

Lakes Region Planning Commission Meeting

Monday, April 25, 2011 Wolfeboro Public Library 259 South Main Street – Wolfeboro, NH 6:00 P.M.

TO: LRPC Commissioners, Selectmen, Planning Boards, Transportation Officials, and Interested Parties:

The April 25 LRPC Commission meeting will focus on existing transportation funding options for local roads. Across New Hampshire, our primary and secondary roads are in need of maintenance and repair. In light of the possibility of reduced state funding for our secondary roads in particular, consternation has been raised questioning the long-term viability of the state's transportation investment. Local resources alone fail to keep up with a growing list of needs.

Cities and towns have only two sources of revenue to maintain and improve this infrastructure: State Aid from the Highway Fund or local property taxes. Municipalities share 12% of the amount of annual revenues raised in the Highway Fund, which are generated by the gas tax and motor vehicle fees. The only alternative available for towns and cities to raise additional revenue is to increase local property taxes. Without maintaining these revenues, municipal roads and bridges will continue to deteriorate. Over the past four years, the number of transportation projects from the Lakes Region in the state's Ten Year Plan has been dramatically reduced, and concerns are mounting about falling farther behind.

To identify the funding options available to our municipalities for transportation improvements, Nancy Mayville, NH Municipal Highways Engineer, and C.R. Willeke, Project Manager, from the **NH DOT Community Assistance and State & Federal Highway Aid Programs** will provide an overview of the **fourteen (14) available state and federal aid programs**. In depth details about the State Aid Highway and State Aid Bridge programs will

This is an excellent opportunity for local and regional officials and the public to learn more about available local transportation funding options. In addition to the presentation from the NH DOT, the LRPC Commissioners will be asked to approve the proposed 2011 Lakes Region Transportation Improvement Program, as well as the proposed FY 12 LRPC Budget.

All LRPC Commission meetings are open to the public. Please contact us at 279-8171 or lrpc@lakesrpc.org for additional information or special accommodation.

AGENDA

6:00 pm	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS/ <i>Robert Snelling</i> , LRPC Chairman Approval of the Minutes of the March 28, 2011 LRPC Commission Meeting (enclosed*)			
	Yes	No	Amended	
6:10	PROPOSED FY 12 LRPC BU The LRPC Commissioners appro		aclosed*).	
	Yes	No	Amended	
6:25	EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT STATE AND FEDERAL HIGHWAY AIR PROGRAMS/ Nancy Mayville, Highway Engineer; C.R. Willeke, Project Manager; NH DOT Community Assistance and State and Federal Highway Aid Programs			
7:15	LAKES REGION 2011 TRAN Izard, LRPC Principal Planner The LRPC Commissioners appro			(TIP) Michael
	Yes	No	Amended	. .
7:45	OTHER BUSINESS Adjourn			
* Requires C	Commission Approval	-		

Light Refreshment Available (meeting directions on reverse)