

TO: CRCOG REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
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SUBJECT: BACKGROUND ON JANUARY 18TH RPC MEETING
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At the upcoming Regional Planning Commission meeting, CRCOG staff will present an update on the Complete Streets and Pedestrian and Bicycle Planning for the Capitol Region. This is an exciting time for bike ped planning in the Capitol region. In addition to having completed another successful regional bike ped count this past fall, CRCOG is launching a project to develop a plan and policy for a complete streets network in the Greater Hartford region. This plan will inventory currently available infrastructure, develop a map of desired regional complete streets linkages, create an action plan for developing the network, and create a policy for implementation. Municipalities in the region will also receive advice on best practices related to implementation and policy in a variety of contexts (from rural to urban).

Several pop-up public engagement events have taken place already and were very successful at creatively gathering preliminary input from a diverse group of the region's citizens on their needs with regard to complete streets. An advisory committee has met and shortly a technical advisory committee will begin to help CRCOG with initial data collection. A survey is currently available to the public to help us continue to get input on complete streets. The survey link is available at <http://crocogsurvey.com/>.

We will talk more about the complete streets plan and other bicycle and pedestrian initiatives at next week's meeting.

We look forward to seeing you on January 18th. If you have any questions in advance of the meeting, please feel free to contact me at 860-522-2217 ext. 219 or ehultquist@crcog.org.