Image: Before and after rendering of Park & Lawrence Streets intersection, by TEC.

Chapter 12

Summary

Two overarching themes emerge through this RTP. First, the MVMPO is focusing its efforts on repairing and improving existing infrastructure to be safer and operate for multiple modes. Updating signals, ADA ramps, pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure are all a part of this. Second, the MVMPO is investing in new infrastructure to fill out the integrated multi-modal network, especially multi-use trails.

With regard to transit, the MVMPO and MVRTA look forward to increasing service through new fixed routes that reach beyond our region as well as improving frequency for existing fixed routes. Ensuring that bus replacements and bus additions occur on schedule will be imperative to ensuring the system remains effective and efficient.

With this Regional Transportation Plan, the Merrimack Valley MPO has set the tone for how we plan to accomplish the vision and goals outlined in the Introduction.

Each project that has been chosen for funding was selected because it helps address at least one

goal. Within each chapter, the MVMPO has included strategies of progress that recommend what work, studies, etc. should be completed dne between now and the next RTP. The information will be used in subsequent Transportation Improvement Programs and for the Unified Planning Work Programs.

Table 11.1 summarizes what the MVMPO accomplished since the 2012 RTP. Table 11.2 demonstrates how each project relates to the goals set forth in this document. It is divided by those projects that were identified for funding within the 2016 RTP, those projects that will receive statewide funding and those projects that do not currently have an identified funding source. However, if more funding becomes available, the MVMPO will consider these projects for implementation.

Photo: Lights along the canal, Lawrence, by Kathryn Prybylisky

Table 12.1: Status of Projects Recommended in MVMPO 2012 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), FFY 2015

Project Description	Community(ies)	Status
MA-110 Resurfacing and Sidewalk Construction	Amesbury	Complete, 12/31/12
MA-125 (South Main Street) Reconstruction	Haverhill	Complete, 4/18/14
Downtown Streetscape Improvements	Haverhill	Complete, 12/31/12
MVRTA Transit Facility Updates	Haverhill, Lawrence	Complete, 6/30/15
MA-110 Resurfacing, Haverhill C.L. to Orchard St.	Merrimac	Complete, 10/1/13
MA-125 Signal Upgrades, Eight Intersections	North Andover	Complete, 12/1/14
MA-286 Signal Upgrades, Four Intersections	Salisbury	Complete, 5/31/14
MA-150 Reconstruction, MA-110 to Downtown	Amesbury	Construction, FFYs 2015-2016
Merrimac Square Reconstruction	Merrimac	Construction, FFYs 2015-2016
I-93/MA-110/MA-113 Rotary Reconstruction	Methuen	Construction, FFYs 2014-2017
MA-97 Reconstruction	Groveland	Construction advertized, 8/15
MVRTA transit communications/ITS	System-Wide	Procurement in development for FFY 2016
Powow Riverwalk, Phase II	Amesbury	Design
Lowell Junction Interchange Construction	Andover/Tewksbury/ Wilmington	Design
Border-to-Boston Trail	Boxford/Georgetown/Newbury/ Newburyport/Salisbury	Design
Merrimack Street Reconstruction Phase I	Lawrence	Design
MA-114 Corridor Improvement Project	Lawrence-North Andover	Design
Mass. Ave./MA-125 Intersection Reconstruction	North Andover	Design
US-1 (Lafayette Road) Reconstruction	Salisbury	Design
MVRTA Bus Station Relocation	Haverhill	Proposed
I-495/Mass. Ave. off-ramp signalizations	North Andover	Proposed

Table 12.2: Transportation Projects Meeting RTP Goals in the Merrimack Valley

Projects Identified for Funding in 2016 RTP		State of Good Repair	Safety	Enhancing Mobility	Economic Vitality	Environmental Sustainability
Community	**Project**					
Amesbury	MA-150/MA-110 Intersection	●	●			
Amesbury	Elm Street Reconstruction	●			●	
Amesbury	Powwow Riverwalk (Phase I) incl Bridge A-07-034			●	●	●
Andover	MA-133 (Lowell Street) Reconstruction Project (Lovejoy Road to Shawsheen Square)	●	●		●	
Andover	MA-28 Roadway Resurfacing	●				
Boxford	MA-133 (Washington St.) N. Andover T.L. to Main Street reconstruction	●				
Boxford	Border to Boston Rail Trail			●		
Georgetown	MA-97 (Moulton St to Groveland T.L.) Reconstruction	●				
Groveland	MA-97 (Parker St to Georgetown T.L.) Reconstruction	●			●	
Groveland	Groveland Community Trail			●	●	●
Haverhill	MA-125 (Main St) @ Summer/Winter; Bailey/Ginty and Water/Merrimack Intersection Improvements	●	●	●	●	●
Haverhill	MA-97, Silver Birch Ln to Research Dr Reconstruction	●		●	●	●
Haverhill	North Ave (Marsh Ave to state line) Reconstruction	●		●		
Haverhill	Bradford Rail Trail (Phase II)			●	●	●
Haverhill	Bradford Rail Trail (Phase III): Harbor Place to Former Paperboard			●	●	●
Haverhill	Bradford Rail Trail (Phase IV): Former Paperboard Site to Groveland			●		●
Lawrence	Daisy Street Bridge (L-04-008) over the Spicket River	●			●	
Lawrence	Merrimack Street (Broadway to South Union St)	●		●	●	

