

NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF MPOs  
CLIMATE CHANGE WORKING GROUP  
MAY 21, 2014

MEETING NOTES

☒ Participating

- A/GFTC – Kate Mance
- BMTS – John Sterbentz
- CDTC – Chris O’Neill
- GTC – Joe Bovenzi
- HOCTS – Jeff Quackenbush
- NYMTC – Larry McAuliffe
- NYSDOT – Colleen Smith-Lemmon, Cathy Kuzsman
- NYSDEC – Lois New
- NYSERDA – Adam Ruder

☒ NYSDOT and NYSERDA updates

Smith-Lemmon: reports on flooding vulnerability assessment. This is a statewide assessment of vulnerable streets, bridges, and culverts. The task is almost complete. Staff at NYSDOT Residencies provided locations of past and anticipated flooding; noted magnitude of impact of specific road closures in terms of both traffic and regional economic concerns. Will be incorporated into Capital Program Update structure.

NYSDOT is interested in county and local perspective.

Bovenzi: GTC recently awarded PB a critical infrastructure study for its 9 county region. They would find NYSDOT data useful. Looking at the full transportation system irrespective of ownership. Includes 1600 bridges – lots of analysis.

Smith-Lemmon: There may be limits on sharing mapping; will check.

Quackenbush: Is this analysis just the State system? Smith-Lemmon: Yes

HOCTS is looking at doing this assessment for the MPO region.

**ACTION ITEM:** Bovenzi will share the GTC RFP/scope.

In response to a question on the NY Rising program (Sandy recovery), Smith-Lemmon indicated she does not have information.

NYSERDA:

Ruder reports

- Solicitation for public CNG fueling stations is out as of this week (PON2818 – on website).
- Joint solicitation with NYSDOT for demonstration projects related to underutilized commercial technologies (freight and ITS this year) due soon.
- Next round of Cleaner Greener Communities grants is out; focused on the types of projects that have the potential to impact how a community develops. Transformative projects; wide range of possibilities in the program.

Mance: Is the Cleaner Greener solicitation part of CFA process? Ruder: Yes

Mance: A/GFTC has been sharing information about the program with local governments, encouraging applications.

Ruder: There are resources on NYSERDA website, including response to questions.

☒ FHWA INVEST webinar debrief

Mance reported the webinar was helpful in understanding the tool.

FHWA staff are available as resources.

Bovenzi: GTC used for LRTP analysis in 2012. Found it to be useful.

Gayle suggests this stay on agenda so MPOs can report if they use INVEST, and what recommendations they found helpful

☒ Status of Outstanding Items

- White paper on planning for sustainable transportation and communities

Mance: The intent is to use this to highlight best practices. Have not received feedback from MPOs. Steve will circulate the synthesis that was completed after the surveys RSG did last fall so MPOs can have an opportunity to update their input.

- EV Charging Networks fact sheet

Few comments received on text-only version. Gayle will have RSG prepare a draft with graphics, which may stimulate additional comments

☒ Next meeting Aug 20.