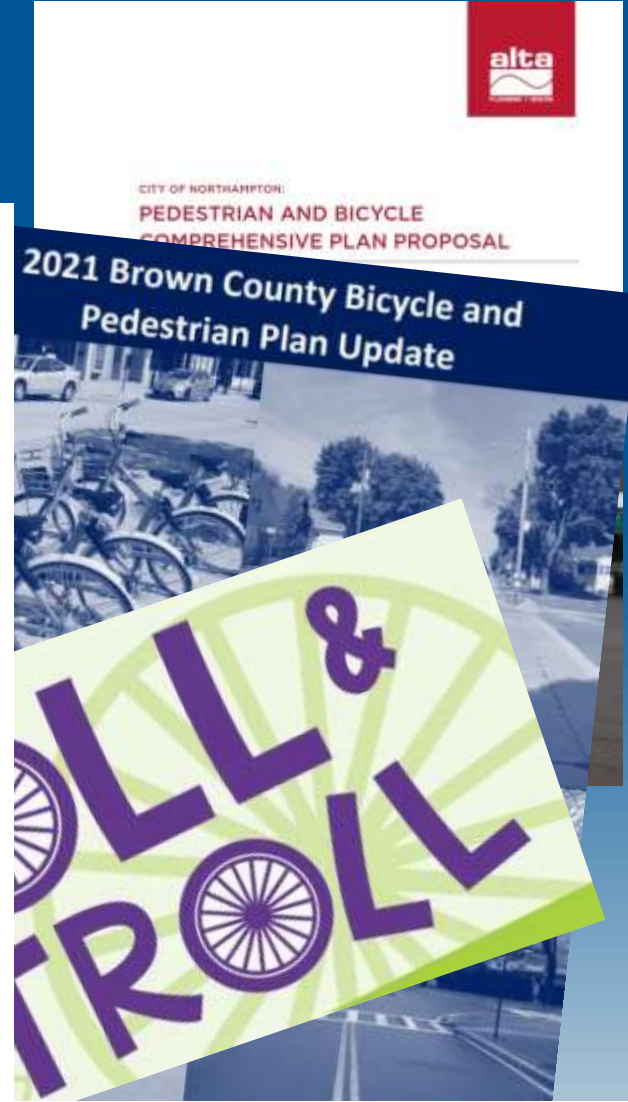
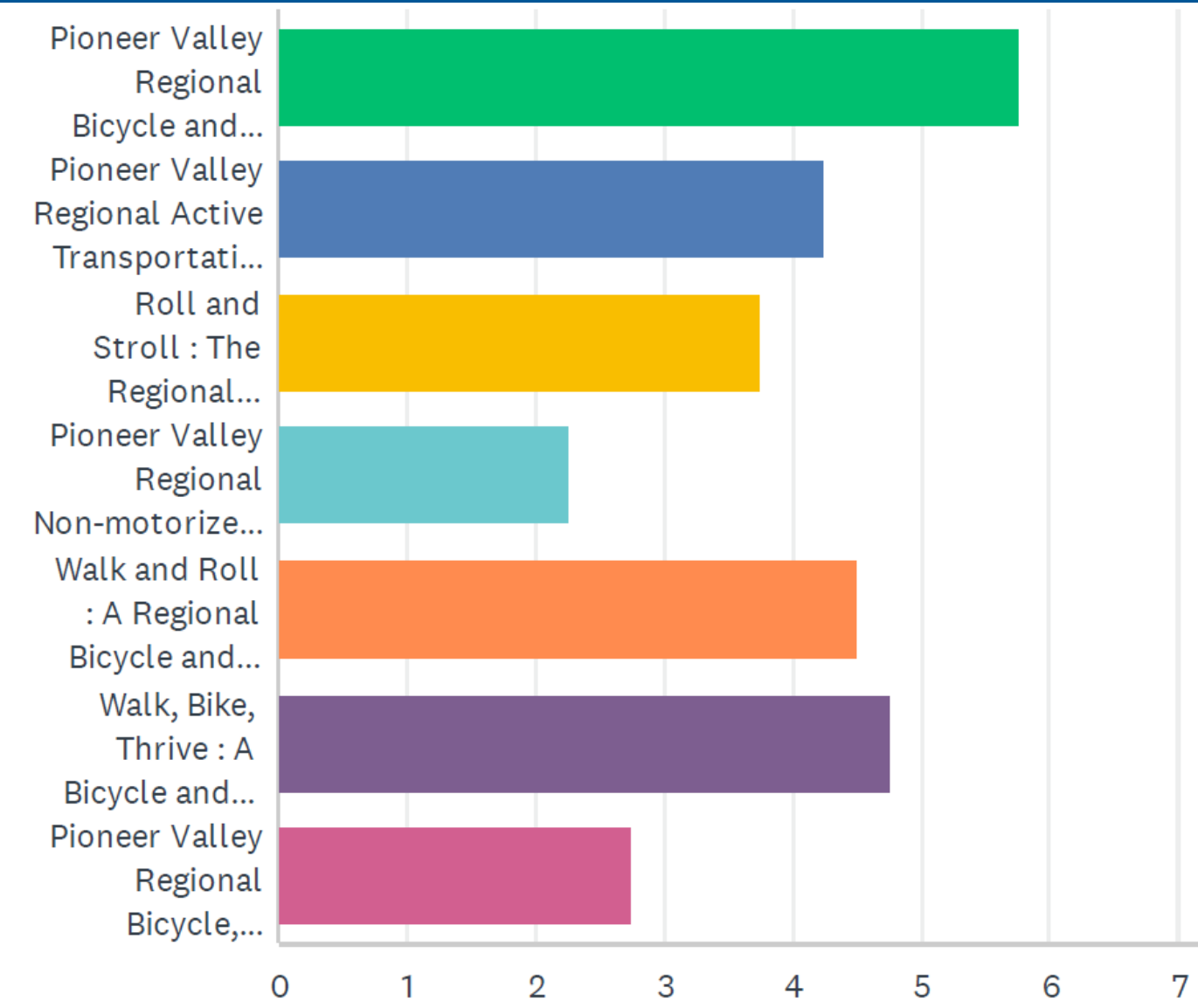
