

I-93 Transit Investment Study

Manchester to Boston

Project Kickoff Meeting
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The HNTB Companies

ENGINEERS
ARCHITECTS
PLANNERS

Agenda

- Team structure
- Decision-making process; committee roles
- Key issues
- Study scope
- Schedule, initial tasks
- Community engagement, stakeholder participation
- Team management, administrative procedures
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Team Structure

- HNTB
 - Project management
 - Project administration
 - Transit planning
 - Land use / economic development
 - Agency coordination
 - Alternatives analysis

Team Structure

- Parsons Brinckerhoff
 - Regional model
 - Ridership
 - Alternatives analysis
 - Transit planning

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Team Structure

- Fitzgerald & Halliday, Inc.
 - Community outreach
 - Project communications
 - Interagency coordination

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Team Structure

- Edwards & Kelcey (KKO)
 - Transit alternatives
 - Corridor analysis

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Team Structure

- Management team
 - Jim Fisher
 - Ken, Ron, Dennis

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Decision-Making Process, Committee Roles

- NHDOT, Massachusetts EOT; Management Committee
- Technical Advisory Committee: “Provide Oversight, Direction and Review”
- Stakeholder Committee: “Provide Input”

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Key Issues

- Coordination with I-93 expansion project
 - Active participation with CTAP
- Transit corridors; “No perfect design”
- Communities
 - Land use: impacts and opportunities
- Define the Region, study area
- Transit, land-use impacts, TOD
- Policy emphasis
- Community engagement, interagency coordination
 - cross the border

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Study Scope - Phases

- 1: Purpose and Need, alternatives development
- 2: Refinement, screening of alternatives
- 3: Strategic implementation plan

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Study Scope – Phase 1

- **1.1:** Review studies, reports; summary
- **1.2:** Identify, evaluate existing data
- **1.3:** Research legal, institutional, land-use policy dependencies potentially impacting transit implementation
- **1.4:** Develop outreach plan

Study Scope – Phase 1

- **1.5:** Two public meetings
- **1.6:** Meet interested parties; 20 in Phase I
- **1.7:** Purpose and Need statement
- **1.8:** Identify initial alternatives

Study Scope – Phase 2

- **2.1: Land-use policy report**
 - **2.1.1: Baseline report; existing conditions**
 - **2.1.2: Transit-supportive policy alternatives**
 - **2.1.3: Station-area development potential**
 - **2.1.4: Impact of land-use policy scenarios**

Study Scope – Phase 2

- **2.2:** Alternatives evaluation criteria
- **2.3:** Define conceptual alternatives (up to eight): HOV, rail, TSM, BRT
- **2.4:** Evaluation
- **2.5:** Present to committees
- **2.6:** Finalize, alternatives
- **2.7:** Benefits, impacts: economic, environmental, cultural, secondary growth

Study Scope – Phase 2

- **2.8:** Two informational meetings
- **2.9:** Develop TDF model – based on Nashua model
- **2.10:** Alternative forecasts
- **2.11:** TDF report
- **2.12:** Define Tier 2 alternatives (up to four)

Study Scope – Phase 2

- **2.13:** Evaluate alternatives
- **2.14:** Three conceptual station design approaches
- **2.15:** Define, illustrate TOD opportunities
- **2.16:** Benefits, impacts
- **2.17:** “Regulatory framework report”

Study Scope – Phase 3

- **3.1:** Committee discussion
- **3.2:** Draft plan, including financial plan
- **3.3:** Public information meetings
- **3.4:** Advisory committee approval
- **3.5:** Finalize plan, including study deliverables

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Initial Tasks

- 1.1 Review studies, reports; summary
- 1.2 Identify, evaluate existing data
- 1.3 Research legal, institutional, land-use policies
- 1.4 Develop outreach plan
- 1.5 Project website
- 1.6 Stakeholder meetings
- 1.8 Identify initial alternatives
- 2.1.1 Baseline land use report
- 2.9 Develop TDF

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Community Engagement, Stakeholder Participation

- Stakeholder interviews and report
- Final community engagement plan
- Project website (www.i93transit.org)
- Presentations (ongoing)
- First round of public meetings
- Next steps TBD

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Team Management, Administrative Procedures

- Primary client contact
- Internal project communication
- External project communication
- Public communication
- Deliverables
- Invoicing

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