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**RE: UVLSRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) Prioritization of Transportation Alternatives Program Applications**

Dear Mr. Jameson:

Please be advised that the UVLSRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) met on October 23, 2018 to review and prioritize five applications for the Transportation Alternatives Programs funding. The five applications prioritized were:

City of Lebanon – Application to add pedestrian facilities along US Route 4 on the approximately 0.5 miles Miracle Mile segment between Poverty Land and Seminary Hill. The application includes a sidewalk, 2 crosswalks and 2 transit stop improvements. Pedestrian facilities will link West Lebanon to a large retail and employment centers on the Miracle Mile and access to transit stops.

City of Claremont – Application to repair and add sidewalks along Main Street from Elm Street to the Citizen Street Bridge to link to existing network in the City Center. This project is a connection between two current NHDOT projects- Main Street Reconstruction (NHDOT 23677) and North and Main Streets (NHDOT 13248).

Town of Enfield – Application to upgrade sidewalks along US Route 4 the west end of Baltic Street to Main Street (750 feet), along Main Street from US Route 4 to Town Hall (575 feet), and add a sidewalk along east side of Maple Street from US Route 4 to the Post Office.

Town of Sunapee – Application for safety improvements on Route 11 from Main Street north 1,400 feet. Application includes sidewalks, crosswalks, traffic calming techniques, and aesthetic improvements.

Town of Canaan – Application to replace the upper Northern Rail Trail trestle bridge over the Indian River. The application also includes safety railings on the bridge.

Using our regional project scoring system, the TAC scored and unanimously prioritized the projects as detailed below:

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Regional Score</b>
1	City of Lebanon – Miracle Miles Pedestrian Improvements	<b>6.13</b>
2	City of Claremont – Main Street Sidewalks	<b>5.58</b>
3	Town of Enfield – Downtown Sidewalks	<b>5.50</b>
4	Town of Sunapee – Route 11 Pedestrian Improvements	<b>3.46</b>
5	Town of Canaan – Northern Rail Trail Trestle	<b>3.14</b>

The TAC was impressed with the five local applications and noted that all five local projects merit Transportation Alternatives Program funding. The TAC offers the following comments and observations related to each application:

City of Lebanon:

The TAC commended the City of Lebanon for developing an application that promotes community cohesion by providing pedestrian links between West Lebanon neighborhoods to employment centers, retail and entertainment destinations, health facilities, and local transit connections with Advance Transit. The TAC was impressed with the City of Lebanon’s thought out plan for safety of pedestrians to include crosswalks and transit stops that as this area develops.

City of Claremont:

The TAC was impressed by the City of Claremont’s plan to connect neighborhoods to the City Center, retail, and employment destinations. The TAC commends the City of Claremont for having a well thought-out plan to connect current NHDOT projects to the proposed project in order to extend the pedestrian network.

Town of Enfield:

The TAC was impressed by the Town of Enfield’s plan to add safe pedestrian facilities around the intersection of US Route 4, Main Street, and Maple Street as development increases in this area. The TAC commends the Town of Enfield for considering safety of pedestrians traveling along these busy streets to school, Town offices, parks, retail, post office, and Advance Transit bus stop.

Town of Sunapee:

The TAC was impressed by the Town of Sunapee’s long-term planning of the Route 11 project to calm traffic and create a safe pedestrian environment. The TAC commends the Town of Sunapee for a well thought-out plan that includes crosswalks, sidewalks, traffic calming techniques, and aesthetics.

Town of Canaan:

The TAC was impressed by the studies and planning done to support the replacement of the trestle bridge on the Northern Rail Trail over the Indian River. The TAC commends the Town of Canaan for considering the importance of keeping the connection of the Northern Rail Trail for pedestrian and bicycle safety for commuting and recreation.

The TAC thanks NHDOT for this opportunity to review and prioritize Transportation Alternatives Program project applications in the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee region. Please feel free to contact me at (603) 448-1680 or email me at [mbutts@uvlsrc.org](mailto:mbutts@uvlsrc.org) with any questions you have.

Respectfully Submitted,

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