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Notice of Comment Period and Public Hearing Rockingham Planning Commission

The Rockingham Planning Commission invites public comment on the updated Locally Coordinated Public Transit/Human Services Transportation Plan for the Greater Derry-Salem Region of New Hampshire.

The Greater Derry-Salem study area for the Plan includes ten communities in western Rockingham County: Atkinson, Chester, Danville, Derry, Hampstead, Londonderry, Plaistow, Salem, Sandown and Windham. The Plan has been developed by the Rockingham Planning Commission (RPC) and Southern NH Planning Commission (SNHPC) in response to federal requirements in the 2005 Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act -- A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). SAFETEA-LU established a federal mandate for regional public transit and human service transportation coordination planning. The law requires that regional plans for coordinating public transit and human service transportation be in place before transportation service providers may access funding under several programs administered by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), targeting mobility for senior citizens, individuals with disabilities, and other transportation dependent citizens.

The current Plan for the region was adopted in 2007. The new plan has been developed over the last 20 months by a regional advisory committee including representatives from municipalities; public, private non-profit and private for-profit transportation providers; health and human service agencies that purchase transportation, State agencies, the two regional planning commissions, and members of the public.

A 30-day public comment period on the Plan begins Monday, June 13th, 2011 and concludes on **Wednesday, July 13th, 2011. A public hearing on the proposed amendments will be held July 13th, 2011** at the Searles School, located at 3 Chapel Road in Windham, beginning at 7:00pm. The Planning Commission will meet after the public hearing to act on the document.

Copies of the Locally Coordinated Public Transit/Human Services Transportation Plan will be available at the offices of the Rockingham Planning Commission, on the internet at <http://www.rpc-nh.org>, and will be sent to interested parties by request. Written comments will also be accepted through July 13th, 2011 and may be addressed to:

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Email: email@rpc-nh.org with "Transit Coordination Plan" in the subject line

For more information please contact Scott Bogle at Rockingham Planning Commission at (603) 778-0885.