



NJ Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Council Thursday, June 11, 2015, 10:30-11:30am

Executive Council attendees: all present except Caroline, and Cyndi

1. Subcommittee Meetings
2. BPAC General Meeting
 - a. Welcome and introduction - Charles
 - b. NJDOT updates - Debbie
 - i. Close to completing pedestrian safety management system to prioritize ped projects (only for state routes), and will do ped RSA
 - ii. Road diet pilot projects coming up, one in each MPO. Will do studies and analyses, followed by future potential funding to implement projects; will be doing trainings for munis and counties etc. to teach about road diets (from FHWA). BPAC members encouraged to go.
 - iii. Will update bike/ped state master plan soon
 - c. Ped Safety Implementation Action Plan discussion - Debbie

Greg discussed his comments on plan: DOT will fund consultants to help municipalities to apply for grants; improving ped access to transit; continue funding local and country programs;
 - d. Subcommittee Reports and Discussion - subcommittee chairs

Design/infrastructure: peer exchange amongst members; joint subcommittee meeting to develop a statewide method for ped/bike data collection (data collection summit this summer); bikes on shoulders issue (developed a primer about issues and current state of the practice - wants subcommittees to review it. Debbie to have AG to review legality of riding on shoulders.); encouraging DOT to adopt NACTO/AASHTO design guidance

 - i. Legislative/policy subcommittee: present to subcommittee proposed policies/legislation and members can make comments without endorsing or not. Comments then to submitted to DOT. Members could also provide policy suggestions/ideas. Members asked to propose possible changes to DOT to:
 - 1) DOT CS policy;
 - 2) A960;
 - 3) S2885;
 - 4) A1600.Comments to bills open to everyone - Charles to email link to everyone. New bills to be presented at quarterly BPAC meetings.
 - ii. Safety: adding in-person meetings between BPAC meetings about halfway between general meetings; work with Design committee and DOT to improve data collection; goals:
 - 1) data repository;

2) find ways to use HSIP funds to advance projects;

3) ways to mitigate barriers of using HSM.

Championing the creation of a walking manual, similar to the bike manual. At meetings talking about specific projects or locations of concern.

e. Benchmarking Report - Charles

f. Public comments: Monmouth County revised its CS policy; Morristown has passed a CS policy; Circuit Coalition will release a survey on attitudes toward trails in their region

g. **next meeting: September 2015**