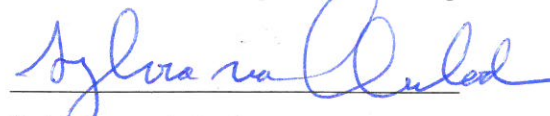


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RE: SNHPC Information and Activities

SNHPC has a number of activities your community may be interested in. Details can be found on our website, www.snhpc.org. We write to bring to your attention the following.

- **Traffic Counting Program:** At the February 27, 2018 MPO meeting, Planning Technician Pamela Garrity and Intern Madeleine Dilonno provided an overview of the SNHPC Traffic Counting Program. The traffic volume data collected is used for a variety of purposes, including the NHDOT's Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS) reporting, the development and calibration of the regional travel demand model, and local planning and project development.
- **Road Safety Audit Update:** During the February MPO meeting, Principal Transportation Planner Julie Chen reviewed how SNHPC assists our communities with Road Safety Audits. Staff assisted four communities in preparing RSA applications by providing collision diagrams and summaries of accident and traffic data. NHDOT will make a decision on applications this spring.
- **Manchester Water Works:** In February Phil Croasdale and Dave Miller from Manchester Water Works covered two projects impacting the southern NH area's request for water: the Cohas Pump Station Improvements and construction of a 3MG tank in Londonderry. They also discussed the new west side (Manchester) treatment plant.
- **2018 Legislative Bill Review:** Also at the February meeting, Cordell Johnston from the NH Municipal Association discussed pending state legislation that may affect land use boards and local and regional planning. Among the bills discussed was one establishing an appeals board for housing development decisions, a bill changing the definition of agritourism, several bills dealing with land use board processes, and a number of proposed changes to the Right-to-Know Law.

The SNHPC region includes the City of Manchester and the towns of Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Chester, Deerfield, Derry, Francestown, Goffstown, Hooksett, Londonderry, New Boston, Weare and Windham. The region encompasses portions of Hillsborough, Merrimack and Rockingham counties. Executive Order Number Fifteen, issued by former Governor Walter Peterson, delineated the SNHPC region. SNHPC promotes coordination between planning boards and local officials; intergovernmental cooperation; and coordinated development of the region.