
**Northeastern Pennsylvania Metropolitan Planning Organization
2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
Notice of Public Comment Period, Public Hearing & Joint MPO Committee Meeting**

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Alliance (NEPA), designated by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Carbon, Monroe, Pike and Schuylkill counties, is the organization that will consider and approve the plans and programs and the Federal and State funding for highway and transit systems in the four-county MPO area. In accordance with the provisions of the Sunshine Law and federal transportation legislation, notice is hereby given that the NEPA MPO will hold a 30-day public comment period on the draft 2021-2024 TIP beginning on May 11, 2020 and ending on June 12, 2020. Public notice of public participation activities and time established for public review of and comments on the TIP will satisfy POP requirements.

NEPA has distributed for public review the following documents: 2021-2024 TIP including highway, bridge and transit project listings; TIP administrative procedures; transit financial capacity reports; air quality conformity analysis; environmental justice analysis determination; and related policy documents. These documents concern highway, bridge and transit projects for Carbon, Monroe, Pike and Schuylkill counties, for the four-year TIP, which will become effective on October 1, 2020. The Air Quality Conformity Analysis Report reflects the compliance of the transportation projects in Carbon County portion of the Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton nonattainment area to the 2008 8-hour ozone standard as written within the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. The Air Quality Conformity Analysis report also includes Monroe County designated as an Ozone Maintenance Area in accordance with guidance issued by EPA (EPA-420-B-18-050).

TIP documentation is available on NEPA Alliance’s website at www.nepa-alliance.org/transportation and at the following locations within the region by appointment only. Please call the phone number listed below to make an appointment.

Monroe County Planning Commission	Admin. Ctr., 1 Quaker Plaza	Stroudsburg, PA	570-517-3100
Monroe County Transportation Auth.	134 MCTA Drive	Swiftwater, PA	570-243-3411
NEPA Alliance	1151 Oak Street	Pittston, PA	570-655-5581
Pike County Administration Building	506 Broad St.	Milford, PA	570-296-7613

If additional County and State government offices reopen and become accessible to the general public during the comment period, notice will be posted on NEPA Alliance’s website identifying locations in the region where interested citizens may review a copy of these documents.

Due to health and safety concerns outlined in current COVID-19 directives, a public hearing will be conducted by videoconference and phone conference call only on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 9:30 AM. Information on connecting to the public meeting can be found on NEPA’s website at www.nepa-alliance.org/transportation or by calling (570) 655-5581, extension 249.

Individuals providing oral testimony will be allotted five minutes and must provide three (3) written copies of their testimony. Those unable to attend the virtual public hearing may provide written testimony by sending comments to the NEPA Alliance office at 1151 Oak Street, Pittston, PA 18640 or by emailing kmcmahon@nepa-alliance.org.

Notice also given that the NEPA MPO Technical Planning Committee and NEPA MPO Policy Board will conduct a joint virtual business meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at 9:30 AM to consider the endorsement and approval of the 2021-2024 TIP and action on other business matters. Following approval of the TIP, it will be submitted to the Commonwealth and the Federal Highway Administration.

The content of this advertisement is available in alternative formats and other languages upon request by contacting the NEPA MPO. Persons who plan to attend the announced meeting and require language interpretation services and/or special accommodations under the American with Disabilities Act should contact the NEPA MPO at least two (2) business days prior to the meeting. Contact the NEPA MPO by phone at (570) 655-5581, by written letter to NEPA MPO, 1151 Oak Street, Pittston, PA 18640, or by email to kmcmahon@nepa-alliance.org.

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