# 2018 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Project Summaries

North Country Council Transportation Advisory Committee

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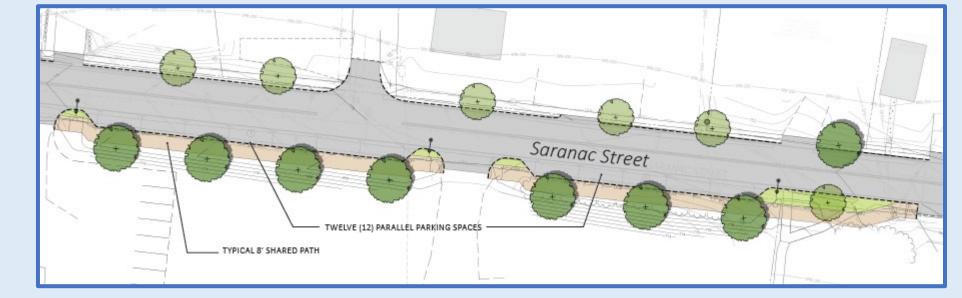


### **TAP Overview**

- Funding source for non-motorized transportation infrastructure projects
- Municipalities are responsible for 20% of project costs, are reimbursed for remaining 80%

Examples in our region: Littleton River District & Colebrook Main

Street



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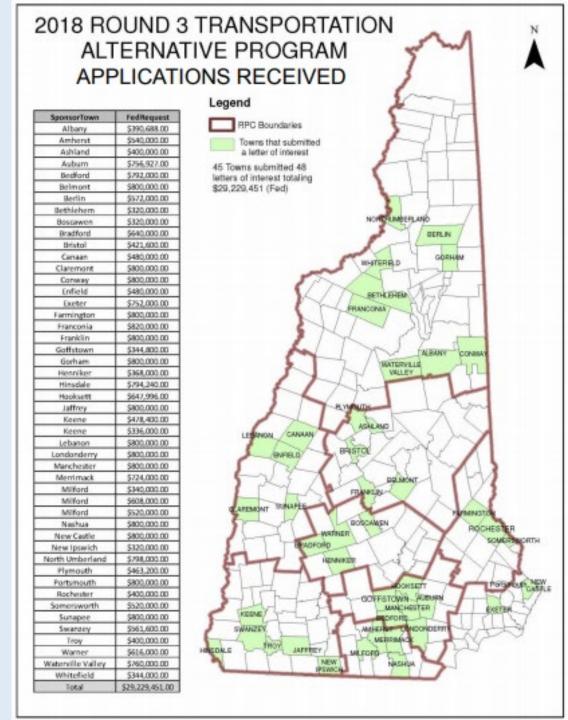
#### **Statewide:**

- \$5.3 million available
- Received 38 applications requesting \$22.6 million

#### **NCC Region**

- 9 towns submitted letters of intent; 6 towns submitted applications
- \$3.6 million in funding requested





# **Project Prioritization Process**

- Final project rankings performed by Statewide TAP Advisory
   Committee
- Prioritization based on set criteria and weights (next slide)
  - Regional Planning Commission rankings count for 6% of project score
    - NCC staff committee develops draft rankings
    - TAC finalizes rankings
- Number of funded projects varies depending on size of projects submitted and available funding



# **Project Ranking Criterion**

Category	Criterion	NHDOT Weight	NCC Weight
Potential for Success	<ol> <li>Project Readiness</li> <li>Financial Readiness</li> <li>Feasibility</li> </ol>	37%	42%
Safety	<ol> <li>Stress Analysis</li> <li>Improve Safety</li> <li>Conditions</li> </ol>	27%	33%
Project Connectivity	1. Project Connectivity	18%	25%
Socioeconomic Benefits	1. Socioeconomic Benefits	12%	N/A
RPC Ranking	1. RPC Ranking	6%	N/A
Total		100%	100%

# Albany: Passaconaway Road Reconstruction, Realignment, and Safety Improvements

- Purpose & Need:
  - Roadway as narrow as 16 feet
  - Steep bank to Swift River with little protection
  - Embankment erosion contributes to drainage issues and road damage (poor condition)
  - Road is used by bicyclists (NCC counts)





