Transportation Secretary and CEO Monica Tibbits-Nutt's Report to the Board

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#### **Governor's Budget Update**

## FOR OUR COMMUNITIES

Increased local aid to municipalities by \$8.7 billion.

Historic funding for roads and bridges with funding specifically dedicated to rural communities.

Bolstering resources to immediately support cities and towns when natural disasters strike.

Supporting necessary improvements to address the effects of climate change.



MassDOT

- \$588M for MassDOT operations
- \$56M safety, service and sustainability
- \$24M for rural and regional projects

MBTA:

- \$314M in direct operating support
- \$45M for Low Income Fare Relief

**RTAs**:

- \$75M in Fair Share funds
- \$15M for RTA fare equity programs
- \$4M for grants to expand mobility options



#### **Transportation Funding Task Force**



- Existing sources of funding
- Sustainable pricing mechanisms



#### Municipal Empowerment Act, Chapter 90, Grants Portal



Municipal Empowerment Act



Chapter 90



#### **Staff Appointments**



Gus Bickford Chief of Intergovernmental Affairs



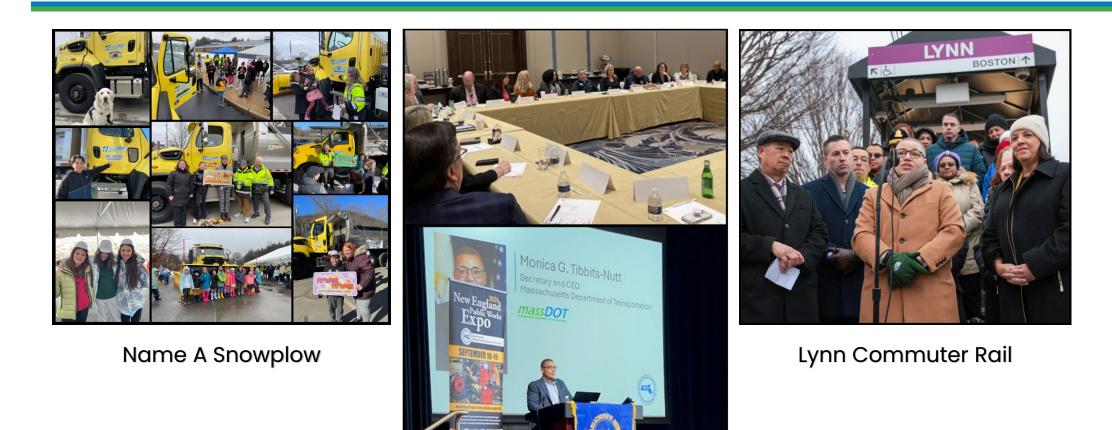
Amelia Aubourg Chief Communications Officer



Andy Koziol West-East Rail Director



### **Community Events**

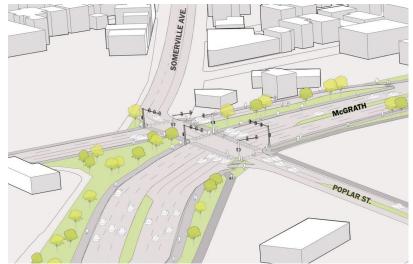




AIM Roundtable Springfield & Mass Highway Winter Meeting

#### **Cape Cod grant and RAISE grant applications**





#### • MEGA Program: \$371,870,542 total

- \$190M FY24
- \$90.7M FY25
- \$90.7M FY26

- RAISE Grant Application Grounding McGrath
  - Estimated project cost \$160M
  - \$25M Application submitted
  - Project proposed in stages to minimize inconvenience and balance funding commitment



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