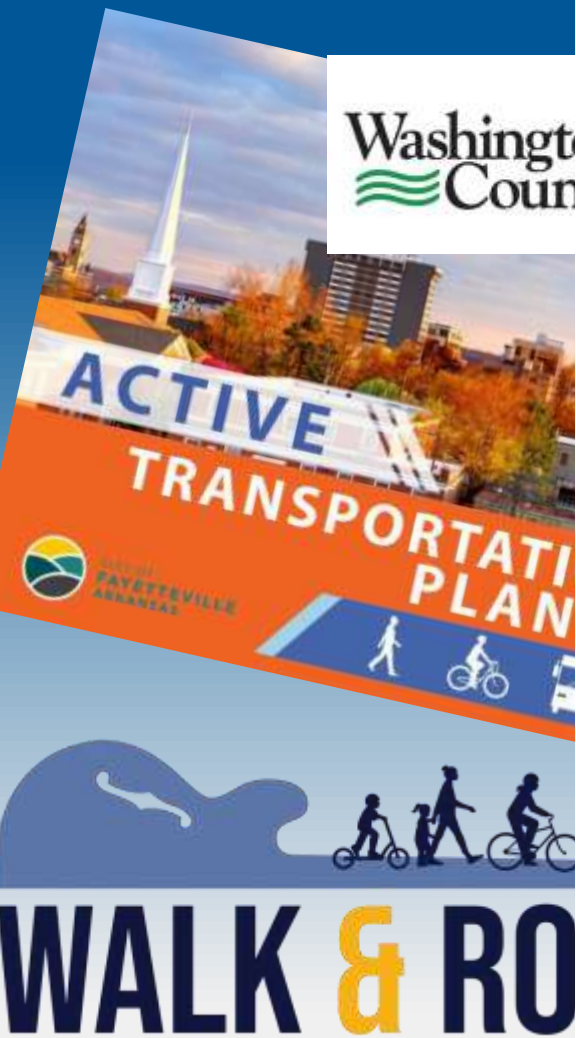


