



Central Massachusetts
Metropolitan Planning Organization

Notice of Public Meeting

A notice is hereby given of the availability of the following documents/materials for public review and comment by decision makers, stakeholders, and the general public:

Proposed Update to the Draft 2021 Public Participation Plan (PPP)

What is the PPP? The PPP details proactive outreach procedures compliant with FAST Act, Title VI, Limited English Proficiency (LEP) and Environmental Justice (EJ).

Summary materials pertaining to the above listed document and proposed update is available at www.cmrpc.org or by request at the CMRPC Offices.

There will be opportunities for the public to comment on the Proposed Update to the PPP at the time and location listed below:

Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 5:30PM

CMRPC Office, Conference Room

1 Mercantile Street, Suite 520

Worcester, MA

To join virtually using ZOOM use the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89422876532?pwd=SkZ4L0NobStaZVc1dIlvQ2RubjVyQT09>

Meeting ID: 894 2287 6532; Passcode: 673841

All written comments received before Wednesday, December 8, 2021 at 4:30PM will be fully considered.

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The Worcester Regional Transit Authority (WRTA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 (c) grant applicant, a member of the CMMPO, states that the public involvement process adopted for the development of the TIP satisfies the public hearing requirements that pertain to the development of the Program of Projects for regular Section 5307, Urbanized Area Formula Program, grant applications including the provision for public notice and the time established for public review and comment.

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