



**Design & Infrastructure BPAC Subcommittee Meeting
October 3, 9:30am to 10:30am
Rutgers University
33 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ**

Summary:

- DVRPC is closing applications for Safe Routes to Transit Program on October 5, 2018. Program focus on designing and funding pedestrian and bicycle improvements around rail stations.
- DVRPC is conducting a bikeshare study through a survey to know about public's interest in bike share. Please visit the website to get the link to the survey.

First Order: Introductions

Each member introduced self and talked about current or recent projects that their organization has been involved with.

Second Order: Presentation by Thom Stead & Matthaw Zochowski, DVRPC: Mercer County-2018 Bicycle Master Plan

Long Notes:

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- Thom briefed about how the project came to them through work program and were initially called to work only for a part of the plan but eventually offered to work on twelve hardest areas of road network. Mercer County conducted outreach to local advocates and identified priority roads and highways.
- DVRPC team conducted analysis on current road, highway and bike trail conditions and problems associated with them. To proceed the study, various planning tools were used like GIS layers- NJ Road centerlines, Land use, AADT, bus routes, truck routes, environmental data, Google earth aerials, excel spread sheets, multiple computer monitors.
- A complete street development was recommended. Recommendations suggested how bus and truck routes could be converted to two lane roads and how new parking could be designed. Providing no parking at all was also as option to look to.
- Through Value Code application, cost per miles were evaluated for areas considering bike lanes. Mercer County Bicycle Facility Selection Table also recommended new speeds and road diet strategies through buffering bike lanes and converting shoulders to bike lanes. Through examples like Spruce Street & Arctic Parkway (Ewing, NJ new road design options showing before and after images were shown.

At 10:25am meeting ended so the general BPAC meeting could start at 10:30am.