

Date: 12/09/2022

Notes Taken By: Izzy Parker

Place: Teams (virtual)

Project No.: 63635.00

Re: PLA Economic Evaluation Study Advisory Committee Meeting

ATTENDEES:

Nathan Howard, MaineDOT
Nathan Moulton, MaineDOT
Natalie Bogart, NNEPPRA
Jack Clifford, LARC
Mike Murray, City of Portland
Maggie Maddox, VHB
Tim Bryant, VHB
Izzy Parker, VHB
Eileen Botti, VHB

Meeting Notes:

Maggie Maddox, VHB discussed the agenda for today's meeting and presented the Bus Service Analysis PowerPoint.

There were no questions following the Bus Service Analysis PowerPoint presentation. It was suggested to add the frequencies of the existing bus service to these slides for the public meeting.

Maggie Maddox, VHB presented the Capital Investment Grant Assessment PowerPoint.

Question: Does Economic Development metric include the entire corridor?

- › It applies to the potential station areas, and because Lewiston-Auburn does not have exact station areas developed, Lewiston and Auburn areas were evaluated. The overall corridor considers the Lewiston area, but as shown in the report addendum, Auburn had similar economic metric results.

Question: Having a Medium overall Project Justification doesn't necessarily make a project competitive?

- › Medium is the minimum level to qualify. Increasing Local Financial Commitment above 50% can help offset the Medium and increase competitiveness.

Action Items

- PowerPoint to be distributed to meeting attendees and posted online
- MaineDOT and VHB to schedule Public Meeting #2 for January 2023