeting

**location:** Zoom 15. 2/1/2022

attendees: Alex, Amelia, Peter, PVTA: Tolu

topic: PVTA-PVPC Meeting

**location:** Zoom 16. 2/15/2022

attendees: Peter, Alex, Amelia, PVTA: Tolu

topic: PVTA-PVPC Meeting

*location:* Zoom 17. 2/17/2022

attendees: Amelia M., AIM Grantee representatives, SUMC, FTAtopic: Novel Data Sources group meeting, AIM project updates

**location:** Zoom 18. 2/18/2022

attendees: Amelia M., Tolu Oke, Mohammed M. (NARS at Umass), Jimi O. (NARS at Umass), Justin J. (FTA)

topic: ODX Project group meeting, survey data for validation, progress update from NARS



19. 2/18/2022

attendees: Peter, Alex, Amelia, Danatopic: PVPC Transit Team Meeting

*location:* Zoom 20. 2/18/2022

attendees: Peter, Amelia, Alex, PVTA: Tolu, Paultopic: Northern System Survey Questions Meeting

*location:* Zoom 21. 2/2/2022

attendees: Peter, PVTA: Paul and Operators and Frontline Staff

topic: Safety Committee Meeting

*location:* Zoom22. 2/22/2022

attendees: Peter, Alex, Amelia, Dana, PVTA: Paul, Tolu

topic: Service Visioning meeting

**location:** Zoom 2/24/2022

attendees: Peter, PVTA: Tolu

topic: Weekly Check-in with PVTA

*location:* Zoom 24. 2/25/2022

attendees: Peter, Alex, Amelia, Danatopic: PVPC Transit Team Meeting

**location:** Zoom
25. 2/25/2022

attendees: Peter, PVTA: Tolu

topic: Shared Winter Streets Application meeting

location: Zoom
26. 2/3/2022
attendees: Peter

topic: FTA TAM Plan Webinar

 location:
 Zoom

 27.
 2/4/2022

 attendees:
 Amelia, Peter

 topic:
 R Studio

 location:
 Zoom

 28.
 2/4/2022

attendees: Peter, Alex, Amelia, Danatopic: PVPC Transit Team Meeting

location: Zoom
 29. 2/7/2022
 attendees: Peter

topic: Intern Interview

 location:
 Zoom

 30.
 2/7/2022

 attendees:
 Peter

topic: Intern Interview



31. 2/8/2022 *attendees:* Peter

topic: Intern Interview

*location:* Zoom 32. 2/8/2022

attendees: Peter, Alex, Amelia, Dana, PVTA: Paul and Tolu

topic: Service Visioning Meeting

*location:* Zoom 33. 3/10/2022

attendees: Peter K, Intern Geoffrey

topic: Northern System Survey Intern Scheduling

location: Call

34. 3/10/2022

attendees: Peter K, PVTA: Tolutopic: Weekly Check-In Meeting

**location:** Zoom 3/11/2022

attendees: Peter K, Dana R., Alex F, Amelia Mtopic: Weekly Transit Team Meeting

*location:* Zoom 36. 3/11/2022

attendees: Peter K, PVTA: SATCO: Jonathan M

topic: Northern System Survey Transit App Notification conversation

location: Zoom
37. 3/12/2022
attendees: Peter K, Dana R
topic: Materials Drop
location: Parking lot
38. 3/12/2022

attendees: Peter K, Intern Jared

topic: Intern Scheduling Northern System Survey

*location:* Call39. 3/12/2022

attendees: Peter K, with Intern Gehoffrey

topic: Northern System Survey Intern Scheduling

*location:* Call 90. 3/14/2022

attendees: Peter K, Hulmes: Paul A.

topic: Northern System Survey Materials Drop

location: Hulmes, Belchertown, MA

41. 3/14/2022

attendees: Peter K, PVTA: Paultopic: PTASP Meeting

**location:** Zoom 42. 3/17/2022

attendees: Peter K, Alex F, Amelia M, PVTA: et.Al

topic: Service Review Meeting



43. 3/17/2022

attendees: Peter K, PVTA: Tolutopic: Weekly Check-In with Tolu

*location:* Zoom 44. 3/18/2022

attendees: Peter K, Amelia M

topic: Bytemark Analysis - R Script

*location:* Zoom 45. 3/2/2022

attendees: Peter K, PVTA: Paul, Operatorstopic: PVTA Safety Committee Meeting

**location:** Zoom 6. 3/21/2022

attendees: Peter K, Interns Andrew, Angela, Geoffrey

topic: Intern Scheduling

**location:** Zoom 47. 3/22/2022

attendees: Peter K, Dana R, Alex F, PVTA: Paul and Tolu

topic: Service Visioning Meeting

**location:** Zoom 48. 3/24/2022

attendees: Peter K, PVTA: Tolu

topic: Weekly Check-In with PVTA

*location:* Zoom 49. 3/25/2022

attendees: Peter K, Amelia M, Alex F, Dana Rtopic: Weekly Transit Team Meeting

location: Zoom
50. 3/28/2022
attendees: Peter K, Amelia
topic: Bytemark R script

*location:* Zoom 51. 3/29/2022

attendees: Peter K, VATCO, UMTS

topic: Northern System Survey Paper Survey Pickup

location: VATCo Garage, UMTS

52. 3/3/2022

attendees: Peter K Umass studenttopic: Internship Interview

**location:** Zoom 53. 3/3/2022

attendees: Peter K, Amelia M, Alex F, PVTA Paul, Tolu, Operators

topic: Route Efficiencies Meeting

*location:* Zoom 54. 3/3/2022

attendees: Peter K, Umass Students various

topic: Northern System Internship Information sessions at Umass SBS Virtual Career Fair



