

# PACTS Technical Committee Meeting

## AGENDA

Tuesday, January 12, 2020

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Remote Meeting

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85427523196>

Call in: (301) 715-8592

Meeting ID: 854 2752 3196

As of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020, PACTS and GPCOG are holding all committee meetings via Zoom conferencing technology. We remain committed to full public access and participation in our meetings through remote access during the COVID-19 crisis. Remote meetings will be held in accordance with the requirements of LD 2167, Public Law Chapter 618.

Both the chat and Q&A features will be turned off during PACTS and GPCOG meetings to ensure full public access to telephone participants and to avoid the confusion of side conversations.

Public comment will be taken verbally during the public comment period. Members of the public who wish to speak should “raise their hands.” Participants joining by computer or mobile app can click on the “Raise Hand” button. Participants joining by telephone can dial \*9.

### 1. Welcome - Adam Bliss, Chair

### 2. Public Comments

The public will have an open comment period with a 3-minute limit per individual to comment on any issue, including items on the agenda.

### 3. Acceptance of 12/8/20 Minutes (Attachment A) – 5 min.

### 4. Project Updates (Attachment B) – 10 min.

The following project updates are attached:

- 2022 PACTS Municipal Partnership Initiative
- PACTS Collector Paving Working Group

Questions on specific projects may be addressed at this time.

***Recommended Action: For information only.***

## 5. 2021 PACTS Crack Sealing Selection (Attachment C) – 30 min

In 2020, PACTS ran a Crack Sealing Pilot Project using a Crack Sealing Set Aside from the PACTS MPI Policy. The PACTS Technical Committee approved a list in March 2020 using the following parameters to select road segments for treatment:

- 1<sup>st</sup> order sorted by Pavement Condition Index (PCI), beginning at a PCI of 76 and up.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> order sorted by average annual daily traffic (AADT) and decreasing.
- Per MaineDOT direction, total road segment mileage should be approximately 10 miles.
  - The Committee approved a list totaling 13 miles.

In November 2020, the PACTS Technical Committee recommended the following changes to the PACTS Crack Sealing Policy:

- Treat pavement in 2 subregions per year—Western and Southern or Northern and Central.
  - 2021 would begin with the subregions that received the fewest miles during the 2020 Pilot Project—this means starting with the Western and Southern subregions.
- Funding will come from the PACTS MPI Crack Sealing Set Aside, \$40,201, and will be supplemented from the PACTS Holding WIN, up to \$9,799—totaling a maximum of \$50,000 per year toward the PACTS Crack Sealing Program.
- All crack sealing segments will be field verified by MaineDOT prior to treatment.
  - If a segment is deemed an unfit candidate for crack sealing, it can be removed from the treatment list with MaineDOT’s recommendation. Municipalities will be notified of any candidates to be removed
- The PACTS Crack Sealing Program effectiveness will be evaluated again in late-2022 or early 2023.

Adhering to the parameters above, PACTS staff have developed a list of road segments for crack sealing treatment in 2021 (Attachment C). Please review the list and notify PACTS if any of the recommended segments have been treated in 2020 or are scheduled to be treated by the municipality between 2021-2023.

In an effort to reduce the instance of crack sealing a segment in one town then a different town then back to the same town. Staff have the following suggestions highlighted in *Attachment D*:

- Move the green highlighted Scarborough Payne Road segment down two spots to pair with the Scarborough Spurwink Road segment.
- Move the green highlighted Scarborough Broadturn Road segment up one spot to pair with the other Broadturn road segment.
- Move the orange highlighted Windham Albion Road segment up one spot to pair with the Windham Falmouth Road Easterly segment.

PACTS staff recommend the crack sealing list and order of segments in Attachment D.

