

Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission

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CNHRPC NEWS & UPDATES

Upcoming Events

CommuteSmart NH Coordination Committee Meeting Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 10:00 AM CNHRPC Conference Room 28 Commercial Street, Suite 3, Concord NH



2019 Traffic Counting

CNHRPC staff have started collecting traffic data as part of the 2019 data collection season. This season, CNHRPC will collect traffic volume data at 103 locations for NHDOT and approximately 140 locations for our member municipalities. In addition to traffic volume data, some locations also include vehicle direction, classification and speed. The data is collected by placing pneumatic tubes across the roadway which are connected to a traffic counting device on the side of the road (pictures below). Historical data can be veiwed on the CNHRPC website here.

For more information about CNHRPC's traffic data collection program please contact Dean Williams at dwilliams@cnhrpc.org.





CommuteSmart NH June Challenge

The CommuteSmart NH (CSNH) June Statewide Challenge is underway! For the month of June, employers from around New Hampshire were invited to create a team of their employees and commute by carpool, walking, biking, transit, or telecommuting. Teams are logging their trips using the NH Rideshare software.



With just about three weeks of the challenge already completed, there are currently over 40 teams signed up and participating! After the challenge, awards will be given to the teams who logged the most sustainable trips and had the most social media buzz using #smartcommutetheroute.

To see the winning teams and who participated at the end of June, visit commutesmartnh.org.

Suncook Valley Trails Plan

The Draft Suncook Valley Trails Plan was presented at a public re-convening session in Epsom on June 18. The meeting also included a walk along a section of the rail trail in Epsom behind the Epsom Elementary School. Representatives from the six communities, Pembroke, Allenstown, Epsom, Chichester, and Pittsfield (plus the Lakes Region Planning Commission community of Barnstead) were present, as were representatives from local snowmobile clubs and various town board and committees. Meeting attendees generally approved of the findings in the plan as presented. After a brief discussion of the plan, the group immediately began discussions on how to organize and structure teams of people to do the hard work of implementing the plan and opening trails to the public.



The draft plan is available for review and comment along with additional information <u>here</u>.

Public Workshop for I-93

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) and the City of Concord will hold a joint workshop to discuss the widening of Interstate 93 from the I-93/I-89 interchange in Bow northerly approximately four miles to the I-93/I-393 interchange in Concord. This workshop will focus on the Exit 14 area of the project. The workshop will be held on Wednesday, June 26, 2019, beginning at 6 pm, at the NHDOT John O. Morton Building, Room 114, 7 Hazen Drive, in Concord, NH. For more information, please refer to NHDOT's public notice.

Statewide Public Transit Survey

The NH Department of Transportation (NHDOT) is working to improve the statewide public transportation system and is seeking the public's input. The NHDOT is assessing the system in order to develop a plan to improve the delivery of these services. The public is invited to take a short survey so that the recommendations in

the study accurately reflect the priorities of the people of NH. Residents are encouraged to completed the survey by July 15, 2019.

Survey Link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QX22KS9

2020 Census Information

Preparation for the 2020 Census has begun in New Hampshire. The New Hampshire Office of Strategic Initiatives (OSI) will be leading the statewide effort and has established a statewide Complete Count Committee which held its kickoff meeting on June 20th. Additional information on the 2020 Census can be found on OSI's Census webpage.



Why is the 2020 Census important? New Hampshire's participation in the upcoming count of population on April 1, 2020, is of critical importance to determine the number of seats representing our state in the U.S. House of Representatives. But the Census will also provide our communities with information vital

the Census will also provide our communities with information vital for funding and planning by state and local governments. A complete count of the population in 2020 is necessary for drawing accurate boundaries for voting and legislative districts, and communities rely on Census Bureau statistics for information to plan new businesses, schools, roads, hospitals, job training, centers, and senior care needs.

FY 2021-2030 Transportation Improvement Program

CNHRPC's Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to cover Fiscal Years 2021-2030 was adopted by CNHRPC's Full Commission on April 11, 2019. The CNHRPC 2021-2030 TIP can be viewed on CNHRPC's Website.



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