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Valley on the Coal Heritage Byway

USDOT Secretary Foxx's Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety Initiative

Road Safety Assessments

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Purpose & Goals

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Secretary's Bike/Ped Safety Initiative

- Bike & Pedestrian Safety is just as important as previous USDOT safety campaigns: distracted driving, speed limits, seatbelts, child safety seats.
- Present cycling and walking as modes equal to driving, flying, etc.
- Illustrate the importance of access to transit via safe biking & walking.
- Identify and address barriers to safe movement of peds and cyclists.

Assessment Effort

- Engage USDOT employees and transportation professionals
- Involve all levels of government
- Foster relationships across professions.
- Improve pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure and decrease bike/ped injury and fatality rates.





Overview of Assessments

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What?

A one-day assessment “in the field” and “on the ground”

Where?

One event in every state

When?

Planning underway by Dec 31, 2014

Complete by June 1, 2015

Who?

All USDOT modes



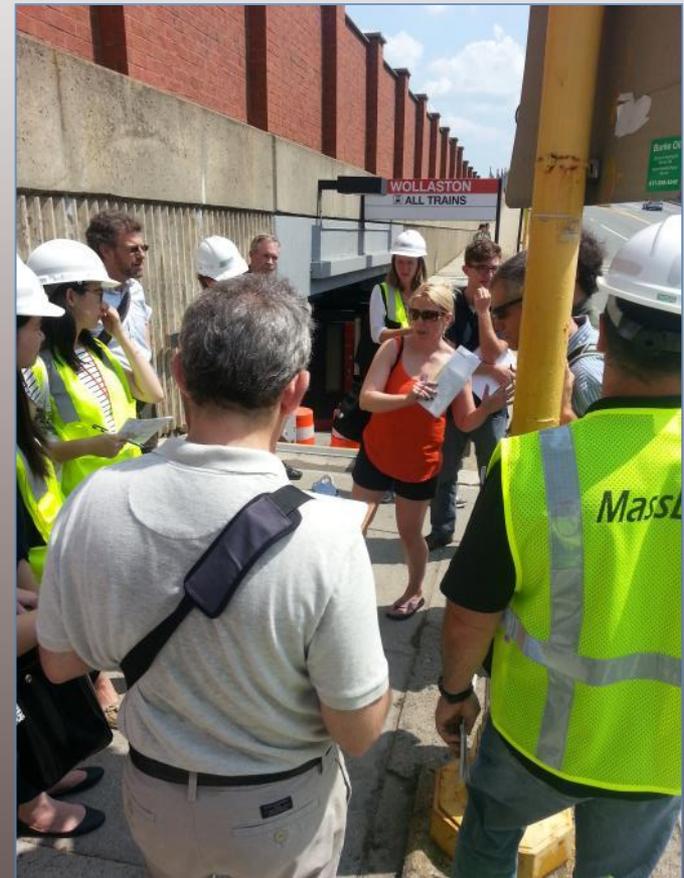
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Key Issues of Note

- Pedestrian and/or bike focus
- Multimodal assessment site
- One DOT perspective: collaborate and communicate
- Lead role versus support role
- Documentation and follow-up
- Photographs are required from every event --- video encouraged

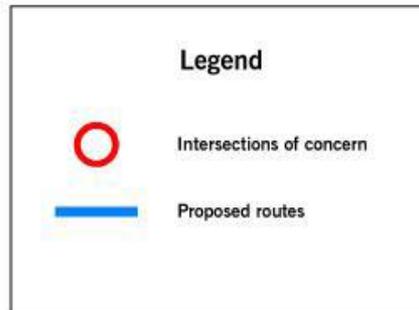
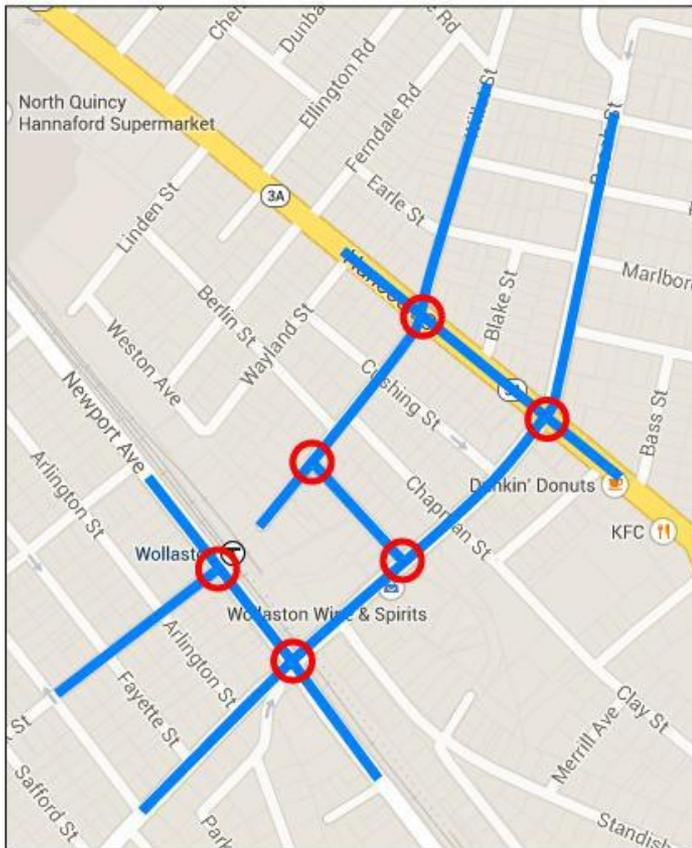


Sample Map and Photographs

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Wollaston Bikeability Assessment Routes





Review / Next Steps

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- **Review background information and tools**
- **Connect with modal partners in Virginia**
- **Send assessment city, site, date and list of invitees for every state to lead agency by December 31, 2014**
- **Assessments must be complete by June 1, 2015**



Questions

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