***Recommended Action: Review and vote on the 2021 PACTS Crack Sealing Program recommendations.***

**6. Other Business**

**7. Adjourn.**

**Attachment A**

**PACTS Technical Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, December 8, 2020**

**8:30 AM -10:00 PM**

**Remote Meeting**

**In Attendance:**

<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
Tom Milligan	Biddeford	Y
Jay Reynolds	Cape Elizabeth	Y
Bill Shane	Cumberland	Y
VACANT	Executive Committee	
Justin Early	Falmouth	Y
Adam Bliss, Chair	Freeport	Y
Bob Burns	Gorham	N
Rebecca Grover	Maine Turnpike Authority	N
Darryl Belz	MaineDOT	Y
LaRay Hamilton	MaineDOT	Y
Clark Baston	North Yarmouth	N
Joe Cooper	Old Orchard Beach	N
Jeremiah Bartlett	Portland	Y
Nathan White	Raymond	N
Patrick Fox	Saco	N
Angela Blanchette	Scarborough	N
Abbie Sherwin	SMPDC	N
Justin Gove	South Portland	Y
VACANT	Transit Committee	
Katherine Kelley, Vice Chair	Westbrook	N
Mark Arianti	Windham	N
Erik Street	Yarmouth	Y
<b>Guests</b>		
Ernie Martin	MaineDOT	
David Lycette	MaineDOT	
Joe Gauthier	Maine Natural Gas	
Walter Hilenski	Northern Light Health	
Garth Vdoviak	Summit Natural Gas	
<b>For GPCOG</b>		
Elizabeth Roberts, Harold Spetla		

**1. Welcome- Adam Bliss, Chair**

Adam Bliss opened the meeting at approximately 8:35AM.

**2. Public Comments**

There was no public comment.

### **3. Acceptance of 11/10/20 Minutes**

Tom Milligan moved to approve the 11/10/2020 meeting minutes, Jay Reynolds provided a second. All Technical Committee members present voted in favor of approving the meeting minutes.

### **4. Project Updates**

The new agenda format includes written projects updates. Staff will address any items of interest to Committee members.

#### **PACTS High Crash Locations**

Darryl Belz asked PACTS staff if there were plans to extend the High Crash Locations contract with VHB. Harold confirmed that PACTS did anticipate extending the contract. Field reviews would conclude in December and extra time would be given to VHB to draft the final report. Harold noted the process slowed down a bit during the first few months of remote work around the COVID-19 response.

### **5. PACTS Synergy Roundtable**

Adam Bliss used the attached list of PACTS projects to move through the region by municipality, in alphabetical order.

Tom Milligan acknowledged the Biddeford intersection reconstruction project planned for 2023. Tom requested to have the full list of utility contacts distributed to the Technical Committee members. Adam noted that MaineDOT's website does have a page with utilities contacts. MaineDOT staff did follow up the meeting by distributing a list of utility contacts to members on the meeting distribution list.

Jay Reynolds noted that Cape Elizabeth's Scott Dyer Road overlay project was coming to a close, as well as the Route 77 Sidewalks project. Jay mentioned that Cape Elizabeth had been in close contact with the Water District.

Bill Shane confirmed that Cumberland's Tuttle Road rehab project had recently concluded.

Justin Early confirmed Falmouth had been coordinating for the 2021 Lunt Road mill and fill project.

Adam Bliss noted Freeport is preparing for their 2021 PACTS MPI multi use path project.

Jeremiah Bartlett noted that Portland's Forest Ave mill and fill was in the preliminary design report stage. Jeremiah also brought attention to the Brighton Ave (Route 25) intersection improvements, noting multimodal modernizations.

Westbrook was not able to attend, but did provide a project list to PACTS. Harold Spetla provided a brief summary including the Cumberland Mills signal project, intersection improvements at William Clarke Drive & New Gorham Road, a signal project at Cumberland & Bridge Street, and traffic light installations at Spring & Eisenhower and at Saco & Eisenhower—all scheduled for 2021. Westbrook identified mill and fill in the Cumberland Mills area for 2022. Following the review with each municipality, Adam Bliss expressed a desire to coordinate paving and sidewalks along Mallett Drive.

