

SMMPO Endorsement of the 2012 Regional Transportation Plan and Air Quality Conformity Determination

In accordance with 23 CFR Part 450 Section 322 (Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process: Transportation Plan) of the February 14, 2007 final Rules for Statewide and Metropolitan Planning, the Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMMPO) hereby endorses the 2012 Regional Transportation Plan (TPlan), at a public meeting held by the SMMPO on August 31, 2011.

In accordance with Section 176 (c)(4) of the Clean Air Act as amended in 1990 [42 U.S.C. 7251 (a)], the SMMPO for the SRPEDD Region has completed its review and hereby certifies that implementation of the 2012 Regional Transportation Plan satisfies the conformity criteria specified in both 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93 (August 15, 1997) and 310 CMR 60.03 (December 30, 1994); furthermore this Plan includes all regionally significant transportation projects contained in the SMMPO 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The projects in the TIP are of the same design and concept that were analyzed in the TPlan. Therefore, no new air quality analysis is required for the TIP. Both the SMMPO 2012 T-Plan and the SMMPO 2012-2015 TIP are consistent with the air quality goals and in conformity with the Massachusetts State Implementation Plan.



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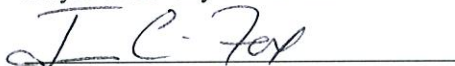


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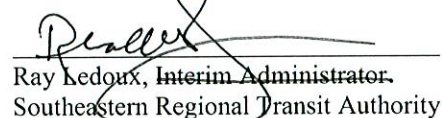


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The Signatories of the SMMPO (or their designees) took this action at a public meeting of the MPO on August 31, 2011.