

Interim Secretary & CEO Phillip Eng's Report to the Board

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Blizzard Impacts and Response

Largest Snowfall Since 2015

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- Approximately 3,000 pieces of equipment on roadways statewide.
- Equipment was redeployed Monday afternoon and evening to the South Coast to assist municipalities responding to extraordinary levels of snowfall.
- Parts of South Coast and the Cape saw over 2 feet of snow, along with gusts of 60-75 mph.
- Ban on non-essential travel for the South Coast and Cape Cod which was in place Monday afternoon through noontime yesterday.

Historic Investments in Transportation

Fiscal Year 27 Budget Filing Builds On Long Term Vision

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\$8B Investment over 10 Years

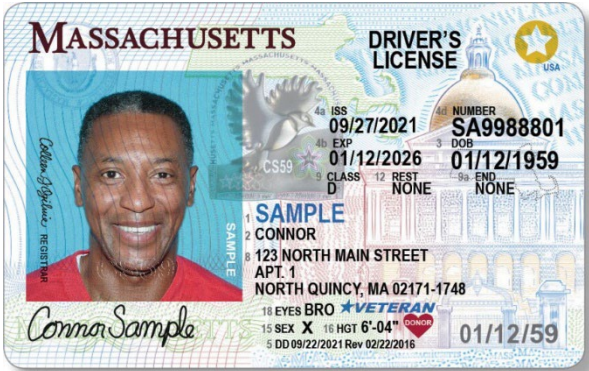


- **Investing** in MassDOT Capital Delivery
- **Modernizing** MBTA infrastructure and delivering a safer, more reliable service
- **Supporting** Regional Transit Needs
- **Empowering** communities through increased Chapter 90 funding

Proposed Legislative Reforms in FY27 Budget



Progressive Design Build



End Debt-Based Non-Renewals

massDOT		CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION		RMV Division	
M.G.L. Chapter 90 Section 24B makes it a crime to alter this Certificate					
PLATE TYPE	REGISTRATION NUMBER	REGISTRATION TYPE	EFFECTIVE DATE	EXPIRES LAST DAY OF	TRANSACTION NUMBER
PAY		PASSENGER	11/06/2017	09 19	
VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	YEAR MAKE MODEL	CLASS	VEHICLE TYPE	COLOR	REGISTRAR SIGNATURE
	2009 TOYT RAV4	RAV4	UTIL	GRAY	Not valid without official signature of Registrar
RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT)	INSURANCE COMPANY		# VEHICLE LICENSE PASSENGERS FOR USE		
			TOTAL REGISTERED FEES FOR THIS COMMERCIAL VEHICLE OR TRAILER		
NAMES OF OWNERS AND MAILING ADDRESS			FEES		
			REGISTRATION 82.50		
			TITLE 75.00		
			SPECIAL PLATES 0.00		
			SALES TAX 0.00		
			157.50		



Automated Speed Enforcement in Work & School Zones

Fair Share Return on Investment

New Impact Report on Funding At Work



Improving Roads, Bridges and Rail

-  Hundreds of long-overdue road and bridge upgrades underway
-  Historic levels of funding for local roads and bridges
-  Eliminated over **220** MBTA slow zones
-  **35,000** MBTA riders saved an average of **\$228** per year on fares

\$6 billion
invested in transportation and education as of Dec 2025

35,000
riders enrolled in the MBTA Income Eligible Reduced Fares Program

\$180M (90%)
boost to Chapter 90 in FY26

\$228
average annual fare savings for enrolled MBTA riders

20%
increase in RTA ridership from FY24 to FY25



“Getting Stuff Done” Summit



Lt. Governor Driscoll hosted municipal leaders from across the Commonwealth

Discussed state-local partnership and collaboration opportunities between the state and municipalities

Advancing Municipal Planning & Support

Local Early and Actionable Planning (LEAP) Grants



Washington Avenue, Chelsea



Main Street at Oak Street, Dunstable

\$1M in Total Funding

- Provides technical assistance and engineering/design support to advance municipal priority transportation projects
- 21 cities and towns statewide receiving support in first round
- Designed to support rural and underserved communities

Safe Streets and Roads for All Grants

\$13.5M awarded by USDOT



Route 9, Ware

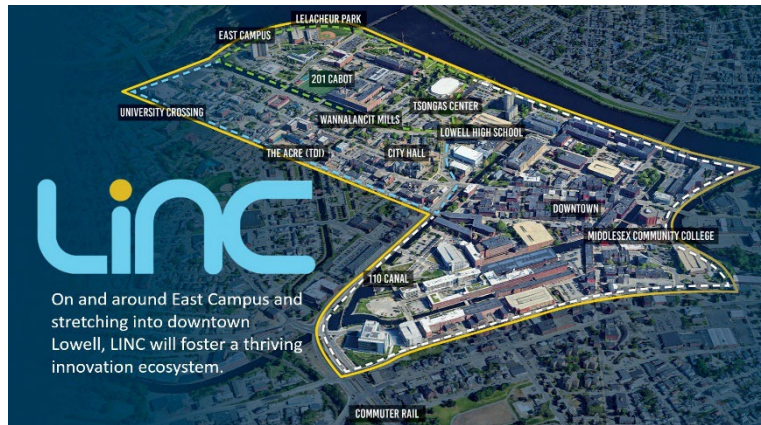
\$160K for supplement planning activities

- **Awards to:**
 - Municipalities
 - Counties
 - Regional planning & government organizations
 - MBTA
- **Supports** safety planning and demonstration projects
- **14 recipients** across the Commonwealth
- **MassDOT** supports applicants through grant process and is administering \$3.3 million in match funding secured through the Massachusetts Federal Funds & Infrastructure Office Match Fund

Special Commission on Micromobility



Unlocking Economic Growth



UMASS Lowell

Lowell Innovation Network Corridor

- \$3.7 billion in new economic activity
- 500 new housing units
- 2,000 permanent jobs
- Served by transportation improvements via: expanded LRTA transit service, bridge preservation projects, proximity to Lowell Commuter Rail Station



Southcoast Rail

- Opportunities for Transit Oriented Development
- Spurring local growth, demand for housing
- Connections to employment centers and cultural institutions



Davol Street

Fall River/Route 79

- 20+ acres available for economic and housing development, once in a lifetime development opportunity
- Close proximity to Fall River Commuter Rail

DBIA New England Annual Awards



Jonathan Gulliver
President's Choice Award
Design-Build Institute of America's New England Chapter

Leadership Appointment



Samantha Silverberg
Undersecretary of Transportation Policy

MA 250 Plate – Low Plate Lottery

Colleen Ogilvie, Registrar of Motor Vehicles

MA 250 Plate – Low Plate Lottery



MA 250 Plate

- Already the most popular specialty plate ever
- Plate numbers 1-999 and 1776 will be made available in the lottery
- To be eligible for the drawing, applicants **must:**
 - apply by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 17, 2026
 - have an active MA registration



 **Apply here**

Thank You