JTC Bicycle Pedestrian and Complete Streets Subcommittee

Agenda – March 13, 2025

1. Open Meeting; Zoom Introductions and welcome to visitors and new members
2. Update to Pioneer Valley Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan:
 - Document name (thank you for your participation in the survey)
 - Vision Statement
 - Chapter on existing conditions
 - Public engagement and outreach draft schedule
 - Wiki Map for public input
 - New website
 - Header/footer graphic for plan
3. Bay State Bike Month
4. Updates;
 - Local project updates
 - MassBike Annual meeting (recap)
 - MassDOT opens 15 Miles of New Shared Use Paths in 2024 (including 1.1 miles on Damon Road)
 - MassDOT Bicycle & Pedestrian Infrastructure Gap Analysis
 - MassDOT Innovation Conference 5/6/2025
 - Safe Routes to School
 - MassDOT Local Four-way-stop initiative as part of the Strategic Highway Safety Plan
5. Adjourn (PVPC is holding TIP project meetings today)

New Name: Pioneer Valley Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

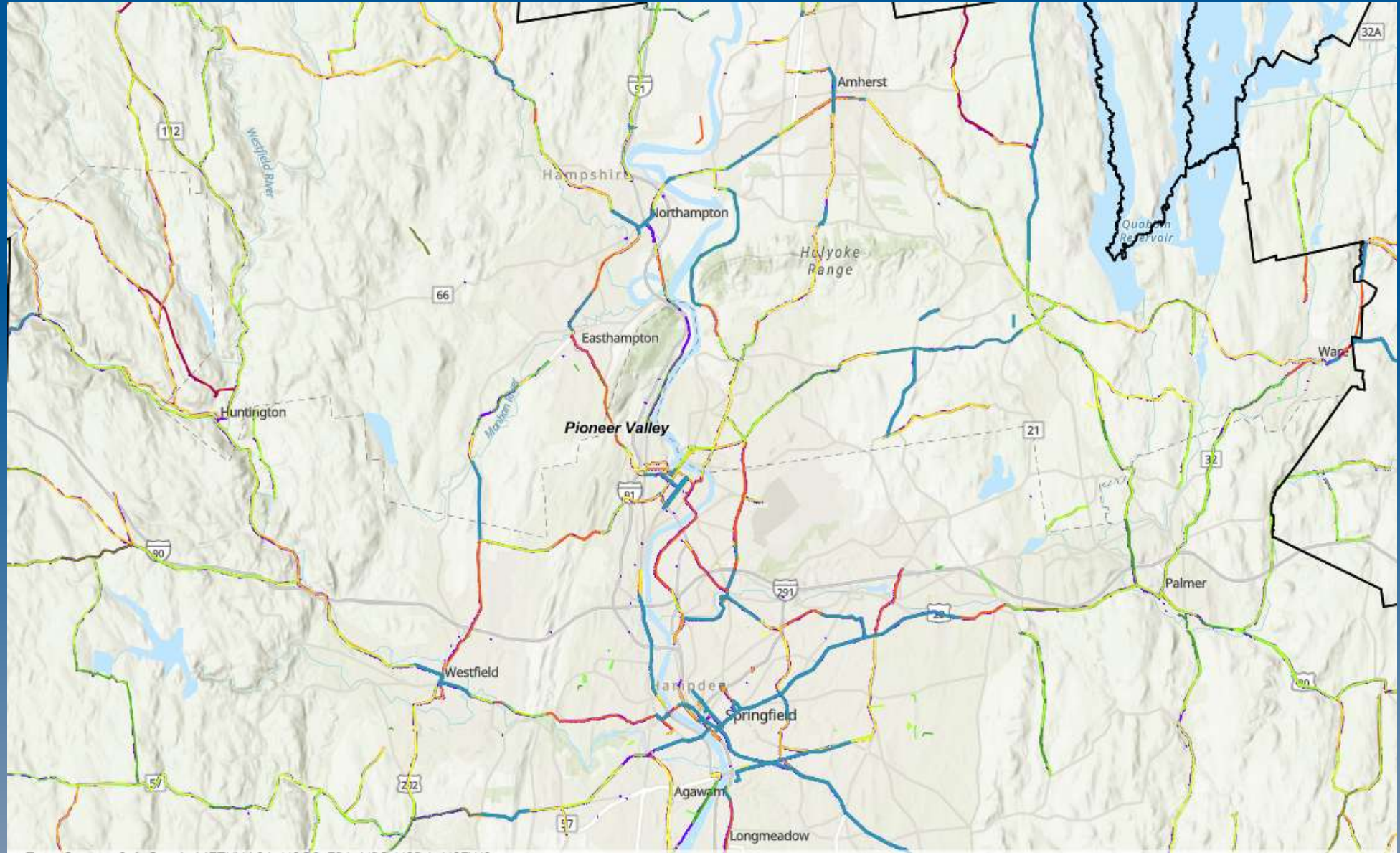


Vision Statement:

“The Pioneer Valley Region is a safe, accessible, and enjoyable place to walk and to ride a bicycle. An expanding network of bikeways, sidewalks, and friendly roadways to a variety of active modes of transport provides residents of all ages with many travel options for reaching any destination.”



