BPAC Legislation and Policy Conference Call
January 28, 2015, 10:00am

Participants:

Janna Chernetz—Tri-State Transportation Campaign
Joseph Powell—NJ Department of Transportation
Emily Armstrong—Motor Vehicle Commission
James Sinclair—Rutgers-VTC

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First order:

Need for group to present to executive council and have buy-in from all members of group when doing so. Difficult situation where role of group may be to push for (or lobby for) policies, but certain members of group are barred from lobbying.

No decision made during call, but talked about having MVC and DOT act in advisory role, and support need for new legislation, but abstain from voting on specifics in executive council vote. Also possibility of voting “no position”.

Second order:

Need one actionable item for next general BPAC meeting. Discussed recommending that the DOT pedestrian safety action plan language be adopted in a law to support vulnerable users via increased penalties in cases of injury or death. Will present at next general meeting (March 18).