

Strafford Regional Planning Commission folks came to speak with the Selectmen about transportation priorities. Attached is a Word file that the Selectmen will work on this coming Monday evening. The map was supplied for discussion purposes. I am to pass it on to you, the PD and the Planning Board for any input you may wish to chime in on. Perhaps the PB could look at it on Wednesday. Sterndale will have a sense of the task.

I am still figuring out what is being asked for, but the discussion indicated that **it would be clearly the time to make the case for our local priorities to get on the State's short lists**. On page 16 is a long term list that the Selectmen mostly agreed with. They would add the recently flagged culvert crossing of Johnson Creek on Freshett Rd.

Of that list they would move to a 10 yr list, in the following order:

- #1 - Rt 155, Madbury Rd intersection
- #2 - Rt 9, French Cross Rd intersection
- #3 - Rt 108, Freshett Rd intersection

There is a different "short term" list for bridges, and on that list they would list:

- #1 - Nute Rd over the Bellamy
- #2 - Freshett Rd over Johnson Creek

I believe the items on pages 6-9 are more general survey type questions than identifying items for a list.

Page 10 is about rating what planning factors should be considered in a performance-based approach to projects.

Bottom line would be to solicit from the PB comment on what you see should be town and regional priorities and any general comment you might have. Assuming you are not too divergent from the Selectmen's listings above, it would also be good to have any comment that would strengthen the reasons why a project is important to the town (or region) An example would be the Selectmen saying that Rt 155 is important to Madbury, but also important to the region. Lots of folks from the region travel through it. Or for Nute Rd. they would point out that the bridge has a temporary patch and of those that live between the bridge and Barrington there is no alternative access (especially during mud season when Barrington closes the road).