Table 12.2 Continued

		State of Good Repair	Safety	Enhancing Mobility	Economic vitality	Environmental Sustainability	Social Justice
Lawrence	Lawrence Rail-Trail between Methuen City Line and Merrimack St			●	●	●	●
Lawrence – N. Andover	Reconstruction of MA-114 (S. Union Street in Lawrence to Andover Street in North Andover)	●	●	●	●		●
Merrimac	Bear Hill Road over the Back River Bridge	●					
Methuen	MA-28 (Broadway) at Rosewood Road Intersection	●				●	
Methuen	Haverhill St. (Rt. 110) between Green and Woodland Roads	●	●				
Methuen	Merrimack St (Myona St to Simone Farm) Reconstruction	●		●			
Newburyport	Merrimac St at Route 1 NB/SB ramps Intersection		●				
Newburyport	MVRTA Transportation Center / Parking Facility			●	●		
Newburyport	Clipper City Rail Trail Phase III			●	●	●	
North Andover	MA-125 / Massachusetts Avenue Intersection		●				
North Andover	I-495/Mass. Ave off ramps signalization and left turn lanes		●				
North Andover	MA-133/125 Intersection		●	●			
North Andover	MA-125 Resurfacing	●		●			●
Rowley	MA-133 at US-1 Reconstruction	●		●			
Rowley	Central St & Glen St (Main Street (MA-1A) to Mill River) Reconstruction	●					
Salisbury	US-1 Reconstruction from Salisbury Square to MA/NH Boundary	●		●		●	●
Salisbury	US-1A from Salisbury Square to NH Boundary via Salisbury Beach Reconstruction	●		●	●		●
Salisbury	Border to Boston Rail Trail - Mudnock Rd to NH State Line, 2.4 miles			●		●	

Table 12.3: Transportation Projects Meeting RTP Goals in the Merrimack Valley		State of Good Repair	Safety	Enhancing Mobility	Economic vitality	Environmental Sustainability	Social Justice
Projects Funded with Statewide Funding							
Amesbury/ Salisbury	Whittier Bridge and Ghost Trail Connectors		●	●	●	●	
Andover	Three Bridges (A-09-036, NB & SB) and A-09-041 I-495 over MA-28	●					
Andover	Bridge (A-09-028), Chandler Road over I-93	●					
Georgetown	Border-to-Boston Rail Trail Segment from Georgetown Square to Elm St			●	●	●	
Georgetown-Newbury	Border-to-Boston Rail Trail North Segment to Byfield			●		●	
Haverhill	I-495 Bridges (H-12-39 & 40) over Merrimack River	●					
Haverhill	Basiliere Bridge (H-12-007) and Bridge St. over Railway (H-12-025)	●			●		●
Lawrence	Bruce Elementary School SRTS	●	●				●
Methuen	Bridges (M-17-024, MA-213 EB over Spicket River; M-17-025, MA-213 WB over Spicket River, and M-17-033, MA-213 EB/WB over I-495	●					
Methuen	MA-213 Resurfacing and Related Work	●					

Table 12.4 : Continued

		State of Good Repair	Safety	Enhancing Mobility	Economic Vitality	Environmental Sustainability	Social Justice
Projects with No Identified Funding Source							
Andover	Bridge (A-09-001) MA-28 over Shawsheen River	●					
Andover	Lowell Junction Interchange/I-93 Widening				●		
Georgetown	MA-133 (Chestnut St. to Carlton Drive) Reconstruction	●					
Georgetown	Georgetown Branch Trail: King St to Moulton St			●		●	
Georgetown-Newbury	Border-to-Boston Rail Trail South Segment from Elm Street to Boxford			●		●	
Haverhill	MA-108 (Newton Rd) at MA-110 (Kenoza Ave) Intersection			●	●		
Haverhill	MA-125 (Boston Rd to North Andover T.L) Resurfacing	●					
Lawrence	Bridge (L-04-025) Amesbury Street over South Canal	●					
Methuen	Bridge M-17-16 Howe Street over MA-213.	●					
Methuen	Intersection: Jackson St, Pleasant St, Howe St and Pleasant Valley St	●	●		●		
Methuen	Reconstruction of Howe St (Marston's Corner to Washington St), Improve Howe St./MA-213 Ramps		●				●
Newbury	B2B Rail Trail: Byfield to Scotland Road (Off Road)			●		●	
Newburyport	US-1 Rotary at State Street Intersection			●	●		
North Andover	MA-114 (Turnpike Street) improvements from MA-125 (Andover Street) to Stop & Shop Driveway.		●	●	●	●	
Rowley	MA-133 from Georgetown Line to Newburyport Turnpike (US-1) Reconstruction	●					
Salisbury	MA-110 from Merrill Street to Salisbury Square Reconstruction	●		●	●		●
Salisbury	US-1 Reconstruction from Square south to Newburyport Line	●		●			●
West Newbury	Main Street, South Street, Moulton Street intersection	●					

Table 12.4 : Continued

		State of Good Repair	Safety	Enhancing Mobility	Economic Vitality	Environmental Sustainability	Social Justice
West Newbury	MA-113 Sidewalks, Page School to Pentucket High School Reconstruction	●		●		●	
Regional	I-495 Improvements		●	●	●		