

Maximizing opportunities to enhance the movement of goods and people through the Gateway to Maine

**Policy Committee Meeting Agenda**

**Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.**

This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom

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**1. Welcome/Public Comment**

**2. Approval of Minutes from the March 4, 2021 KACTS Policy Committee Meeting**

**3. RFP for CARES Transit Funding- For Information Only**

Last year, the MaineDOT received funds from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to assist the region's transit agencies with the impacts of the coronavirus pandemic to its services. \$115,000 was allocated to the KACTS MPO for transit planning, with \$50,000 dedicated to funding a transit feasibility task in the Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) Implementation effort. The remaining funds will be used perform municipal outreach, assess baseline demographic and transit data for the region, and describe the short- and long-term impacts of COVID to our regional transit network. It is anticipated this work will help inform our MPO's transit planning activities in the next UPWP as well as inform the next update of the region's Long Term Transportation Plan.

**4. Project Candidates for KACTS Funding for CY2024 Allocation- Discussion Item**

For CY 2024, KACTS will receive an estimated federal allocation of \$636,023, and a state allocation of approximately \$79,502. Including the 10% local match required of \$79,502, we need to program a total of \$795,027 for CY 2024. The KACTS WIN has a total of \$126,947.63 but only \$55,395.13 is available. KACTS needs to maintain a minimum \$71,552.5 in reserve (10% of the annual allocation), so we will need to allocate \$16,000 to the WIN.

**KACTS**  
**Kittery Area Comprehensive Transportation System**

The Metropolitan Planning  
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To date, this year we have received three funding requests:

- a) **Eliot 236 Corridor Project Design**- This request is to provide preliminary engineering for projects recommended in the Route 236 Traffic & Safety Studies (August 2019 and in-progress draft). The town is requesting estimates for up to three (3) priority intersections and one (1) priority segment within the corridor. (Project application attached)
  - b) **Berwick Saw Mill Hill Road and Route 9/School Street intersection improvements Construction**- The Town of Berwick requests an estimated \$660,625 to fund construction of phase three of a multi-phased project. The PDR was funded by KACTS last year and is scheduled to be completed this month. The current budget request is based on an estimate provided on page 49 of the [Berwick Bike Ped Study](#). (Project application attached)
  - c) **York Route 1 Pedestrian Bicycle Improvements Design**- The town is proposing bicycle pedestrian safety improvements to segments of Route 1 and will requesting funds for design. (Project application pending)
5. **Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) Implementation Update**- The next JLUS Steering Committee meeting will be May 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Consultants will present transit service expansion scenarios providing service to Sanford, and potential ridership data related to the shipyard and other regional employers along the corridor. The JLUS Team is also working with Urban Land Institute of Boston (ULI) to host a virtual housing panel, highlighting opportunities and challenges around potential development sites in Berwick and Kittery on May 18<sup>th</sup>. The event will be recorded.
6. **MaineDOT Report**- MaineDOT staff will provide an update on any MaineDOT projects, policies, or plans.
7. **Municipal Project Updates**  
Municipal representatives will provide updates on local transportation projects.
8. **Other Business/ Future Meeting Dates**