



**Legislative BPAC Subcommittee Meeting
October 3, 12:15pm to 1:30 pm
Rutgers University
33 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ**

Attendees: Janna Chernetz (Chair), Dana Dobson, Jim Hunt, Shweta Puri, Cyndi Steiner, Sonia Szczesna, Andy Anderson

First Order: Discussion of bike/pedestrian objectives written on white paper

Janna Chernetz presented white paper with six objectives that focused on various visions of improving biking and pedestrian infrastructure.

Objective 1: Primarily concerned with inner workings of DOT like adopting policies etc. (TBD for this objective)

Objective 2: Reduce motorist, pedestrian and cyclists traffic deaths to zero state wide.

Objective 3: Advance legislation to protect pedestrians and bicyclists and could also focus on past efforts done.

Objective 4: Complete streets

Janna spoke about how the group had been working on basic complete street policies that exist today and idea of combining it with new green street policies while also thinking additional benefits like equity, economy.

Handholding complete street from policy, construction, creation and project evaluation. So far, VTC, New Jersey future, Greater Mercer, AARP, Cyndi Steiner and John Boyle were doing it. Presently, consultant from NJDOT are working on this.

Objective 5: Build an equitable transportation network

TBD

Objective 6: Create a statewide off-road recreational & transportation multi-use trail network modeled on circuit trails in the Greater Philadelphia Area and proposed Empire State Trail Network in New York State.



Second Order: Create tear sheets for each objectives

Janna created list of members interested to work for above objectives.

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Contact: John Boyle- Research Director, Sonia Szczesna- South-Jersey coordinator, Tri-State Transportation Campaign, Andy Anderson- NJTPA Administrator for Middlesex County, Anthony.Gambilonghi@co.middlesex.nj.us, Jim Hunt, Leigh Ann Von Hagen

Objective 3: Advance legislation to protect pedestrians and bicyclists and could also focus on past efforts done.

Contact: Cyndi Steiner- Exec- Director, NJ Bike Walk & Coalition, Janna Chernetz, Director NJ policy for Tri-State Transportation Campaign

Objective 4: Complete streets. Group members mentioned on white paper with Janna.

Objective 5: Build an equitable transportation network. TBD

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Concerns about TAP Lapse & other funding options.

Andy: For grants availability, please contact Jennifer, in charge of safety committee who has an access to a google doc that lists all available grants along with entire application process.

Things to do:

Circulate objectives for edits/updates.

Language friendly for all users- advocate, residents, business owners, insurance company, law enforcement, state/ county/ municipality employees etc.

Revise layout to be reader friendly including graphics- Check with VTC if they can assign task.

Have a draft ready for presentation by the next BPAC meeting.