

Certification of the Boston Region MPO Pursuant to 310 CMR 60.05: Global Warming Solutions Act Requirements for the Transportation Sector and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation

This will certify that the Transportation Improvement Program and Air Quality Conformity Determination for the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is in compliance with all applicable requirements in the State Regulation 310 CMR 60.05: Global Warming Solutions Act Requirements for the Transportation Sector and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation. The regulation requires MPO to:

- 1. 310 CMR 60.05, 3(b)(1)(a): Evaluate and track the GHG emissions and impacts of RTPs and TIPs;
- 2. 310 CMR 60.05, 3(b)(1)(b): In consultation with MassDOT, develop and utilize procedures to prioritize and select projects in RTPs, TIPs, and STIPs based on factors that include GHG emissions and impacts;
- 3. 310 CMR 60.05, 3(b)(1)(c): Quantify net GHG emissions and impacts resulting from the projects in RTPs and TIPs and have made efforts to minimize GHG emissions and impacts;
- 4. 310 CMR 60.05, 3(b)(1)(d): Determine in consultation with the RPA that the appropriate planning assumptions used for GHG emissions modeling are consistent with local land use policies, or that local authorities have made documented and credible commitments to establishing such consistency;
- 5. 310 CMR 60.05, 4(a)(2)(a): Develop RTPs and TIPs;
- 6. 310 CMR 60.05, 4(a)(2)(b): Ensure that RPAs are using appropriate planning assumptions;
- 7. 310 CMR 60.05, 4(a)(2)(c): Perform regional GHG emissions analysis of RTPs and TIPs;
- 8. 310 CMR 60.05, 4(a)(2)(d): Calculate GHG emissions for RTPs and TIPs;
- 9. 310 CMR 60.05, 4(a)(2)(e): Develop public consultation procedures for GHG reporting and related GWSA requirements consistent with current and approved regional public participation plans;
- 10. 310 CMR 60.05, 4(c): Prior to making final endorsements on the RTPs, TIPs, STIPs, and projects included in these plans, MassDOT and the MPOs shall include the GHG Assessment and information on related GWSA activities in RTPs, TIPs, and STIPs and provide an opportunity for public review and comment on the RTPs, TIPs, and STIPs.
- 11. 310 CMR 60.05, 6(a): After a final GHG assessment has been made by MassDOT and the MPOs, MassDOT and the MPOs shall submit MPO-endorsed RTPs, TIPs or projects within 30 days of endorsement to the Department for review of the GHG assessment.

February 18, 2016

Stephanie Pollack, Secretary and Chief Executive Officer Massachusetts Department of Transportation Chair, Boston Region MPO

The signatures of the other MPO members may be found on page 2.

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Advisory Board to the MBTA	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority	Massachusetts Port Authority
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