LaRay Hamilton asked the Technical Committee members and utilities to provide a list of all capital improvement projects scheduled for the next three years. PACTS staff and MaineDOT followed up on this after the meeting with an email to the meeting distribution list.

### **6. Other Business**

Tom Milligan noted that the number of remaining PACTS Technical Committee meetings was dwindling. Tom suggested PACTS ought to consider forming a group similar to the regional stormwater group (which meets every other month). Chris Chop mentioned there is a Public Works Director's meeting organized by GPCOG, which might also include York County. Harold Spetla followed up the meeting by providing appropriate contact information to Tom. Tom did not request any formal action on the matter.

## **7. Adjourn.**

Erik Street moved to adjourn at 9:35 AM; Tom Milligan seconded; all were in favor.

## ***Attachment B***

### **PACTS Project Updates**

#### **2022 PACTS Municipal Partnership Initiative**

PACTS is requesting municipalities submit project applications for 2022 PACTS MPI funding by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Project applications should be accompanied by the PACTS MPI Checklist (Attachment E)

Staff will review the applications from March 1<sup>st</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup>. In May, the Regional Transportation Advisory Committee will review proposed subregional projects and recommend a list of projects to the PACTS Executive Committee to adopt in June.

Please refer to the PACTS MPI Policy [here](#) for more information.

#### **PACTS Collector Paving Working Group**

The PACTS Collector Paving Working Group convened its third meeting on December 16<sup>th</sup> to discuss the PACTS Collector Paving Program. The working group consists of representatives from each subregion, a representative from the PACTS Technical Committee, two representatives from MaineDOT, and two representatives from the PACTS Executive Committee.

The December meeting consisted of finalizing recommendations to the PACTS Policy Committee regarding the selection process, segment standards, and funding schedule. The recommended revisions to the PACTS Collector Paving Policy will be available in the January 28<sup>th</sup> PACTS Policy Committee meeting agenda.

Information on the PACTS Policy Committee meeting and the meeting packet and agenda, when available, can be found [here](#).

**Attachment C**

City/Town	Road Name	From	To	Length (miles)	FACT_AADT	Predicted 2021 PCI
SACO	MARKET ST	IRVING ST	ELM ST	0.06	5532	76
SACO	BEACH ST	MAIN ST	OLD ORCHARD RD	0.87	10820	77
GORHAM	NEW PORTLAND RD	LOWELL RD	WESTBROOK TL	0.26	7447	77
WESTBROOK	E BRIDGE ST	BRIDGE ST	CARLSON ST	1.38	6603	77
BIDDEFORD	JEFFERSON ST	SOUTH ST	ALFRED ST	0.17	5019	77
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SACO	SPRING ST SACO	NORTH ST	LINCOLN ST	0.46	5520	78
SACO	GARFIELD ST	NORTH ST	CHERRYFIELD AVE	0.37	4050	78
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WINDHAM	FALMOUTH RD EASTERLY	FALMOUTH TL	ALBION RD	0.99	3228	78
GORHAM	LIBBY AV	NEW PORTLAND RD	MAIN ST	0.66	3030	78
WINDHAM	ALBION RD	WINDHAM CENTER RD	ROUTE 302	0.06	2659	78
SCARBOROUGH	BROADTURN RD	100' W OF DINER DR	MARTIN AV	0.13	6570	79
SCARBOROUGH	PAYNE RD	2000' N OF BEECH RIDGE RD	300' N OF BONNEY GROVE DR	0.77	6340	79
SCARBOROUGH	BROADTURN RD	MARTIN AV	CARPENTER CT	0.47	4821	79
BIDDEFORD	MAIN ST	660' W OF PLEASANT ST	SOUTH ST	0.42	2440	79
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WESTBROOK	NEW GORHAM RD	GORHAM TL	WILLIAM B CLARKE DR	0.60	7781	80
GORHAM	NEWELL ST	ROUTE 202/4	HUSTON RD	0.33	6731	80
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**Attachment E**  
**PACTS Municipal Partnership Initiative Policy Checklist**

