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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 efforts to further delay the Green Line extension (GLX) and support full funding of the Community Path in the 2012-2015 TIP and LRTP along with the GLX.

I live in the South End and witnessed what the Southwest corridor park has done for the livability of the area. The economic, social, transportation and health benefits are astounding and it is precisely because it was built to support and be used by everyone in the community and traveling through it. It is not only useful but an asset. These opportunities don't come along often. The extension would also be a game changer for getting to and from the South End to Somerville/medford/Arlington.

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. 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).

Bottom line? People that can't, or choose not to, drive daily should not be treated as second class citizens. All car culture is not making anyone happy. And the law has said it needs to change.

Sincerely,

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