

CCRPC - CIRC Alternatives Task Force

Staff Phase I Planning Recommendations

Issues:

As a component of the CIRC Alternative Task Force process the Task Force is being asked to prioritize a first round of Planning and Scoping Studies for immediate implementation. These planning and scoping priorities will be presented to the CCRPC Board in January for inclusion in the CCRPC FY12 Mid-Year Budget Adjustment of the MPO work program and budget.

To aid in the ranking of the planning priorities, the CCRPC staff collected additional detail related to the planning and scoping study suggestions which had been solicited from the Task Force representatives at the commencement of the Task Force process in the Summer of 2011. Outcomes of prior studies and plans were reviewed and meetings were held with staff of the Task Force communities to discuss the comprehensive transportation systems needs which were gathered at the commencement of the Task Force process. As a result, staff have developed the attached Table of CIRC related planning and scoping studies which could be undertaken immediately, as well as a prioritized list of the next phase of planning and scoping studies which could be programmed as funding becomes available through the CCRPC (MPO) FY13 budget.

Currently there is \$466,665 (\$373,332 FHWA PL/\$93,333 State) available for the first Phase of planning activities. The first Phase funding will cover planning studies, as well as additional direct expenses related to the CIRC Alternatives Task Force including facilitation, communications, coordination and other related direct expenses.

Staff Recommendations:

Implement the immediate planning and scoping studies (see Table for details):

Colchester – Scoping of 2 Intersections on VT 127

Essex – Scoping of Susie Wilson Road/Kellogg Road Intersection

Essex Junction – Scoping of Pearl Street from Post Office Square to 5 Corners

Williston - Northeast Quadrant Transportation Network Analysis

Regionally – Scoping of Multi-use Path on VT 15 (West St. to VT National Guard)

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