55. 3/30/2022

attendees: Peter K, Alex, PVTA: Paul, Tolutopic: HOPE Grant Paratransit Program

*location:* Zoom 56. 3/31/2022

attendees: Peter K, Alex F, PVTA: Paul, Tolu, et.Al

topic: Route Efficiencies Meeting

*location:* Zoom57. 3/31/2022

attendees: Peter K, Intern Kareem

topic: Northern System Survey Training

*location:* Zoom 58. 3/31/2022

attendees: Peter K, PVTA: Tolutopic: Weekly Check-In Meeting

**location:** Zoom 59. 3/4/2022

attendees: Peter K, Alex F, Dana R

topic: Weekly PVPC Transit Team Meeting

location: Zoom
50. 3/4/2022
attendees: Peter K, Amelia

topic: Northern System Survey Collection Methodology Bias

**location:** Zoom 51. 3/4/2022

attendees: Peter K. and Studenttopic: Internship Interviews x2

*location:* Zoom 52. 3/7/2022

attendees: Peter K, and student

topic: Northern system Survey Intern Interview

**location:** Zoom 53. 3/7/2022

attendees: Peter K, PVTA: Tolu

topic: Week Check--In Meeting with Tolu

**location:** Zoom 54. 3/8/2022

attendees: Peter K, Amelia M, Alex F, Dana R, PVTA: Tolu and Paul

topic: Service Visioning Meeting

**location:** Zoom 55. 3/8/2022

attendees: Peter K, Amelia M, Alex F, PVTA: Tolutopic: PVPC-PVTA Fortnightly Meeting

location: Zoom 56. 3/8/2022 attendees: Peter K, Amir

topic: Northern System Survey Intern Management Strategies



67. 3/8/2022

attendees: Peter K, Intern Geoffrey

topic: Northern System Survey Training

location: Zoom

#### **Objectives**

## Task: 3.10 Paratransit Planning Assistance

### **Progress**

- 1. Attended a webinar on managing transit equity.
- 2. Coordinated appeal meeting time for hearing bus rider suspension case.
- 3. Responded to PVTA inquiry on appeals committee decision to reinstate a suspended bus passenger.
- 4. Listened to APTA conference recordings
- 5. Attended virtual presentation by colleague on her career experience in Transit and modeling.
- 6. No hours charged to task
- 7. Attended pre appeal meeting to review bus camera footage of incident. Reviewed bus incident documentation and suspension letters. Surveyed committee member availability to facilitate the scheduling of the bus rider appeal hearing.
- 8. Attended bus rider appeal hearing, discussed case with appeal committee members, reviewed bus rider recent incident report, drafted decision letter for bus rider appeal, received feedback from bus appeal committee members and emailed final letter of denial to PVTA fo processing and mailing to permanently suspended rider.
- 9. Identified an issue with the PVTA bus schedule website for android devices and provided feedback to PVTA for improved access to current schedule data which currently does not allow viewing without downloading.
- 10. Responded to paratransit appeal hearing requests.

#### **Products**

Meetings



## Task: 3.11 Climate Change Impementation

#### **Progress**

- 1. Advance E-Bikes for EJ pilot project
- 2. Staff regional Clean Energy Climate Action group
- 3. Support work on local GHG emissions inventories.
- 4. Respond to inquiries about clean energy and efforts to reduce GHG emissions from transportation, sharing information about Evs charging stations and access to rebates from the state and federal government
- 5. Support the regional clean energy climate action committee
- 6. Began search for model floodplain bylaw with flood elevation guidance
- 7. 2-18 info share meet with Rep. Blais and follow up on dirt and gravel roads vulnerability
- 8. Assisted 4 Hilltown communities with writing up concept summary for dirt roads and culvert analysis
- 9. 2-3 met with state floodplain manager on FEMA mapping updates and levy assessment analysis
- 10. Worked with the members of the Pioneer Valley Clean Energy Climate Action group to explain and clarify updated regional GHG emissions inventory
- 11. Communicated with Commonwealth MOR EV program staff affirming availability of incentive funds
- 12. Prepared for quarterly meeting of CE CA group
- 13. Worked with Community Foundation of W MA to secure funding for Access Passes for ValleyBike as part of regional effort to promote less polluting transportation

