



MEETING NOTICE:

Northwest Regional Planning Commission

Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

NRPC Conference Room, 75 Fairfield Street, St. Albans, VT 05478

Thursday March 14, 2024 - 6:30-8:00 PM

Hybrid Meeting Format: in person and remote (remote details below)

1. **Adjustments to the Agenda**
2. **Welcome, Introductions, Opening Remarks**
3. **Opportunity for Public Comment**
4. **2024 Eclipse Planning Update – Shaun Coleman, NRPC Staff**
5. **Regional Priorities: review and update** (*see attachment*)
6. **Minutes of the February 8, 2024 Meeting** (*enclosed*)
7. **TAC Member and Staff Updates**
8. **Other Business**
 - Next meeting: April 11, 2024

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NRPC Regional Project Identification List

	Town	Route	Additional Identifier (bridge #, etc.)	VTrans Project Number	Project Name	Description	Anticipated Construction Year			
Roadway & Safety										
	Georgia	US 7		STP 0285(17)	Milton - Georgia (slab removal)		2029			
	Fairfax	VT 104/VT 128		STP 023-1(8)	Fairfax Intersection	Scope Refinement	current			
	Franklin	VT 120/VT 236/Middle Road			Franklin_VT120_NRPC_2021-Intersection_VT235_MiddleRd	Intersection Evaluation	eval complete			
	Georgia	US 7/I-89/VT 104A/Skunk Hill		STP 0285(18)	Georgia South Village Intersections	Intersection(s) Evaluation, ParkRide	awaiting consultant			
	Swanton	I 89/VT 78 Exit 21 Ramp		IM 089-3(82)		Scope Refinement	current			
	South Hero	US 2/South St			Traffic & Safety:SouthHero_US2_NRPC_2021_Intersection_US2_SouthSt					
	Grand Isle	US 2/Hyde Rd			Traffic & Safety: Grand Isle_US2_NRPC_2021_Intersection_US2_HydeRd					
Paving										
		VT 128			Essex - Fairfax					
		VT 104		STP FPAV(66)	Fairfax - St. Albans		2024	104 Paving Fact Sheet		
		VT 104A		STP PS26(6)	Georgia - Fairfax		2026			
		VT 242		STP PS24(8)	Montgomery - Westfield		2026			
		VT 105		STP FPAV(68)	Sheldon - Enosburg		2025			
		VT 207		STP FPAV(77)	St. Albans-Highgate		2025			
		US 7		STP PS25(7)	St. Albans - Swanton		2025			
		VT 120			Paving: Sheldon_Franklin_VT120_NRPC_2021_Rehabilitation_Drainage					
Bridge/Culvert										
	Fairfield	VT-36	6	STP DECK(51) Fairfield	FAIRFIELD BRIDGE BR#6	Replace deck of Bridge No. 6 on VT-36 in Fairfield crossing the Fairfield River	2024	Fairfield Bridge 6 Fact Sheet		
	Fairfield	TH 29 (Paradee Rd)	49	BO 1448(46) Fairfield	Bridge 49 on TH 29 (Paradee Rd) over Black Creek	Proposed replacement of bridge	2027	Fairfield Bridge 49 Fact Sheet		
	Enosburg	TH 42 (Sand Hill Rd)	45	BO TRUS(6) Enosburg	Rehab of Bridge 45 on TH 42					
	Swanton Village	VT-78	6	BF 036-1(16)	Rehab of Bridge 6 on VT 78		2024	TH Bridge	Swanton B6	B6 Photos



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Attendance

Municipality	Rep.	Present	Municipality	Rep.	Present	Municipality	Rep.	Present
Alburgh Town	Vacant		Alburgh Village	Jason Beaulac		Bakersfield	Vacant	
Enosburg Falls	Gary Denton		Enosburgh Town	Joey Clark		Fairfax	Shaw Lafountain	
Fairfield	Maurice Jettie Cathy Ainsworth (alt)		Fletcher	Vacant		Franklin	Peter Magnant	X
Georgia	Suzanna Brown	X	Grand Isle	Barclay Morris	O	Highgate	Sharon Bousquet	O
Isle La Motte	Vacant		Montgomery	Mark Brouillette		Richford	Wally Steinhour	
Sheldon	Seth Hungerford		South Hero	Bob Buermann	O	St. Albans City	Vacant	
St. Albans Town	David Allerton John Montagne (alt)	X	Swanton Town	Harold Garrett	O	Swanton Village	Reginald Beliveau	O
GMT (Transit)	Chris Damiani		NECR (Rail)	Charles Hunter		MVRT (Bike/Ped)	Vacant	
Air Rep.	Vacant		Berkshire	Vacant		North Hero	Vacant	

Other Participants: Kyle Grenier (NRPC) in person; Matthew Arancio (VTrans), Dean Pierce (NRPC) online.

X = In person

O = Online

Chair, Harold Garrett called the meeting to order at 6:32PM

1. Adjustments to the Agenda

2. Welcome, Introductions, Opening Remarks

3. Opportunity for Public Comment

- No public comment was made.

4. Roads and Water Quality (upcoming meeting) - Dean Pierce, NRPC Staff

- Dean Pierce, NRPC Senior Planner, attended to promote an upcoming meeting on Transportation and Water Quality, Thursday, February 15, 2024 at 6:30pm.

5. VTrans Project Selection and Project Prioritization (VPSP2) Update

- K. Grenier informed the committee that VPSP2 would be on pause again for FY24. Grenier proposed that the committee review regionally specific projects listed within the VTrans capital plan, including timeline updates.

28 The list will also include projects outlined in the Draft Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP). The
29 TAC will then review previously identified regional priorities and propose new or changing priorities.
30 Informally, members agreed with this proposal.
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32 **6. Minutes of the October 12, 2023 Meeting**

33 P. Magnant motioned to approve the October 12, 2023 meeting minutes. B. Morris seconded.

34 S. Brown noted edits.

35 P. Magnant amended the motion to include "noted changes." B. Morris agreed. 1 abstention, the rest in favor.
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37 **7. Minutes of the January 11, 2023 Meeting**

38 P. Magnant motioned to approve the January 11, 2024 meeting minutes. S. Brown seconded.

39 S. Brown noted edits.

40 P. Magnant amended the motion to include "noted changes." S. Brown agreed. 1 abstention, the rest in favor.
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42 **8. TAC Member and Staff Updates**

- 43 • S. Bousquet noted an emerging issue in Highgate regarding ditches and culverts in the public ROW are being
44 used to stage piping for purposes of moving/spreading manure. It was also noted that at times these pipes are
45 traversing roads, essentially closing them to through traffic without town permission.
- 46 • K. Grenier shared data provided from Local Motion indicating passenger boarding on the Island Line Bike Ferry.
- 47 • K. Grenier shared updates from a conversation with Catherine Dimitruk (NRPC Executive Director) about plans
48 to try to highlight lagging TAC membership, and ways to encourage interest through Town Meeting centered
49 postings and targeted Selectboard interaction.
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51 **9. Other Business**

- 52 • Next meeting: March 14, 2024
- 53 • Proposed future meeting topics:
 - 54 ○ Inviting VTrans engineering staff to discuss wear and tear concerns.
 - 55 ○ VT 207 update, to address concerns brought up at the January 2024 meeting.
 - 56 ○ Law enforcement invite to discuss roadway areas of concern relative to motorist/user safety,
57 sightlines, etc. (not focused on enforcement)
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59 P. Magnant motioned to adjourn the meeting. S. Bousquet seconded. The motion carried. The meeting
60 adjourned at 7:51PM
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