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Subject:	Green Line Extension – Please enforce the SIP air quality and Transportation Conformity Measures in the Boston MPO 2012 – 2015 TIP and LRTP. We need this long promised and oft delayed project NOW!
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I am writing to protest the State's recent efforts to further delay the Green Line extension (GLX).
As such, I am urging federal and state government entities to enforce the legal and environmental obligations (federal Transportation Conformity Measures and SIP air quality) of the project. The Green Line extension is a legal obligation under the Clean Air Act. Full funding of the project and any interim replacements must be identified in the Boston MPO 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and in the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).

Delaying GLX project also delays the Community Path, since the two projects need to be designed and built together, because they need to share right-of-way, infrastructure, and heavy construction. Full funding of the the Community Path should also be programmed in the 2012-2015 TIP and LRTP along with the GLX. The GLX and Community Path are wonderful sustainable transportation projects that will help help more people get around with fewer car trips, curb greenhouse gases, and provide needed regional economic opportunities.

On a more personal note, we, like many other homeowners in the area bought our properties with the green line extension and path projects in mind. Our property values and future finances are jeopardized by this delay. How are citizens to plan their lives and businesses with such uncertainty surrounding this project and it's completion? Many people in our neighborhood have all but given up faith that their government will fulfill it's promises and complete an infrastructure project that meets OUR vision and needs. We need alternatives to congestion causing car-centric projects like the big dig for local environmentally conscious citizens. Please make good on your promises and make this project a reality as soon as posible.

Sincerely,

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