#### **Products**

### Meetings

1. 2-18

attendees: N. Blais and PVPC staff

topic: info share on dirt and gravel roads vulnerability

*location:* zoom2. 2-3-22

attendees: J. Duperault, P. Gambarini

topic: FEMA mapping updates and levy assessment analysis

location: zoom



#### Task: 3.12 Green Streets and Infrastructure

#### **Progress**

- 1. Finalized and distributed checklist for updating municipal code to advance green streets and green infrastructure practices
- 2. Prepared for and met with consulting engineer 3-30; and provided follow up materials to organize for design of 5 to 7 bmp templates for the region
- 3. 2-9 meeting to review TIP projects in region
- 4. 2-9 meeting with Springfield Schools on green infrastructure/garden project
- 5. Prepared scope of work for green infrastructure bmp designs
- 6. Finished Gi-LID checklist for municipal use
- 7. No hours charged to task

#### **Products**

- 1. GI designs scope of work
- 2. GI-LID checklist for municipal use

### Meetings

1. 2--9-22

attendees: A. Getman-Skillicorn, R. Antosca from schools and P. Gambarini

topic: green infrastructure/garden project

**location:** zoom 2. 2--9-22

attendees: PVPC staff and muni reps

topic: TIP projects location: zoom
3. 3-30-22

attendees: P. Gambarini, R. Roseen

topic: Preparing for GI advisory group meetings

location: Zoom



## Task: 4.1 Implementing the Regional Land Use Plan

#### **Progress**

- 1. Staff regional smart growth group, Valley Development Council
- 2. Staff Regional Housing committee
- 3. Attend Fair Housing Civil Rights conference
- 4. Support and staff the regional housing committee and the Valley Development council, our regional smart growth committee
- 5. Assisted the Town of Monson with advancing sustainable development, climate resilience and smart growth as part of the open space planning process.
- 6. Publicized and staffed the quarterly meeting of the regional smart growth working group, the Valley Development Council
- 7. Planned for and publicized the quarterly meeting of the regional housing committee that will happen in Feb due to a scheduling problem

#### **Products**

Meetings



## Task: 4.2 Scenic Byways Support

#### **Progress**

- 1. No hours charged to task
- 2. Talked by phone and e-mailed with several potential trails consultants, obtained estimate, prepared budget on new HF linkage in Cheste
- 3. Convened and facilitated meetings with Highlands Footpath Chester linkage working group on 1-18 and 1-26; (P. Gambarini)
- 4. Met with DCR's P. Jahnige and Hill town Land Trust S. Loomis on 1-20 (P. Gambarini)
- 5. Began preparing presentation to describe Highlands Footpath, recent work, and plan for coming work

#### **Products**

#### Meetings

1. 1-18-22

attendees: A. Myers, M. Babcock (Highlands Footpath Reps) and K. Lombard (TNC)

topic: New trail linkage in Chester

location:

2. 1-20-22

attendees: P. Jahnige (DCR)

topic: Best approach to advancing new trail work in Chester

**location:** zoom 3. 1-20-22

attendees: S. Loomis (Hilltown Land Trust)

topic: CR interest on property adjacent to Chester linkage

**location:** zoom 4. 1-26-22

attendees: A. Myers, M. Babcock (Highlands Footpath Reps) and K. Lombard (TNC)

topic: New trail linkage in Chester

location: zoom

#### **Objectives**

## Task: 4.3 Local Pavement Management Program

#### **Progress**

- 1. No hours charged to task
- 2. No hours charged to task
- 3. No hours charged to task

#### **Products**

#### Meetings



#### Task: 4.4 Local Technical Assistance

#### **Progress**

- 1. Attended Principles of Leadership Training on 3/15 and 3/22
- 2. Assisted the Town of Monson with Complete Streets documentation and program information.
- 3. Attended JTC Meeting on 2/16
- 4. Attended MPO Meeting on 2/22
- 5. Attended MEPA Thresholds review committee meeting on 2/11
- 6. Assisted the Town of West Springfield with the MassDOT project initiation process.
- 7. Provided endangered species mapping guidance to the Town of West Springfield.
- 8. Review feasibility study scope of work and cost estimate for the Town of West Springfield.
- 9. Participated in the MEPA Advisory Committee Meetings on 1/4 and 1/28 on new review thresholds
- 10. Met with the town of West Springfield to discuss their application for a Gaming Commission Construction grant
- 11. Wrote a letter of support for the West Springfield project
- 12. Reviewed and provided comments on ENF proposal for Target Warehouse in Westfield (P. Gambarini)
- 13. Attended planning board meeting in South Hadley (P. Gambarini)

#### **Products**

### Meetings

1. 1/14
attendees: Roux
topic: MEPA
location: Zoom
2. 1/25
attendees: Roux

topic: MGC Grant Meeting

location: Zoom3. 2/11attendees: Roux

topic: MEPA Review Thresholds

location: Zoom
4. 2/16
attendees: Roux
topic: JTC
location: Zoom
5. 2/22
attendees: Roux
topic: MPO
location: Zoom