# **Albany:**

# Passaconaway Road Reconstruction, Realignment, and Safety Improvements

- Total project cost: \$503,681.88 -> TAP request: \$402,945.50 (80%)
- Widening and realignment of "Narrows" (16 ft → 22 ft)
- Reconstruct/repave 6,325' of road surface
- Installation of guardrail on river side of rd
- Slope stabilization





# Albany: Passaconaway Road Reconstruction, Realignment, and Safety Improvements

- Project Notes:
  - Have already appropriated some funds into Capital Reserve Fund
  - Selectboard committed to 2019 warrant article for funding
  - Letters of support from selectboard, Rep. McKonkey, Councilor Kenney, WMNF, MWVEC
  - Road widening, surface improvements, guardrail provide increased safety for bicyclists
  - Does not provide dedicated facility for bicyclists or pedestrians
  - Primarily a recreational bicycle route/access, though used by some local residents



# Berlin: Hutchins St Sidewalk Extension

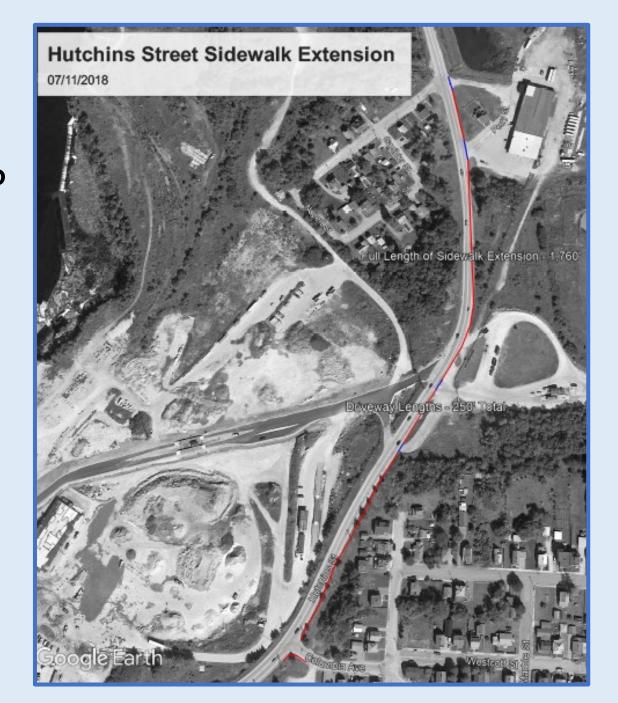
- Purpose & Need:
  - Road experiences heavy truck traffic
  - No pedestrian connection from Napert Village area to larger residential neighborhood, Mason St bridge, and downtown
  - Completing pedestrian loop connecting 12<sup>th</sup> St bridge





# Berlin: Hutchins St Sidewalk Extension

- Total project cost: \$715,240 → TAP request: \$572,192 (80%)
- Construction of 1,760 feet of sidewalk
- Pave driveway crossings





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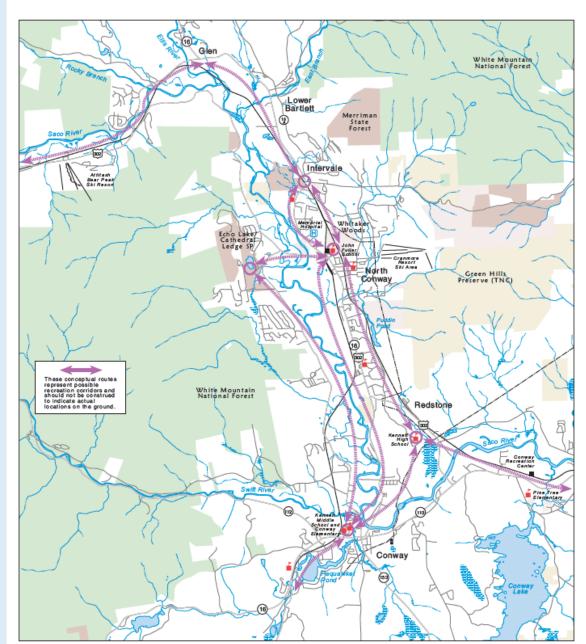
- Project Notes:
  - Have already appropriated all necessary funds from City's General Fund
  - Letters of support from city council and planning board
  - Project identified by local youth in presentations to planning board and city council
  - Project connects isolated residential area to larger neighborhood, parks, and downtown, and completes pedestrian loop that is part of multi-decade East Side Arterial project
  - Pedestrian connectivity to residential areas identified as goal in Master Plan
  - Potential ROW ownership issues, though unlikely

