



MEETING NOTICE:

Northwest Regional Planning Commission

Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

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

Thursday May 8, 2025 - 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

Welcome new representatives:

- Earl Fournier, Town of Swanton
- John Dasaro, Enosburg Falls Village
- Matt Gillian, Town of Fletcher
- Gregory Stebbins, Town of Sheldon

3. Election of Officers

The TAC Rules of Procedure call for annual elections of a Chair and Vice-Chair. There are no term limits for these positions. *The floor will be open to nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair and elections will be held.*

4. Opportunity for Public Comment

5. NRPC & Regional project updates – Kyle Grenier

EJG2G (Environmental Justice Government to Government) grant, AR35 news, etc.

6. TAC future changes discussion

NRPC staff has identified possible adjustments to TAC membership, tasks, etc. that could serve as a roadmap for future changes and focuses of the committee.

7. Minutes of the February 13, 2025 Meeting (*enclosed*)

8. TAC Member and Staff Updates

9. Other Business

Next meeting: June 12, 2025

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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	Brent Sheets	
Fairfield	Dr. Lynda Ulrich Cathy Ainsworth (alt)		Fletcher	Vacant		Franklin	Peter Magnant	O
Georgia	Suzanna Brown	O	Grand Isle	Barclay Morris	O	Highgate	Vacant	
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)	O	Swanton Town	Harold Garrett Earl Fournier (alt)	O	Swanton Village	Heidi Britch-Valenta Bill Sheets (alt)	O
GMT (Transit)	Chris Damiani		NECR (Rail)	Charles Hunter		MVRT (Bike/Ped)	Vacant	
Air Rep.	Vacant		Berkshire	Vacant		North Hero	Vacant	

Other Participants: Online: Kyle Grenier (NRPC), Matthew Arancio (VAOT), Megan Sherlund (St. Albans Town)

X = In person

O = Online

Chair, Harold Garrett called the meeting to order at 6:34PM

- **Adjustments to the Agenda**
- **Welcome, Introductions, Opening Remarks**
- **Opportunity for Public Comment**
- **US 7 North Shared Use Path Scoping Study** – Megan Sherlund, St. Albans Town Dir. Community Development
 - M. Sherlund provided an overview of the current study, highlighting the three alternatives presented at the January 22, 2025 Alternatives Presentation.
 - TAC member comments bolstered focus on safety and opportunity of bike/pedestrian connection between St. Albans City, MVRT trailhead, and the commercial area surrounding the Highgate Shopping Plaza.

- 28 • **MVRT Management Plan input tool**
- 29 • K. Grenier provided an overview of the MVRT Management Plan project, with a focus on opportunities to
- 30 collect public input through the online collection tool provided by VTrans and VHB.
- 31 • B. Morris mentioned opportunities for more general input, in addition to the site-specific input that the tool
- 32 allows. Also, more opportunities for Trail Friendly Business listing access that do not require the use of
- 33 technology.
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- 35 • **Northwest highlights from the 2026 Transportation Plan** (as recommended by Governor Scott)
- 36 • K. Grenier provided a general overview of projects listed within the proposed FY26 transportation budget.
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- 38 • **Minutes of the January 9, 2025 Meeting**
- 39 B. Morris motioned to approve the January 9, 2025 meeting minutes as printed. B. Buermann seconded. The
- 40 motion carried.
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- 42 • **TAC Member and Staff Updates**
- 43 • B. Morris mentioned the proposed bill, VT S0066, an act relating to motor vehicle noise, exhaust modifications,
- 44 and engine compression brakes.
- 45 • P. Magnant informed the TAC that February 13, 2025 would be his final meeting as a TAC member. A round of
- 46 sincere thanks and well-wishes was shared.
- 47 • K. Grenier noted funding changes to Town Highway Bridge Program projects in Sheldon and Enosburg, which
- 48 were once 100% funded, but now require a local match. Overview of summer data collection and intern plans.
- 49 NRPC's involvement with CCRPC and VTrans project at the intersection of US 2 and Clay Point Road in
- 50 Colchester.
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- 52 • **Other Business**
- 53 • Next meeting: March 13, 2025
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- 55 P. Magnant motioned to adjourn the meeting. B. Morris seconded. The motion carried. The meeting
- 56 adjourned at 8:02PM
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