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PUBLIC MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR I-93 TRANSIT STUDY
PRESENTING DRAFT STRATEGIC IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) and Massachusetts Executive Office of Transportation (MA EOT) will hold two public meetings to review the findings and recommendations of the I-93 Transit Investment Study. The purpose of these meetings is to present the Draft Strategic Implementation Plan and address questions and comments on the recommendations from the general public.

The two-year study has identified transit service opportunities within the I-93 Corridor between Boston, Massachusetts and Manchester, New Hampshire. The study team has analyzed a wide range of alternatives, including commuter rail and bus options. In addition, the study has reviewed local land use policies that impact on growth in the region and the potential for transit-friendly land use.

The public meetings will be held on the following dates:

- Wednesday, October 1, 2008 from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM at Manchester City Hall, Aldermanic Chambers, One City Hall Plaza, Manchester, NH, and
- Thursday, October 2, 2008 from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM at the Searles Building (Methuen City Hall), 41 Pleasant Street, Methuen, MA.

The meetings will have the same content and format. Each will begin at 6:00 PM with an informal interactive open house session. A brief presentation will begin at 6:30 PM, followed by a question and answer period. NHDOT, Massachusetts Executive Office of Transportation, and members of the study team will be available to discuss the Draft Strategic Plan and answer questions at the meetings.

For further information on the I-93 Transit Investment Study, visit the web site at www.i93transit.org or contact Kit Morgan, NHDOT Rail & Transit Administrator at (603) 271-2468.

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