Inventory of Existing Facilities



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Pioneer Valley Bicycle Facility	Communities	on/off road	Length (in miles)	Date Opened	From	To
CT. River Riverwalk and Bikeway	Agawam	off	1.7	9/17/2004		
School Street Bikeway	Agawam	off	0.1			
Suffield Street Bike Lanes	Agawam	on	2.0		Valentine St.	Shoemaker Ln.
Shoemaker Ln. Bike Lanes	Agawam	on	2.6		5 Westfield St.	Suffield St.
5 Westfield Street Bike Lanes	Agawam	on	1.2		38 N Westfield St.	Pine St.
Fending Hills Center Bike Lanes	Agawam	on	0.3		61 Southwick St.	1282 Springfield St.
Walnut Street Bike Lanes	Agawam	on	0.4		Springfield St.	Maple St.
Agawam High School Path	Agawam	off	0.2		Line St.	Cooper St.
Agawam Connector Loop Bikeway	Agawam	on/off				
Agawam Center Bike Paths	Agawam/West Springfield	off	0.6			
Amherst Bike Route	Amherst	on	1.0			
Amherst Bikeway (Route 116)	Amherst	off	3.5			
Five College Bikeway	Amherst	on	6.0			
South Pleasant Street Bike Lanes	Amherst	on	0.3	7/15/2001		
UMass Connector Bikeway	Amherst	off	1.9	5/15/2003		
East Hadley Road Sidepath	Amherst	off		7/1/1995		
Route 116 Sidepath	Amherst	off		12/1900		
Norwotuck Belchertown Extension	Amherst/Belchertown	off	1.2	5/12/2000		
CT Riverwalk and Bikeway	Chicopee	off	2.4	6/1/2022		
Chicopee Center Canal Walk	Chicopee	off	0.2	5/21/2010		
Chicopee Street Bike Lanes	Chicopee	on	0.7		Springfield St.	Meadow St.
Redstone Rail Trail	East Longmeadow	off	1.6	9/9/2010		
Manhan Rail Trail	Easthampton	off	4.2	6/19/2004		
116 Five College Bike Lane Extension	Granby/South Hadley	on	0.3	4/25/2015		
Dwight Street Bike Lanes	Holyoke	on	0.5	6/12/2005		
Hampden Street Bike Lanes	Holyoke	on	0.6	5/13/2004		
Lower Westfield Rd. Bike Lanes	Holyoke	on	0.4		Homestead Ave.	Holyoke St.
Holyoke Canalwalk	Holyoke	off	0.3	6/25/2010		
Route 5 Bike Lanes	Holyoke/Northampton	on	8.0	6/25/1986		
Converse Street Bike Lanes	Longmeadow	on	2.0		Laurel St.	Dwight Rd.
Dwight Road Bike Lanes	Longmeadow	on	0.1		Converse St.	Williams St.
Springfield (Ludlow) Reservoir Trail	Ludlow	off	3.1			
Ludlow Mills Riverwalk	Ludlow	off				
MBW Trail	Monson, Brimfield, Wales	on	17.0	6/10/1998		
Elm Street Bike Lanes	Northampton	on	0.8	6/15/2000		
New Haven and Northampton Canal Rail Trail	Northampton	off	2.1	7/1/2005		
MassCentral Rail Trail	Northampton	off	2.5	6/6/1984		
Rocky Hill Trail	Northampton	off	0.5			
Norwotuck Demon Road to Woodmont	Northampton	off	0.8	5/1/2008		
Norwotuck Look Park Extension to Grove St	Northampton	off	2.0	7/1/2005		
South Street Bike Lanes	Northampton	on	1.1	9/10/2003		
Northampton Canal/MassCentral Rail Trail	Northampton	off	1.0	9/26/1989		
Tunnel MassCentral Manhan Rail Trail	Northampton	off	0.1	7/10/1905		
Norwotuck Rail Trail	Northampton/Hadley/Amherst	off	8.5	5/15/1993		
CT. River Riverwalk and Bikeway	Springfield	off	3.7	7/18/2003		
Fort Pleasant Avenue Bike Lanes	Springfield	on	0.5		Summer Ave.	Belmont Ave.
Main Street Bike Lanes	Springfield	on	0.8		Union St.	Liberty St.
State Street Bike Lane	Springfield	on	0.1		Hall of Fame Ave.	MGM Wy.
Chestnut Street Bike Lanes	Springfield	on	1.0		Liberty St.	Cumberland St.
Main Street Bike Lanes	Springfield	on	1.1		Osgood St.	Chicopee C.L.
Wason Avenue Bike Lanes	Springfield	on	0.4		Main St.	Plainfield St.
Bradley Rd/Breckwood Blvd Bike Lanes	Springfield	on	2.6		Allen St.	Boston Rd.
Plumtree Road Bike Lanes	Springfield	on	3.1		Allen St.	Wilbraham Rd.
South Branch Parkway Bike Lanes	Springfield	on	0.8		Plumtree Rd.	Roosevelt Ave.
Roosevelt Avenue Bike Lanes	Springfield	on	1.0		S Branch Pkwy.	Wilbraham Rd.
Saint James Boulevard Bike Lanes	Springfield	on	0.9		Fordham St.	Sargon St.
East Street Bike Lanes	Springfield	on	0.6		Page Blvd.	Royalton St.
Oak Street Bike Lanes	Springfield	on	1.3		Parker St.	Front St.
CT. River Riverwalk and Bikeway	West Springfield	off	1.5		Riverdale St.	Ashley Ave.
Riverdale Street Bike Lane	West Springfield	on	0.5		E Elm St.	Southworth St.
Westfield Riverwalk	Westfield	off	2.0	4/16/1998		
Western Ave. Shared Use Path	Westfield	off	1.3		Llewellyn Dr.	Lloyd's Hill Rd.
Franklin Street Bike Lanes	Westfield	on	0.8		Elm St.	Hubbard St.
E Main Street Bike Lanes	Westfield	on	0.7		Mainline Dr.	Little River Rd.
Columbia Greenway Rail Trail	Westfield/Southwick	off	9.3	5/1/2010		
Boston Road Bike Lanes	Wilbraham	on	1.7		Cottage Ave.	Palmer T.L.
Total Mileage			119.4			