**Municipality:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Location** \_\_\_\_\_

**Estimated Project Cost:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PACTS MPI Funds Requested:** \_\_\_\_\_ percent \_\_\_\_\_

**Local Match Funds:** \_\_\_\_\_ percent \_\_\_\_\_

**Description of Project Location:** Start and end points, length, and other information necessary to identify the location of this project.

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**Purpose and Need:**

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**Scope of Work:** Please described the scope of work including the begin/end points Clearly describe the dimensions and time frame of the project?

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**Design Exceptions:** Will the project require MaineDOT design exception approval? If so, what exceptions are anticipated?

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**Council Endorsement:** Does the project indicate council endorsement? Which council has endorsed the project and what is the date of their endorsement? If the project has not been endorsed, when is the endorsement expected? Endorsement of the project is required prior to funding or signing any agreement.

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**Municipal Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Daytime Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Fed. Func. Classification:** \_\_\_\_\_ **AADT:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Project reviewers will check the adjacent box to indicate that a requirement or criteria has been met. If the box is not checked, reviewers will follow up with the applicant community to advise them of their omission. Reviewers should extrapolate in the provided lines, when necessary.*

**Requirements**

- Professional Engineer Certified:** Does the project proposal identify a State of Maine licensed engineer who will certify that the project was completed to specification? Please provide the name and contact information for the engineer.

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- 10-Year Useful Life:** Please provide the estimated useful life for this project.

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- Deliverability:** Construction must commence within twelve (12) months and construction must be certified complete in twenty-four (24) months from when a Cooperative Agreement is executed. If timelines are not met PACTS may reallocate funding to other eligible projects in other communities. However, the municipality may request an extension if extenuating circumstances exist. Has the municipality demonstrated they have the ability or can obtain the ability to administer the project? Please outline how the community will administer the project.

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- Public Involvement: Does the municipality plan to, and have the ability to, lead the public involvement process consistent with all laws, including Maine’s Sensible Transportation Policy Act? The value and extent of documented community support will be considered a project benefit. Please describe the public involvement process.

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- Betterment to the State Transportation System: Is the project an improvement above and beyond mitigation work for a traffic movement permit, or above and beyond the legal requirements of a highway opening permit? Please explain.

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- Multiple Party Agreements: Is the municipality and all involved parties willing to enter into an agreement whereby the PACTS state funds contribution is capped based on project estimates prior to construction?

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- Right-of-Way Acquisition: Does the project fall within existing right-of-way, or does the municipality have the ability to secure necessary property rights?

The PACTS MPI will only reimburse for the right of way required for the transportation betterment. If this is required, the process shall be in accordance with all applicable State and Federal Laws. Please provide an explanation of expected Right-of-Way impacts.

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**Selection Criteria (Please give details)**

**Safety:** Will the improvement impact a direct safety need such as infrastructure improvements that address an area with a high crash history or potential for hazardous conditions? Please explain. *Use the MaineDOT Crash Query Tool website as a resource to identify HCLs.*

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**Economic Development & Job Creation:** Does the project allow for, or promote job growth and facilitate economic development? Please explain.

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**Degree of Betterment:** Does the project provide a greater infrastructure benefit than others; such as reducing maintenance costs, improving ride quality, or increasing multimodal mobility, safety, or accessibility? Please explain.

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**Percentage of Local Match:** Does the project have a higher than required fifty percentage of non-state funding. Please describe the local match.

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**Destination 2040:** Is the project aligned with any other goals of *Destination 2040*? A regional focus? Energy conservation? Protecting environmental quality? Please explain.

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**Customer Benefit:** Will travelers benefit from the proposed project? How? Please explain.

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