# Conway: MWV Recreation Path – Phase 2

- Purpose & Need:
  - Connect Phase 1 Rec Path project (CMAQ-funded) from Hemlock Lane to existing Rec Path starting Smith-Eastman Park on Meetinghouse Hill Road
  - Provide alternative bikeped route to US 302 in Redstone area



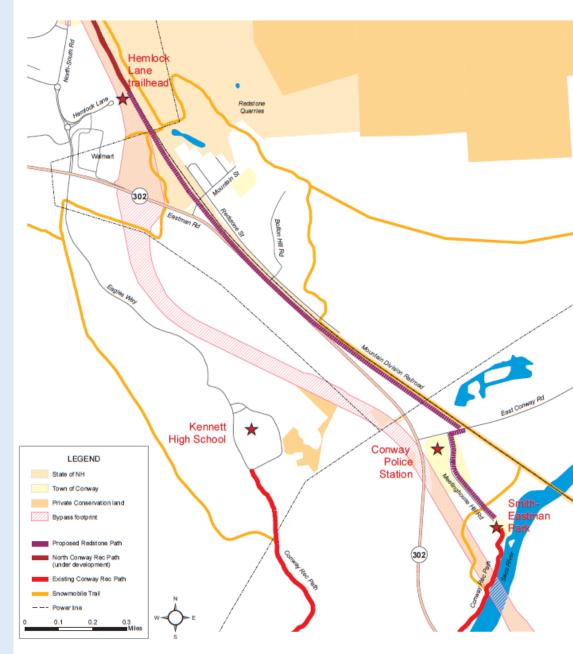
#### Mount Washington Valley Recreation Path



### Conway: MWV Recreation Path – Phase 2

- Total project cost: \$1,291,660 → TAP request: \$800,000 (68%)
- Construction of paved, 1.75-mile,
   10-foot wide multi-use path







# Conway: Section of Conway Recreation Path – Phase 2

- Project Notes:
  - Part of a phased plan (codified in Town Master Plan and Town Trailways Plan) for a network multi-use paths
  - Public hearings for project held in front of Selectboard and Conservation Commission
  - Rural area of town, but does connect existing and planned paths
  - Town needs to raise ~\$500k for match; previously raised funds for Phase 1. Selectboard has committed to placing warrant article.
  - Application indicates support from a variety of community partners



# Franconia: NH 116 Multi-Use Path and Road Widening

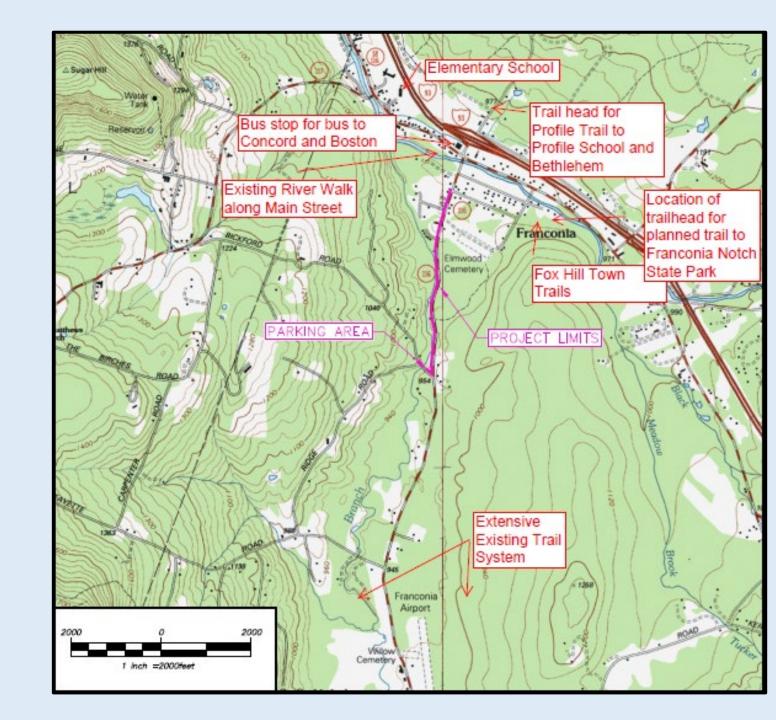
- Purpose & Need:
  - Provide safer walking and cycling along curvy, narrow section of NH 116
  - Connect residential area (Bickford Hill Rd) to Town Center/existing paths