Why is active transportation important?

Health

Being able to walk, bike or roll for transportation and recreation improves community health outcomes.

Safety

The design and operation of our streets, bikes lanes, sidewalks, and intersections can improve safety for all transportation users.

Environment

Walking, biking, and rolling does not emit any greenhouse gases.

Economy

Places that are easy to walk, bike, and roll around attract residents, businesses, and tourism.

Quality of Life

Walking, biking, and rolling creates vibrant, livable communities, encourages social interaction, and provides convenient, accessible mobility options for everyone.



Plan Wiki Map for community input

Please use the form and map below to suggest areas that need improvements.

You can also upload photo attachments to illustrate the location where improvements are needed.

The Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (with assistance from the JTC Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Complete Streets Advisory Committee) is updating the Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and seeking input from the public on locations where sidewalks, bike lanes, pedestrian crossings, or measures to slow traffic, would enable people to safely walk, bike or wheelchair to get to school, work, shop or recreate. We will be incorporating these suggestions into the priorities for future initiatives.

For questions on using this tool, please contact PVPC at PVMPOCOMMENTS@pvpc.org

1. Enter Information

Name

Email Address

Type of Improvement (required)
Select... ▼

Comments

Attachment

2. Select Location

Specify the location for this entry by clicking/tapping the map or by using one of the following options.

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Find address or place

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Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

The **Pioneer Valley Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan** describes the status of walking and bicycling in the Pioneer Valley, but more importantly, it highlights actions municipal government, advocacy



New webpage:



Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

- The top three things that you like about walking or bicycling in the Pioneer Valley?
- What are your reasons for NOT bicycling or walking more frequently?
- What types of pedestrian/bicycle facilities do you think are most needed in the region?
- What are your top priorities for the bicycle and pedestrian system in the region?
- What could the region do to overcome challenges or barriers that you see to walking or bicycling.
- Who should PVPC be reaching out to?



Maintain existing facilities



Improve safety

Bicyclist Fatal & Serious Injury Crash Characteristics

2016-2020

Intersection- 55%

Non-Intersection - 39%

54%  contained a cyclist in the roadway/shoulder

76%  occurred during daylight hours

66%  occurred when the vehicle was traveling straight ahead

54% had curbs on both sides of the road

80% occurred at locally-owned intersections


64% had curbs on both sides of the road

55%  occurred when the vehicle was traveling straight ahead

80%  contained a cyclist in the roadway

90%  occurred on 2-lane roadways

31%  at signal-controlled intersections*

31%  occurred when the vehicle was turning left

74% occurred on locally-owned roads

77%  occurred during daylight hours

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Local updates

MassDOT Innovation Conference 5/6/2025

