

LCP Outreach

7/12/2017 – Transit Study Steering Committee meeting, Auburn. Discussion of transit needs/survey results in Western Maine. A preliminary list of route corridors was prioritized.

7/19/2017 – Maine Transit Association, Trenton. Discussion of general transit topics, including marketing efforts/cancer transportation.

8/22/2017 – Transit Workshop meeting, Portland. Monthly meeting of Portland area transit providers with GPCOG and PACTS staff.

8/25/2017 – Transit Study Steering Committee meeting, Auburn. Study results discussion included what new services would be the most relevant and sustainable.

8/31/2017 – Intercity transportation discussion, Biddeford. Discussion with YCCAC, SMPDC, Shuttlebus staff of intercity transportation in Southern Maine.

9/6/2017 – Municipal Partners Transit Committee, Brewer. Group discussion of transit services/needs in the Greater Bangor Area. Discussion of BACTS long range transportation plan.

9/12/2018 – Maine Wisdom (Aging) Summit, Augusta. MaineDOT staff presented at two sessions, the first was on the State of Aging in Maine where we discussed MaineDOT and our services, the Long-Range Plan, and various things we are now doing to help all customers and those that are especially helpful to our aging population. In the second session, Building Community Systems that Optimize Health and Well-Being, we mentioned those areas that we recently have committed to providing a role in helping addressing the mobility needs of our aging population. Staff also helped to facilitate the Work Session on Aligning State and Local Resources to Increase Transportation.

9/13-15/2017 – Tri-State Transit Conference, Freeport. Sessions on a variety of transit issues including civil rights, safety, maintenance, asset management, and drug & alcohol compliance. Participation included transit professionals from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont; FTA; state and local partners.

10/24/2017 - Transit Workshop meeting, Portland. Monthly meeting of Portland area transit providers with GPCOG staff. Discussion included the regional transit development plan and the transit stop access project.

11/3/2017 – Knox/Lincoln Transit Advisory Working Group, Rockland. Initial discussion of possible flex-route transit service in Rockland.

11/15/2017 – Maine Transit Association, Waterville. Bi-monthly meeting of the MTA. Discussion topics included: legislative updates, after hours D&A testing, and statewide promotion of transit.

11/22/2017—Lewiston-Auburn Maine Military and Community Network session to discuss veterans' transportation needs and develop a pilot project to address them (included in

Veterans Transportation Study Report delivered to Legislature and passed but ultimately not funded in 2018).

12/1/2017 – Waldo Transit Advisory Working Group, Belfast. Initial meeting of the Waldo County TAWG. Intent is to improve transit options in Waldo County, including rebranding and updating the Belfast Shopper.

12/4/2017 – Intercity transportation discussion, Biddeford. Further discussion of intercity transit needs, with YCCAC, SMPDC, Shuttlebus staff.

12/13/2017 – Lewiston-Auburn Transit Committee, Auburn. Monthly meeting of the transit committee. Discussion of citylink bus service, including budget, fixed route contractor, complaints/compliments, station inspections, and disruptive passenger policy.

12/14/2017 – Public Transit Advisory Council Meeting, Augusta. Agenda items included: review of draft by-laws, transit web page, strategic transit plan, locally coordinated transit plans, veterans transportation study, plans for VW settlement funds, and performance measures.

1/16/2018 - Knox/Lincoln Transit Advisory Working Group, Rockland. Discussion of flex-route transit service in Rockland. Discussion centered around getting city council approval, media coverage, and route development.

1/18/2018 – Waldo Transit Advisory Working Group, Belfast. Meeting of the Waldo County TAWG. Intent is to improve transit options in Waldo County including rebranding the Belfast Shopper.

1/19/2018 – Sagadahoc Transit Advisory Working Group, Bath. Initial meeting of the Sagadahoc County TAWG. Intent is to improve options in Sagadahoc County.

1/31/2018 – AARP, Fairfield. Meeting with AARP, KVCOG, KVCAP, other interested partners regarding transit needs in Kennebec County. Presentation by Jim Wood, Transportation Director at KVCAP, on services already being provided.

2/13/2018 - Waldo Transit Advisory Working Group, Belfast. Meeting of the Waldo County TAWG. Intent is to improve transit options in Waldo County.

2/15/2018 - Intercity transportation discussion, Biddeford. Kickoff of study to determine intercity transit needs, with YCCAC, SMPDC, Shuttlebus staff and consultant.

2/20/2018 - Knox/Lincoln Transit Advisory Working Group, Rockland. Discussion of flex-route transit service in Rockland. Included a field trip to ride the proposed new transit route.

2/27/2018 – Sagadahoc Transit Advisory Working Group, Bath. Discussion of existing services in the county.

3/2/2018 – Public Transit Advisory Council Meeting, Augusta. Agenda items discussed: PTAC web page, veterans transportation study, housing connection strategy, performance measures,

volunteer transportation network support, upcoming Moving Maine Symposium, transit workforce challenge.

3/23/2018 – Meeting with Maine Housing to discuss public housing and transit coordination, Augusta.

3/30/2018 – Gathering of representatives from community-based volunteer transportation groups to discuss needs and develop solutions at MaineDOT in Augusta. Recommendations revolve around hiring a networking consultant to assist with peer cross-training, best practice sharing, technical assistance provision and investigate bulk purchase of ride-matching software.

4/11/2018 – MassDOT Mobility Exchange. Worcester, MA. Attended sessions regarding mobility management and rural transit.