# Franconia NH 116 Multi-Use Path and Road Widening

- Total project cost: \$896,400 → TAP request: \$224,100 (75%)
- Construction of paved, 8foot wide multi-use path
- 3-foot roadway widening to allow striping of bike lane





# Franconia: NH 116 Multi-Use Path and Road Widening

- Project Notes:
  - Project identified in 2008 Town Master Plan
  - Selectboard has committed to placing warrant article to fund match
  - Connects residential area to town center
  - Outer limits of project area are fairly rural
  - Letters of support from Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Lafayette Recreation Association, Lafayette School PTO, Friends of Profile Trails, NH State Rep. Skylar Boutin, and Ammonoosuc Regional Energy Team



# Northumberland: Groveton Village Safe Routes to School Walkway Project

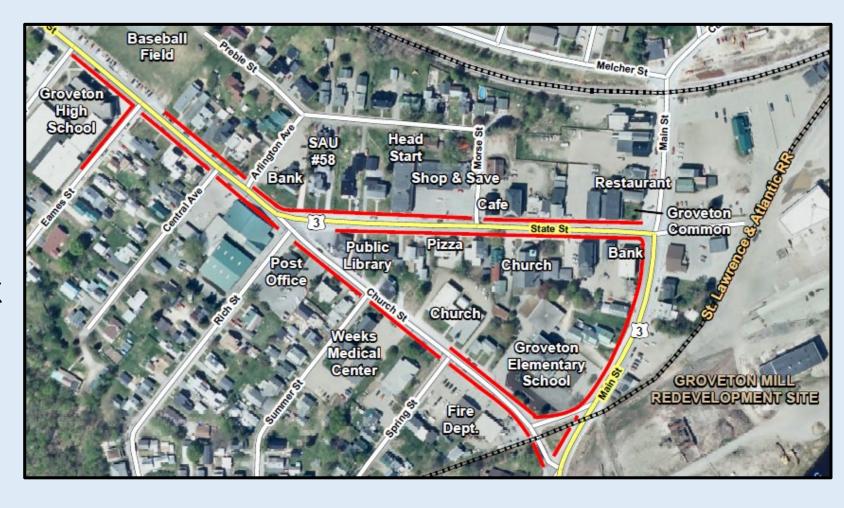
- Purpose & Need:
  - Safety concerns with cracked, heaved, crumbled and salt-damaged sidewalks in Village center
  - Areas of Village center without sidewalks (Elementary School)





# Northumberland: Groveton Village Safe Routes to School Walkway Project

- Total project cost: \$1,000,000 → TAP request: \$800,000 (80%)
- Rehabilitate and/or reconstruct 6,300 linear feet of sidewalk
- Construct new sidewalk near Elementary School on Church St





