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# I-90 Allston Multimodal Project

## Task Force Meeting Summary

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DATE: August 10, 2023

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- MassDOT convened a meeting of the I-90 Allston Multimodal Project Task Force on Thursday, August 10, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. It was a hybrid meeting with attendees meeting in-person at Boston University and online via Zoom. 34 people attended in person, and 72 registered to attend virtually.
  
- A presentation was provided to the group that followed the agenda:
  - Introductions
  - Potential “Early Action” Items
    - What is Possible
    - What is Prohibitive
  - General Updates
    - Interchange Design Refinements
    - Boston Planning & Development Agency (BPDA): RFP Update – Beacon Park Yard, Regional Framework Plan
    - Project Milestones & Next Steps
  
- Regarding “Early Action Items,” questions were posed by multiple attendees regarding what the term “evaluated but prohibitive” meant. It was explained that projects that were “evaluated but prohibitive,” may still be a part of the larger overall project, but are not feasible to complete before that time.



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- Plans for rehabilitation of the Cambridge Street overpass were shared. Concerns were raised about the size of bicycle and pedestrian lanes, as well as separation between them. Attendees requested a design charrette to discuss the design of this project and be involved to the greatest possible.
- Attendees voiced support of a Lincoln Street noise barrier and requested an update on this early action item in the coming weeks. Task Force members requested more frequent meeting in order to feel sufficiently involved in the design process.
- A request was made for further explanation of acronyms and map keys shown on project slides in the future for more thorough understanding.
- A request was made for coordination between the Allston Viaduct Preservation Team and the I-90 Allston Multimodal Project Task Force. The Project Manager agreed to reach out to the Viaduct Preservation Team.
- Another meeting of the I-90 Allston Multimodal Project Task Force will occur at a date to be determined in 2023.