

PACTS

Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation Committee

**PACTS
Transit Committee
Meeting Notice**

**Thursday, July 10, 2008, 9:30 a.m.
Saco City Hall, 300 Main Street
Agenda**

- 1. Call to order**
- 2. Approval of Minutes from the last two meetings (attached)**
- 3. Discuss presentation topics/timing**
- 4. Status Reports (attached) – 30 min.**
- 5. Review Timeline/Work Plan (attached) – 5 min.**
- 6. JARC TIP Amendment – 5 min.**
- 7. Annual Evaluation (draft attached) – 10 min.**
- 8. PACTS Transit Study Implementation Status Reports – 60 min.**
 - a. Regional Map and Timetable**
 - b. Regional Route Study**
 - c. Transit Planning in Comprehensive Planning Process**
 - d. Regional Pass System**
 - e. Other – in order of priority**
- 9. Information Sharing/Round Table Discussion/Check-In/What's Up**
- 10. Other Business**
- 11. Next Meeting Date (August 14 @ 9:30 a.m., at GPCOG), Agenda**
- 12. Adjourn**

Attachments: June 12 PTC minutes, Status Reports, Timeline/Work Plan, PACTS Transit ITS Meeting

PACTS Transit Committee Minutes
June 12, 2008
9:30 a.m. at GPCOG

Members Present: Sara Behr, MaineDOT; Ed Clifford, ShuttleBus/ZOOM; Connie Garber, YCCAC; David Redlefsen, METRO; Conrad Welzel, MTA

Members Absent: John Bubier, Biddeford; Catherine Debo, CBITD; Tom Gorrill, Gorrill-Palmer; Tom Meyers, SPBS; Patricia Quinn, NNEPRA; RTP

Staff and Guests: Maddy Adams, GPCOG; Susan Davis, MNGRR; Kevin Donoghue, Portland; Carl Eppich, PACTS; Art Handman; Steve Linnell, GPCOG; Tom Reinauer, SMRPC; Robert Wagner; David Willauer

2. **Call to Order.** Connie Garber, Vice-Chair, opened the meeting but a quorum was not present. She mentioned that Tom Meyers is out of state, Jon McNulty has retired, and Chuck Baker had another commitment. We need to encourage a representative from NNEPRA to attend these meetings. Since Ed Clifford will be the new Chair of the Transit Committee, Connie suggested that he check in with the providers to ask that they send a representative to the meeting if they cannot attend. Jack DeBarandinis is the Acting Executive Director at RTP.
3. **Approval of minutes of May 8, 2008 meeting.** No comments were made regarding the minutes and no action was taken due to the lack of a quorum. This item will appear on next month's agenda.
4. **Debrief of Joint Meeting with Planning Committee.** David Redlefsen mentioned that he has been working with Maine Medical Center (Steve Hobart) looking at fixed route service. The number of employees that they have to park is substantial. They have a number of garages and satellite parking lots in Buxton, Gorham, Lakes Region, etc. People are coming from all of these areas. These people would provide a base ridership for a bus service. They would like to do a case study of how they prepare for TDM and what the thought process is for transit service. This one case study would be a good joint project for the PTC and the Planning Committee.

Connie said she felt good about the conversation that occurred between the PTC and the Planning Committee. Bringing all the different perspectives together is a good thing and sharing of information is always helpful. Providing information/education to the general public is very important. It was suggested that it would be beneficial to have Carey Kish, GoMaine Coordinator, attend PTC meetings to share transportation management opportunities. There is a benefit to having that representation as well as the Bike Coalition of Maine and perhaps Portland Trails. Conrad added that there were a lot of different pieces that were being brought together today. We should strike while the iron is hot. It is important for the PTC and Planning Committee to be working together. Conrad spoke of the high cost of park and ride lots and mentioned how the Turnpike Authority worked with Cabella's in Scarborough to get some park and ride spaces from them.

Steve Linnell mentioned that he will be chairing the Passenger Transportation Sub-Committee of the Governor's Working Group on the High Cost of Transportation Fuels within the Governor's Pre-Emergency Energy Task Force. The latter task force has been in existence for a year. The Governor is asking the group to come back in 30 days with recommendations. Steve will be meeting weekly with this new group and he would appreciate input from the PTC. They will be looking at short-term, mid-term and long-term planning for next winter. Connie suggested that Steve send a brief e-mail to the PTC with a timeframe as to when he would like to receive comments to share with the

Passenger Transportation Subcommittee. This should probably be added as a regular agenda item to our meetings.

5. **Status Reports.** Transit ITS projects will be discussed at the next meeting, due to the lack of a quorum. Sara mentioned that she may need to do one PIN per provider; this will be discussed next month.

The DVD of Charlie Stephens' presentation at the GPCOG Energy Sustainability Forum is now available. Connie suggested that the DVD be presented to the PTC. The next meeting is scheduled for July 10th in Saco. We'll check to see if we can watch the DVD presentation then. It was suggested that the meeting begin an hour early (at 8:30) to allow time to view the DVD. Steve mentioned that the GPCOG Executive Committee has formed three task forces focusing on environment, economy and community and they will be developing some principles of sustainability. Steve is staffing the Environment Task Force. Two more forums will be held over the next year; the next forum will focus on the economy.

Carl mentioned that we need to educate the elected officials in the towns about transportation and transit. Perhaps we should hold Transportation 101 sessions and invite elected officials as well as the GPCOG Executive Committee task force members to attend. Kevin noted that elected officials don't get paid so they may not attend another meeting unless it is something that they are passionate about.

PACTS High Priority Projects telephone survey. Carl provided an update on the survey. Carl also reported on the recent HPP public hearings. Only one public participant attended the meeting in Saco; there were seven or eight people from the public in attendance at the Yarmouth meeting; and the Westbrook meeting drew 10, including two candidates for State Senate.

Regarding the Regional Traffic Signal Study, if you have any insight on this or have any ideas about what should be included in the scope, please let Carl know. There was not much interest in holding a meeting on the Turnpike toll equity study. Conrad provided a brief update to the Committee. The toll rate and structure of the toll rates were looked at. The committee members included regional people, the tourism industry, Charlie Colgan, an attorney, a Chamber person from York – there were lots of different interests represented. It turned pretty parochial. Four or five meetings were spent educating the group on why the structure is there and how it came about. People realized that it was a convoluted bag of prices but it wasn't that bad after all. A Citizens Advisory Group thought they should provide guiding principles regarding any future rate increase. The MTA has said that it would step back and see if the present location will meet the needs of the MTA including engineering criteria, permitting, and the future needs of the travelers. Connie noted that the impact of the toll structure on the Turnpike has a big impact on public transportation; it might be a good piece for the PTC to look at. She said if there is an Executive Summary of the study the PTC should probably take a look at it. Tom R. said that the guiding principles would be helpful. Regarding the MTA Gorham Connector Study – they need to finish putting together the scope for this study. It will probably be an alternatives analysis to start.

6. **Review Timeline/Work Plan.** No changes.
7. **JARC TIP Amendment.** David Willauer provided a handout regarding TIP amendments. These amendments will get the money going. The PACTS Executive Committee is scheduled to meet on July 1st. They can approve this item to get the 30-day public process rolling. Sara asked about the local match for the Lakes Region project. David responded that we don't know yet about the local match but will probably know by the end of the month. David Redlefsen asked if an employer like MMC could be the local match on behalf of the local municipality. It is possible that a private institution could provide the match and since MMC employees would be traveling to the Lakes

Region area it would probably work. However, capital is the issue. We would need to ask FTA about this.

The Transit Committee members in attendance reached consensus on the amendments. The Policy Committee or the Executive Committee will be the Committee that will actually vote on this item.

8. PACTS Transit Study Implementation Status Reports. Reports will be moved to the next meeting.

Regarding ITS, Sue Moreau was concerned (after the June 5th meeting) that the providers didn't know how many units they would be needing. If there are too many people on one contract, it could be an issue. She felt that it might be easier for each provider to apply for their own ITS. David W. reviewed the numbers. RTP, SPBS, METRO and COG were all going to be under one PIN but it may be too confusing. David said that we are ready to scope the projects.

Next steps:

- Implementation Paper with action items and milestones, including TIP amendment.
- Concept Paper with functional requirements and scopes for RFP.
- Secure consultant to develop RFP.

Sara explained that each provider needs to determine what their needs are with the federal and local numbers attached. Ed suggested putting all the money back on the table and dividing the money up among the providers. A partnership has been formed with Bridgewater – there is a \$9 fee for the phones plus an additional monthly fee for having the Bridgewater technical assistance available.

9. Information Sharing

- Steve L – August 11th is the start of the Transcontinental Hydrogen coast-to-coast vehicle trek. Steve will provide more details as the date draws closer.
- Susan – their building is for sale and one of the buyers may be interested in doing something with transit.
- Ed – 94% increase in ridership from May 07 to May 08.

10. Other Business. None.

11. Next meeting date. July 10th at 8:30 a.m. at Saco City Hall.

12. Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 12:20.

Agenda Item #4

Status Reports (compiled by David Willauer and John Duncan)

GPCOG has prepared DVD's of Charlie Stephens's presentation, *Toward a Sustainable Energy Future*. See Steve Linnell for more information.

GPCOG Executive Committee is developing three sub-committees to pursue sustainability initiatives on Community, Economy and Environment. There will be a retreat over the summer followed by two more forums next year.

PACTS has started a \$20,000 High Priority Projects telephone survey this summer. See Carl Eppich for details.

MaineDOT has hired a new Assistant Director of the Bureau of Planning: Peggy Duval.

Steve Linnell has been working on the Governor's Pre-Emergency Energy Task Force, chairing the Passenger Transportation Sub-Committee. Recommendations will be presented to the Governor on July 15.

A Lakes Region Transit Service Update memo is included in this packet for review. Contact David Willauer with questions and comments.

A PACTS Transit ITS Implementation Plan update is included in this packet for review. Contact David Willauer with questions and comments.

The PACTS Executive Committee convened its first meeting on July 1, 2008. Key items included the following:

- RTP/METRO merger letter
- Bike/ped 2010/2011 candidates for further scoping this summer
- Increase planning budget for enhanced project scoping
- Draft priority list for candidates for MaineDOT's Challenge Fund
- Approved transit TIP amendment
- Tell John Duncan if you want to receive Executive Committee Meeting Packets

The Technical Committee recently:

- Elected Jennie Franceschi (Biddeford) and Dan Jellis (Yarmouth) as the incoming Chair and Vice Chair.
- Heard a presentation on our upcoming traffic signal study. See Carl Eppich.
- Discussed MaineDOT's MPO/Service Center Challenge Fund, and the PACTS role in setting priorities for proposals.

The Policy Committee

- Adopted a list of intersection proposals for further consideration for funding in the 2010/2011 biennium.
- Will not meet in July or August.

Commute Another Way Week May 12-16, 2008

- A record 8,155 commuters registered for Commute Another Way Week this year to "Take the Commuter Challenge" and "Beat high gas prices!"
- Of these, 25% bicycled, 30% carpoled, 12% walked, 8% rode transit, 4% vanpoled, 8% tried other modes, and 2% telecommuted.



June 30, 2008

To: Lakes Region Municipal Officials

From: David Willauer GPCOG Planning Director

Subject: Lakes Region Transit Service Update

Overview

This memo is to brief you on the status of the proposed Lakes Region Transit Service. The impact of escalating fuel prices on the original operating budget together with insufficient municipal support combine to make it difficult to implement the service at this time.

Increased Operating Costs

We estimated \$172,400 in annual operating costs based on \$75/hour. With today's fuel prices, we estimate that \$90/hour is more realistic, raising the overall annual cost to \$205,200.

Municipal Support

At Town Meetings this month, Bridgton, Gray, Harrison and Naples voters approved their municipal transit service allocations. The Windham Economic Development Corporation agreed to Windham's contribution. This has been a difficult year for municipalities. Table 1 below describes the status of annual municipal contributions required to match federal funds.

**Table 1:
Proposed Annual Municipal Contributions for Lakes Region Transit Service***

Municipality	Letter of Support	Budget Status	Proposed Amount	Actual Amount
Bridgton	Yes	passed	\$4,371	\$ 4,371
Casco	no	not in budget	\$3,105	\$ -
Denmark	Yes	not in budget	\$304	\$ -
Gray	No	In budget	\$6,105	\$ 6,105
Falmouth	Yes	not in budget	\$9,228	\$ -
Harrison	Yes	passed	\$2,072	\$ 2,072
Naples	Yes	passed	\$2,931	\$ 2,931
New Gloucester	No	not in budget	\$1,453	\$ -
Raymond	Yes	not in budget	\$3,848	\$ -
Sebago	No	not in budget	\$434	\$ -
Standish	No	not in budget	\$2,809	\$ -
Windham	No	in WEDC budget	\$13,340	\$ 13,340
Total 12 Towns		passed	\$50,000	\$ 28,819

*** Notes:**

Methodology: Eight towns along the route contribute \$45,000 based on US Census 2000 Population; Four towns not along the route contribute \$5,000 based on population. The total for 12 towns is \$50,000.

PACTS Transit ITS Implementation Plan

3 July 2008

Overview

This paper describes proposed action steps to implement PACTS Transit ITS Initiatives by provider.

Abbreviations

AVL	Automatic Vehicle Location	MDT	Mobile Data Terminals
BSC	Bridgewater State College	TIP	Transportation Improvement Program
ITS	Intelligent Transportation Systems	511	Traveler Information Web Site & Phone
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MODES System	MaineDOT Web-base Transit Program	TIDS	Transportation Information Display
STP	Surface Transportation Program		

Background

PACTS Transit Providers have submitted numerous Transit ITS Applications over three biennia to improve transit technology. MaineDOT has also been developing ITS Transit Applications to benefit transit providers and the public. Benefits of ITS include improved operations, improved customer service, and increased coordination of services. Earlier this year, transit providers met several times to determine if it was feasible to combine all the proposed PACTS STP Set-aside proposals into one ITS Project and one PIN. MaineDOT has recommended the projects stay separate for purposes of tracking and refined scopes of work. This paper is organized into the following three sections:

- A. Bridgewater State College (BSC) AVL Pilot
- B. MaineDOT 511 “MODES” project
- C. ITS Elements by Provider and allocation of STP funds

A. Bridgewater State College (BSC) AVL Pilot program

MaineDOT is taking the lead on BSC AVL Pilot Program. Briefly, this program involves the use of cell phones on board transit vehicles to provide automatic vehicle location (AVL) information to the public on a public web site. This is a low-cost AVL program that requires minimal start-up hardware but requires a monthly operating cost for implementation. SPBS and Shuttlebus may be first to implement this program. YCCAC will continue with their existing AVL program which was modeled after the Bridgewater System.

Action

Interested Providers should coordinate with Sue Moreau and contract with BSC for the regional set up fee and cell phones. MaineDOT has agreed to reimburse providers for the regional set up fee. This was determined to be the most expedient way to proceed (June 5, 2008 ITS Meeting).

B. MaineDOT 511 “MODES” Program

MaineDOT is under contract with Castlerock to implement a MODES module on the 511 Web Site. Briefly, this program is a web-based software system displaying all Maine Transit Systems on the state interactive web site. The site allows viewers to also see road weather information, traffic delays, construction projects and other information. So far, METRO and the Bangor Area

Transit (BAT) have been test providers for the MODES module, which displays transit route data with estimations of where transit vehicles and vessels *should be* at a particular time. The system is being developed to be compatible with future AVL programs by provider so real-time information can be displayed in the future. As part of this project, MaineDOT is also contracting with Google for the use of Google Maps as the basis for displaying roadway systems, transit routes and traffic information. There are no fees at this time for providers to participate in MODES.

Action

Work with MaineDOT to determine when your agency and/or routes will be displayed on MODES.

C. ITS Elements by Provider & Allocation of STP Funds

The following table summarizes other ITS needs by provider.

**Table 1:
ITS Transit Elements by Provider**

CBITD	GPCOG	METRO	RTP	ShuttleBus	SPBS
Fare media	TIDS/FIDS	Radio AVL	MDTs	AVL	Radio AVL
Laptops		Data	Data	Data	Data
Data Retrieval		Retrieval	Retrieval	Retrieval	Retrieval

NNEPRA will be participating in BSC, MODES and digital station signage to show AVL. **YCCAC** is already implementing AVL, and may also participate in BSC & MODES.

While PACTS providers will be able to implement cell-based AVL through the Bridgewater State Pilot program, most providers have also expressed interest in implementing a *radio-based* AVL system over the long term to reduce monthly operating costs. There is also interest in data retrieval, which, in the BSC pilot program, will be limited.

Table 2, below, details the proposed ITS STP applications by provider for ITS Transit initiatives. This table represents a compilation of three biennia of transit applications: 06/07, 08/09 and 10/11¹. During several ITS meetings between providers, there was interest in combining these applications into one ITS Transit Application. However, MaineDOT staff recommended the applications and PINs be kept separate (email from MaineDOT on 6/19/08).

¹ CBITD and GPCOG applications were reallocated from 10/11 to 08/09 in February 2008.

**Table 2:
PACTS Transit STP Set-Aside Funds by Provider**

Applicant	Pin #	Description	FY	Source	Local	Federal	Total
CBITD	TBD	AVL, Fare Media	08-09	STP	\$ 30,000	\$120,000	\$ 150,000
GPCOG	14920	TIDS	08-09	STP	\$ 15,200	\$ 60,800	\$ 76,000
METRO	14922	Comms and AVL	06-07	STP	\$ 28,744	\$114,974	\$ 143,718
RTP	13100	MDTs, AVL	06-07	CMAQ	\$ 57,199	\$133,465	\$ 190,664
SPBS	14124	AVL System	06-07	STP	\$ 4,760	\$ 19,040	\$ 23,800
Total					\$ 135,903	\$ 448,279	\$ 584,182

4. CBITD

CBITD is proposing automatic vehicle location (AVL), fare media, laptops on ferries to serve as the MDT and modem, and electronic signs at the island transit stops. The agency is proposing a dedicated sequel server, and the ability to transmit voice and data between vessels and dispatch.

Action:

CBITD submits STP Transfer Application to MaineDOT requesting \$150,000 be transferred from FHWA to FTA funds. Provide documentation for funding the \$30,000 local match. Work with GPCOG to refine the scope.

5. GPCOG

GPCOG is proposing additional TIDS screens at transportation terminals and hotels.

Action

GPCOG submits STP Transfer Application to MaineDOT requesting \$76,000 from FHWA to FTA funds. Provide documentation for funding the \$15,200 local match. Work with transit providers on proposed TIDS locations and incorporate AVL data from BSC when it becomes available.

6. METRO

METRO is serving as application for a joint project between multiple providers to implement radio-based AVL with the ability to transmit voice and data from vehicles to dispatch. The Cities of Portland and South Portland currently operate independent AVL systems for police and, in some cases, fire vehicles. The Portland system is cell-based AVL; the South Portland system is radio-based AVL. The two cities are in discussions regarding the expansion of Portland’s 800 MHz radio system to include South Portland. RTP is implementing AVL using MDT. The level of participation from Shuttlebus has not been determined to date. These factors will need to be considered to further refine the scope of work for this project.

Action

METRO submits STP Transfer Application to MaineDOT requesting \$143,718 from FHWA to FTA funds. Provide documentation for funding the \$28,744 local match by provider. Determine how many providers will be participating (SPBS, RTP, Shuttlebus, YCCAC, etc). Meet with key personnel from participating cities (public safety, transit, information technology, etc) to

determine which system would be compatible with existing ITS hardware and software. Refine scope of work based on the number of providers and level of compatibility.

7. RTP

RTP is proposing to equip 30 vehicles with Mobile Data Terminals (MDTs) with the ability to transmit data to and from dispatch using their existing Computer-Aided Dispatch Software developed by StrataGEN (now Digital Dispatch). Because of the current investment in proprietary software, RTP will need to work with DD to procure compatible MDT units and expand the capacity of their existing sequel server for additional data storage.

Action

RTP submits STP Transfer Application to MaineDOT requesting \$190,664 from FHWA to FTA funds. Provide documentation for funding the \$57,199 local match. Develop scope of work with DD and negotiate a revised proposal based on current needs.

8. South Portland Bus Service

SPBS has proposed to combine the proposed AVL Project with the METRO AVL Comms project.

Action

SPBS submits STP Transfer Application to MaineDOT requesting \$23,800 from FHWA to FTA funds. Work with METRO and other providers to refine scope. See #6, above.

Agenda Item #5

Draft Timeline/Work Plan for the PACTS Transit Committee

DRAFT 7/7/2008

Fiscal Year 2008:

<i>July 2007</i>	Continue development of Allocation Formulas for 5307 and STIC, '08/'09 Complete Regional Transit Map Participate in PACTS High Priority Projects list development
<i>August</i>	<i>Provide input to PACTS Process Review</i>
<i>September</i>	<i>Participate in PACTS TIP Process Review, including JARC</i>
<i>October</i>	Adopt an Allocation Formula for 5307 and STIC
<i>November</i>	Public comment period for Section 5303 and 5307 funds, '08/'09 (pending release of Federal Register notice) Develop Study Proposals for 5303 and 5307 Planning funds
<i>December</i>	Provider information (ridership, miles, etc.) due (move to November)

<i>January 2008</i>	Submit recommendation to Policy Committee for FTA Section 5307 funds
<i>February</i>	<i>Submit STP proposals to staff for ratings</i> Public Comment Period... Update TIP
<i>March</i>	FTA Budget announced
<i>April</i>	Appoint Nominating Committee for new Officers Adopt STP proposals for submission to Policy Committee
May	
<i>June</i>	Annual evaluation of Committee (year 4) Elect New Committee Officers JARC TIP Amendment
<u>Fiscal Year 2009:</u>	
<i>July 2008</i>	Review criteria for submitting proposals for 2010/2011 STP Capital
<i>August</i>	
<i>September</i>	
<i>October</i>	
<i>November</i>	Regional Transit Study, Annual Report FTA Budget announced (tentative)
<i>December</i>	Provider information (ridership, miles, etc.) due
<i>January 2009</i>	Operators submit requests for planning functions and funding
<i>February</i>	Draft Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) submitted and first review
<i>March</i>	Review UPWP
<i>April</i>	Complete recommendations to Policy Committee re: UPWP
<i>May</i>	
<i>June 2009</i>	Annual evaluation of Committee (year 5)

Other tasks:

- Execute the Implementation Schedule for the ***Regional Transit Coordination Study***.
- Provide assistance and coordination for implementing ***Destination Tomorrow*** and associated studies and plans
- Determine level of involvement of the Committee wishes to have in ongoing studies such as:
 - Peninsula Transit Study
 - Passenger Rail to Brunswick
 - Transit Oriented Zoning

- Maine Narrow Gauge RR Extension Study
- Other future studies
- Begin orientation of what it will mean to be a part of a Transportation Management Area
- Respond to Policy Committee requests for action, information or recommendations as needed

Glossary of Terms

BOP	Biennial Operations Plan (MDOT)
BTIP	Biennial Transportation Improvement Program (MDOT)
CMAQ	Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program (Federal Funds)
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
ISTEA	Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act
ITS	Intelligent Transportation Systems
JARC	Job Access & Reverse Commute
MDOT	Maine Department of Transportation
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization (PACTS, KACTS, ATRC, BACTS)
NNEPRA	Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority (Downeaster, contracts with Amtrak)
OPT	Office of Passenger Transportation (MDOT)
PACTS	Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation Study (Portland Area MPO)
SAFETEA-LU	Safe, Affordable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Act –Legacy for Users
STIC	Small Transit Intensive Cities
STIP	Statewide Transportation Improvement Program
STPA	Sensible Transportation Policy Act
STP	Surface Transportation Program (Federal Funds)
TE	Transportation Enhancement Program (Federal Funds)
TEA-21	Transportation Equity Act for the 21 st Century
TIP	Transportation Improvement Program (PACTS)
UPWP	Unified Planning Work Program
5303	FTA Planning Program
5307	FTA Urbanized Assistance

Agenda Item #7

July 3, 2008

To: PACTS Policy Committee Members and Staff

From: Ed Clifford, PACTS Transit Committee Chair

Subject: PACTS Transit Committee Accomplishments FY 2008 **DRAFT**

- Twelve PTC meetings were held during the fiscal year. One joint meeting was held between the Planning and Transit Committees.
- Appointed new Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for the Committee.
- Participated in the “2009 High Priority Projects Committee”, including public meeting. Reviewed project lists and continued to give input on the process.
- Participated in two PACTS reorganization retreats.
- Worked with MaineDOT to make several revisions and amendments to the PACTS Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).
- A subcommittee worked with staff to develop a new funding formula for FTA 5307 urban funds and STIC funding (Small Transit Intensive Cities). Formula was recommended to/approved by the Policy Committee.
- Members attended several meetings related to PACTS projects, such as the I-295 study and Portland-North rail effort.
- Received presentation on a mixed-use/special transit district model land use ordinance (MUST) from the Biddeford City Planner.
- Received a presentation on the Lakes Region Transit project.
- Received a presentation on the ShuttleBus and South Portland Bus Service Route Study.
- PTC members attended all other PACTS Committee meetings and gave reports to the PTC on important items.
- Discussed and shared information regarding transit passenger behavior and standards of conduct.
- Worked collaboratively to develop plans for Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) systems for providers in the region.

- Revisited and made changes to timeline/workplan for future Transit Committee tasks
- Allocated the STP Transit Set-Aside funds for FY 2008.
- Worked with PACTS and others to organize a transit summit, which included a signing ceremony by all providers, MaineDOT, and others regarding the Regional Transit Coordination Study.
- Began implementing tasks in the Regional Transit Coordination Study, including:
 - Regional Map and Timetable
 - Regional Route Study
 - Transit Planning in Comprehensive Planning Process
 - Regional Pass System

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