

Minutes: Design and Infrastructure Sub-Committee Conference Call – November 12, 2014, 2:00 pm

Attendees: Greg Krykewycz – DVRPC; Caroline Trueman – FHWA; John Flynn – NJDEP; Cassidy Boulan – DVRPC; Ryan W. Rapp – Middlesex County; Nipa Maniar – NJDOT; James Sinclair – Rutgers VTC

Summary:

Greg Krykewycz began meeting with a quick recap of previous discussion held during the last BPAC meeting. He reminded the group that those kay points are available on Google Document.

Group discussed role of the Design and Infrastructure sub-committee, and the level of action that should be taken.

Three key ideas came from the discussion:

- 1. Potential to use the New Jersey Bicycle and Pedestrian Resource Center website (http://njbikeped.org/) as home base for sub-committee, and as a gathering point for content
 - a. Home of best practices, cases, resources
 - b. Location for talking-points
 - c. Creating a place members and others can reference in public meetings, day-to-day conversations, etc.
 - d. Can be done in way similar to Complete Streets push
 - e. Can facilitate selling need for better infrastructure to skeptics
 - f. James Sinclair will discuss with Resource Center to see how this can be done
 - i. Update: Will be done
- 2. NJDOT 'inreach': Focus-groups to understand roadblocks at DOT that are preventing wider creation of good bicycle and pedestrian facilities
 - a. Conversation engagement within DOT to understand structure and opportunity for changes.
 - i. To advise DOT, we must understand DOT
 - b. How can bicycle and pedestrian projects better be integrated with or in current project flow and competition for funding?
- 3. Need for better use of crash data and bicycle and pedestrian counts for projects
 - a. New tool will be available soon (Pedestrian Safety Management System); need for sub-committee and others working on bicycle and pedestrian issues to be trained with this tool
 - b. Concerns about poor data quality, limited data points

End meeting. Next BPAC: December 11.