4/18/2018 – Volunteer Transportation Steering Committee, Augusta. Discussions revolved around how to provide technical assistance to volunteer networks.

4/20/2018 – MaineCare Region 4 Advisory Committee meeting at KVCAP in Waterville. Semi-annual advisory committee meeting to hear brokerage update and get public input.

4/24/2018- Panel Discussion on Engaging Older Adults, hosted by Maine Housing in Augusta. Transportation raised as biggest recurring issue.

4/24/2018 – Sagadahoc Transportation Advisory Work Group meeting at Mid-Coast Maine Community Action in Bath 2 – 4pm. Discussion around feasibility of expanding service from Bath to Wiscasset.

4/26/2018 – MaineCare Region 3 NET Advisory Committee meeting at Penquis in Bangor. Semi-annual advisory committee meeting to hear brokerage update and get public input.

5/1/2018 – Shoreline Explorer preseason meeting at YCCAC in Sanford 10-11:30 am.

5/10/2018 – Mountain Explorer Advisory Committee Meeting conference call.

5/17/2018 – Moving Maine Seminar @ Governor Hill Mansion in Augusta. Presentations regarding mobility management efforts in Maine and elsewhere, networking opportunity, discussion of volunteer driver transportation programs, next steps to grow the statewide mobility management network.

6/5/2018 – Maine Council on Aging Membership Meeting, Hallowell. Discussed need of aging population.

6/7/2018 – Public Transit Advisory Council Meeting – Augusta. Agenda items included: Long Range Transportation Plan, Maine DHHS programs, Maine Shared Community Health Needs

Assessment, Locally Coordinated Plan, Mobility Options promotion, Low-No Grant application for Metro/Shuttlebus.

6/20/2018 – NHDOT Intercity Bus Consultation Process meeting #1, NHDOT, Concord. Overview of NH's consultation process, discussion of existing intercity services in NH, and presentation of initial needs analysis.

7/5/18 – Met with Mark Kemmerle of Developmental services advisory board.

7/9/2018 – Consultation with Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians at tribal office in Littleton.

7/10/2018 – Mountain Explorer Advisory Committee meeting at WMTS in Auburn 10 – 11 am.

7/20/2018 – Disability Pride Day in Capital Park. MaineDOT had a booth in the park providing information on MaineDOT sponsored services and working with attendees to complete Transit Surveys.

7/31/18 – Consultation with Passamaquoddy Tribes at Indian Township and Pleasant Point at their respective tribal offices.

8/28/2018 - NHDOT Intercity Bus Consultation Process meeting #2, NHDOT, Concord. Further review of ongoing consultation process, description of project concepts, and presentation of cost/ridership estimates.

9/12/2018 – Maine Wisdom Summit Transportation Working Group Discussion and outreach via MaineDOT booth and Long-Range Plan Survey.

9/18/2018 – Barbie attended Maine Developmental Services Oversight and Advisory Board meeting at the Curtis Memorial Public Library in Brunswick from 10 am to 12:20 pm. Gave overview of Transit Services outlining the different types of bus routes/services (i.e.: fixed urban; flex rural; and demand response), different types of FTA funds our office helps statewide transit providers obtain (i.e.: 5311, 5310); and answered questions from the MDSOAB Board members. Explained urban areas of state vs. rural areas.

9/19/2018 – Consultation with Aroostook Band of Micmac Indians at tribal office in Presque Isle.

9/19/18 – Impact Cancer Network meeting discussions on the importance of volunteer drivers.

9/21/2018 – Bidder/Consultation Meeting for Intercity Bus RFP Process held at MaineDOT in conference room 216. Meeting offered via Adobe Connect for interested parties unable to travel to MaineDOT Headquarters. Group discussion of intercity bus service, long range plan, and locally coordinated plan.

9/27/18 – Transportation and Community Well-Being Network (Southern Maine mobility efforts run by GPCOG)

10/1/18 – Brunswick Explorer Advisory Committee held in Brunswick. Discussion of routes, ridership, and expansion.

10/2/18 – Moving Maine Design team discussion on building the network.

10/16/2018 – MaineCare Region 3 NET Advisory Committee meeting at Penquis in Bangor. Semi-annual advisory committee meeting to hear brokerage update and get public input.

10/17/18 – Complete Streets, Augusta. Staff attended the FHWA-sponsored complete streets training held at Governor Hill Mansion. The training purpose was to ensure that projects are developed to account for the needs of all people, including those with disabilities, as well as other modes of travel beyond cars, such as transit.

10/25/2018 – MaineCare Region 4 NET Advisory Committee meeting at KVCAP in Waterville. Semi-annual advisory committee meeting to hear brokerage update and get public input.

November 2018 – Six public forums held across the state to discuss transit needs for inclusion in the locally coordinated transit plan. These forums were held in Caribou, Dover-Foxcroft, Kennebunk, Hallowell, Bangor, and Bethel. Participants identified needs, evaluated strategies, and prioritized projects to meet demand.

12/12/18 – Western Maine Transportation Services Regional Public Transportation Forum for Legislators and Business. Discussion specifically for legislators and businesses focused on why, and what, legislative action is needed to better fund public transportation to help support business's needs to train, recruit and retain workers, and how well-funded public transit can help get workers where they're needed as well as provide other economic benefits. Also a look at how public-private partnerships can be effectively employed to amplify state and federal funding to create a reliable, robust, relevant and sustainable public transportation infrastructure. Keynote speaker was Scott Bogren, Executive Director of the Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA).