

# TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup> 2021**  
**9:00AM - 11:00AM**





# CALL TO MEETING & ROLL CALL

# AGENDA

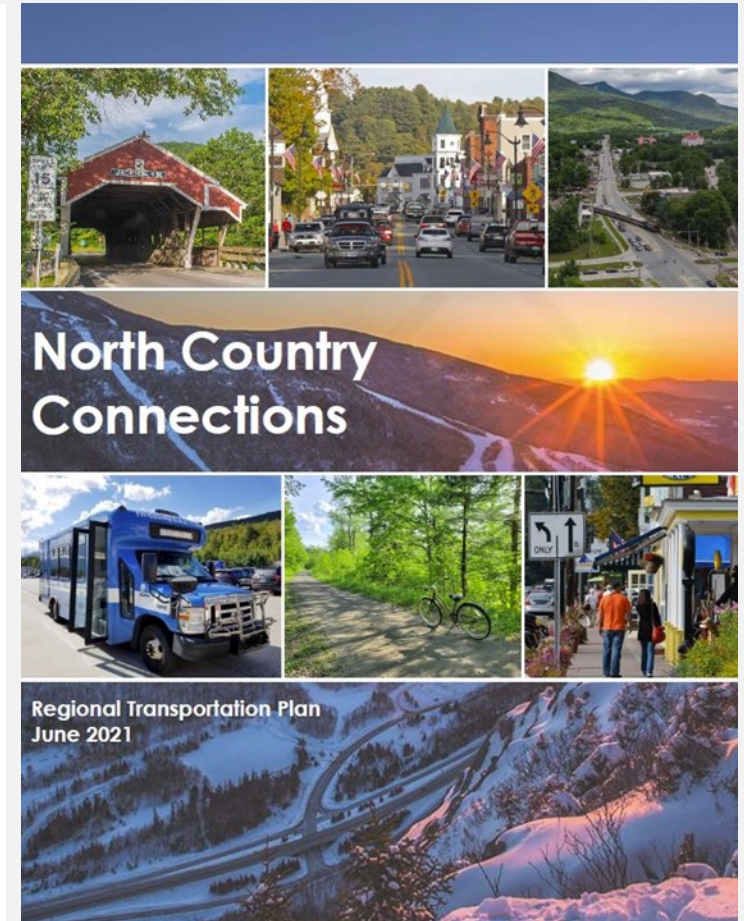
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2. NORTH COUNTRY CONNECTIONS  
(2021 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN)
4. UPDATES
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  - Scenic Byways
  - Updates From Communities
5. FINAL THOUGHTS/COMMENTS
6. ADJOURN

# REVIEW & VOTE ON MINUTES

# NORTH COUNTRY CONNECTIONS

## Differences from 2015 RTP

- unique title
- more accessible through educational section and shorter plan overall
- data housed online
- corridor approach versus the labor market approach



# NORTH COUNTRY CONNECTIONS

## Layout & Contents

### 5 sections:

- Introduction
- Vision, Goals, and Objectives
- Transportation Context & Concepts
- North Country Corridors
  - 14 corridors
- Regional Transportation Improvement Program

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The Vision provides an overarching approach to maintaining, improving, and expanding the transportation network in the region, based on current and future needs. The Goals and Objectives provide recommendations with flexibility to allow for solutions to be tailored to future identified transportation issues. The Goals and Objectives have been derived from criteria that is used in transportation funding sources in order to reinforce the link between transportation planning and implementation.

The next section of North County Connections is the Transportation Context and Concepts section, which provides information about various transportation topics. It introduces transportation basics, how the transportation system is operated and funded in the region, and offers "best practices" perspectives on how to assess transportation challenges, transportation impacts, and transportation-related trends.

Following Transportation Context and Concepts are the North County Corridors, which provide a summary profile of fourteen corridors in the North County region. A summary of data and information is provided for each corridor which includes an identification of each Corridor's geographical area, existing transportation infrastructure, *demographic data*, and identified transportation projects. Each corridor is accompanied by maps, tables, and graphs for People needing help interpreting this data can go back to the Transportation Context and Concepts section for assistance.

## DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

statistical information, such as: population, income and poverty, travel and vehicle trends, commuting and economic data, and housing and land use

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- Objective 1A:** Preserve mobility in all 14 corridors identified in North Country Connections North Country Corridors section
- Objective 1B:** Maintain public access of existing public infrastructure
- Objective 1C:** Improve mode of transportation choices as well as the quality of existing alternative choices inside the region and with outside destinations
- Objective 1D:** Support and encourage local efforts to improve street, sidewalk, bicycle path and virtual connectivity as well as land use practices that reduce overreliance on building transportation capacity or requirements for long-distance transportation solutions.



## SAFETY

- Goal 2:** The transport system should be designed and managed to eliminate fatalities and injuries.
- Objective 2A:** Design and manage to address the unique safety challenges of special populations including but not limited to senior citizens, the disabled and the youth
- Objective 2B:** Eliminate safety risks associated with poor transportation asset conditions
- Objective 2C:** Address safety concerns of "incomplete streets" and their effect on the traveling public's comfort level while walking, biking or using transit
- Objective 2D:** Proactively mitigate potential dangers associated from severe storm events and other causes of potential hazards

## ENVIRONMENT

- Goal 3:** The transport system should help preserve and enhance natural, cultural and historic resources.
- Objective 3A:** Reduce greenhouse gases from transportation emissions
- Objective 3B:** Support existing environmental features and high quality water, soil, and air
- Objective 3C:** Preserve the sense of place in villages, downtowns, parks and other unique cultural and historic destinations
- Objective 3D:** Preserve elements of the region's transportation history including its historic bridges, trestle bridges, railroad depots, and rail rights of way



## ECONOMY

- Goal 4:** The transport system should support and enhance the regional economy.
- Objective 4A:** Foster a reliable business climate for existing and new businesses
- Objective 4B:** Leverage, attract, and stimulate new investment
- Objective 4C:** Nurture and support regional economic diversity
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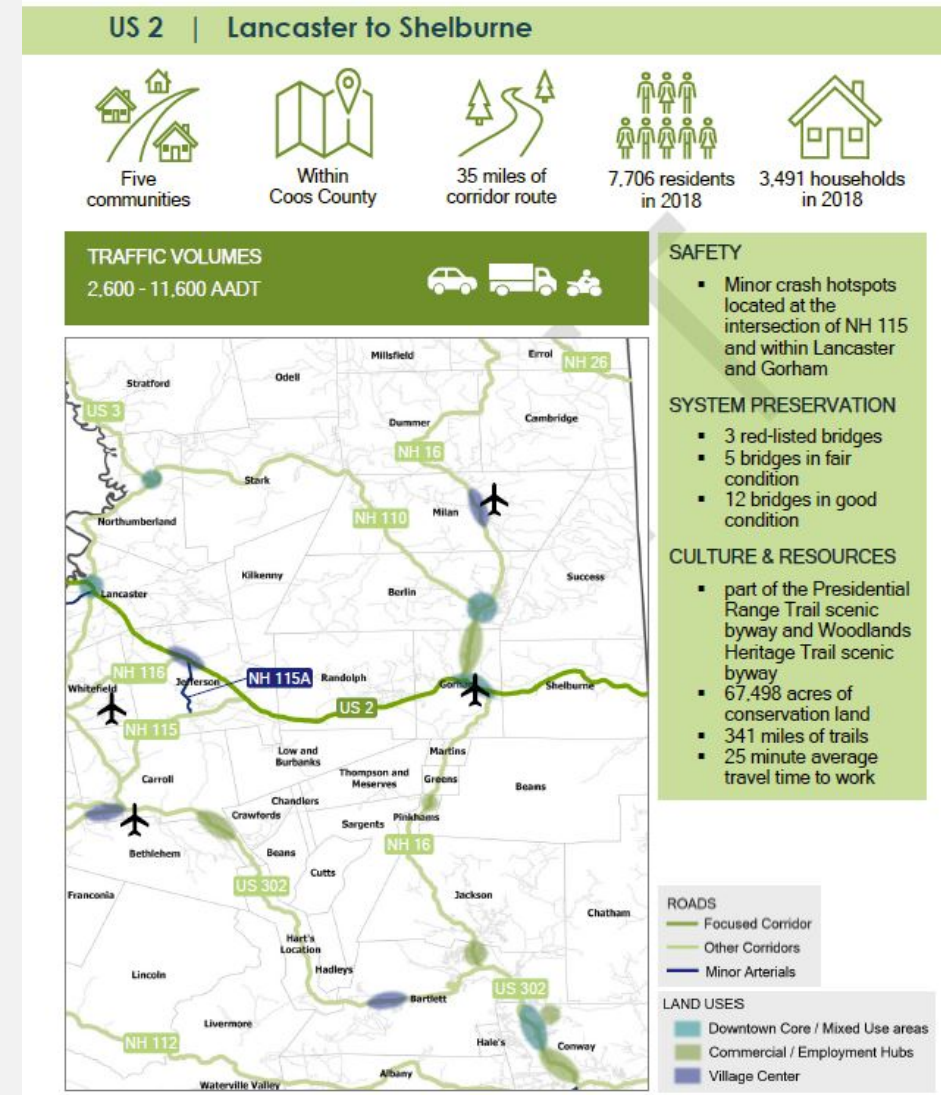


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## Corridors

- add narrative?
- add more snapshot data?
- ?

**DISCUSSION**



# OPTIONAL BREAK (5 MINUTES)





# REGULAR UPDATES

## NCC PROJECTS

- **Complete Streets**

- » virtual workshop on June 23
- » pop-up events
- » technical assistance with policy creation

- **Culvert Assessments**

- » 100 assessments done in June (Bartlett)
- » another 200+ planned for July/August (Conway, Chatham, Jackson,)



# REGULAR UPDATES

## NCC PROJECTS

- **On-Call Engineering Services**
  - » max contract of \$20,000
  - » expected to hire by September 1 2021
  - » goes until June 30<sup>th</sup> 2022
  
- **Ride&Rack**
  - » People for Bikes grant, partnership with xNHAT
  - » application due July 24; \$10,000 max



**people for bikes**



# REGULAR UPDATES

## SCENIC BYWAYS

- Carl Martland

## UPDATES FROM COMMUNITIES

- Updates, questions, comments



# FINAL THOUGHTS/COMMENTS