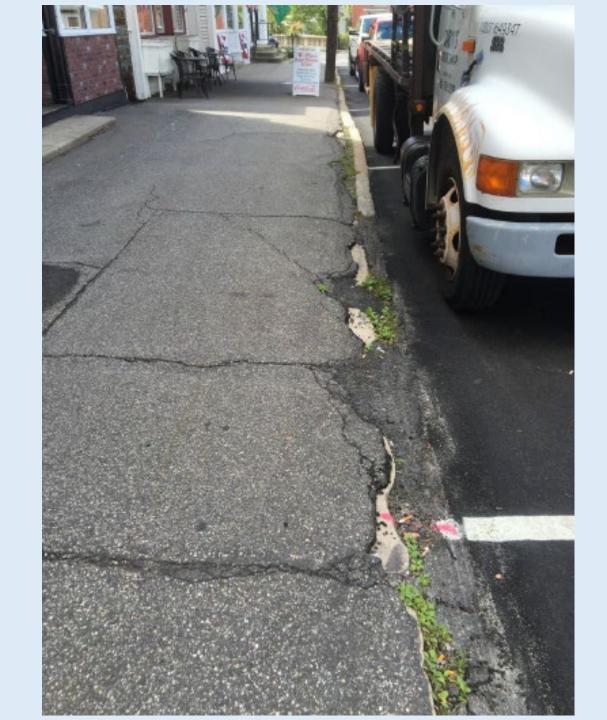
# Northumberland: Groveton Village Safe Routes to School Walkway Project

#### Project Notes:

- Sidewalk improvements identified in 2013 Safe Routes to School Travel Plan that was endorsed by Town, School, & Police, and is incorporated into 2014 Town Master Plan
- Selectboard has committed to placing warrant article to fund match. Town has \$200,000 previously raised for different project that can be reallocated.
- New sidewalk construction on Church St next to Elementary School may require conversion of road to one-way due to smaller ROW, will need to be approved via warrant article.
- Letters of support from Congresswoman Kuster, District 2 State Rep. Moynihan, District 7 State Rep. Merner, Regional Economic Action Team (GREAT), SAU 58, Groveton Ambulance Corps, and the Northumberland Police Department

# Whitefield: King's Square Sidewalk Replacement, NH 116 Sidewalk Construction

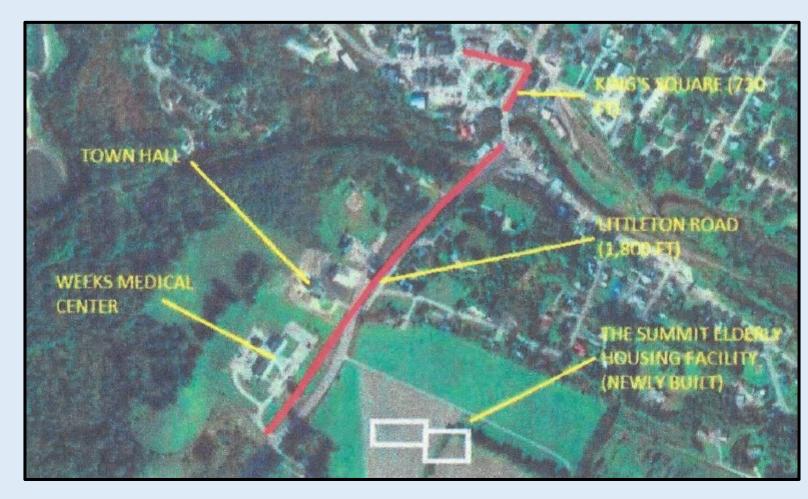
- Purpose & Need:
  - Uneven and cracked sidewalks in King's Square
  - Lack of pedestrian access from King's Square to senior living facility, town hall, and Weeks Medical Center on NH 116





# Whitefield: King's Square Sidewalk Replacement, NH 116 Sidewalk Construction

- Total project cost: \$431,200 → TAP request: \$344,960 (80%)
- Replace sidewalks on Elm St and Lancaster Rd (US 3)
- Construct new sidewalk along NH 116 to Weeks Med. Center





# Whitefield: King's Square Sidewalk Replacement, NH 116 Sidewalk Construction

- Project Notes:
  - Community support for sidewalk improvements identified in recent community survey. Voters have approved locally-funded sidewalk projects in recent years.
  - Selectboard has committed to placing warrant article to fund match.
  - Project improves pedestrian connectivity to and within town center
  - Significant grade issues along NH 116; warrant article will ask for additional funds for potential costs
  - Letters of support from Weeks Medical Center, Summit by Morrison Senior Living

