

FY2024 Transportation Program
Glossary and Miscellaneous Information

Highways:	As defined in 19 V.S.A. Chapter 3 Sec.302
Class 1	Class 1 town highways are those town highways which form the extension of a state highway route and which carry a state highway route number. The agency shall determine which highways are to be class 1 highways.
Class 2	Class 2 town highways are those town highways selected as the most important highways in each town. As far as practicable they shall be selected with the purposes of securing trunk lines of improved highways from town to town and to places which by their nature have more than normal amount of traffic. The selectmen, with the approval of the agency, shall determine which highways are to be class 2 highways.
Class 3	Class 3 town highways are all traveled town highways other than class 1 or 2 highways. The selectmen, after conference with a representative of the agency shall determine which highways are class 3 town highways. The minimum standards for class 3 highways are a highway negotiable under normal conditions all seasons of the year by a standard manufactured pleasure car. This would include but not be limited to sufficient surface and base, adequate drainage, and sufficient width capable to provide winter maintenance, except that based on safety considerations for the traveling public and municipal employees, the selectboard shall, by rule adopted under 24 V.S.A. chapter 59, and after following the process for providing notice and hearing in section 709 of this title, have authority to determine whether a class 3 highway, or section of highway, should be plowed and made negotiable during the winter. However, a property owner aggrieved by a decision of the selectboard may appeal to the transportation board pursuant to subdivision 5(d)(8) of this title.
Class 4	Class 4 town highways are all other town highways. The selectmen shall determine which highways are class 4 town highways.

DEFINITIONS	
Candidate Project	Projects approved by the legislature that are not anticipated to have significant expenditures for preliminary engineering and/or right-of-way expenditures during the budget year, and funding for construction is not anticipated within a predictable time-frame.
Development & Evaluation Project	Projects approved by the legislature that are anticipated to have preliminary engineering and/or right-of-way expenditures during the budget year. The agency is committed to delivering these projects to construction on a timeline driven by priority and available funding. Construction funding in years 3 and 4 may be shown on the Statewide D&E project (in Front of the Book), with comment that the projects funded for construction will be selected from the D&E list.
Front of Book Project	Projects approved by legislature that are anticipated to have construction expenditures during the budget year and/or the following three years, with expected expenditures shown over four years.
Shelf Project	Projects projected to be ready for construction during the budget year, but have no state or federal funds identified for construction during the budget year.
SCOPING	First phase in the project development process. Defines a project to solve a transportation problem
ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS	Competitive grant program for local transportation-related projects in ten specific categories.
Obligated	A commitment by the Federal Government to reimburse the State for eligible expenditures on a project up to the amount obligated.
Unobligated	Unobligated Funds

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ACRONYMS	
ABRB	ALBANY-BENNINGTON-RUTLAND-BURLINGTON [RAILROAD]
CDL	COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE
CE	CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
CFC	CHLOROFLUOROCARBON
DBE	DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE
D&E	DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION
DMS	DYNAMIC MESSAGE SIGNS
DTA	DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATOR (DISTRICT ENGINEER)
EA	ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESMENT
EIS	ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
FHS	FEDERAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM
FRA	FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION
GARVEE	GRANT ANTICIPATION REVENUE VEHICLES - BONDS
HOV	HIGH OCCUPANCY VEHICLE
IM	INTERSTATE MAINTENANCE PROGRAM
ISTEA	INTERMODAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION EFFICIENCY ACT (1991)
JARC	JOB ACCESS REVERSE COMMUTE
JTOC	JOINT TRANSPORTATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MTBE	METHYL TERTIARY BUTYL ETHER
MUTCD	MANUAL ON UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES - Fed. Sign regulations
NEPA	NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (1969)
NTSB	NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
OBDS	OFFICIAL BUSINESS DIRECTIONAL SIGN
PE	PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING
PONTIS	BRIDGE MAINTENANCE SYSTEM -Latin for bridge
RABA	REVENUE ALIGNED BUDGET AUTHORITY
ROW	RIGHT OF WAY
SIB	STATE INFRASTRUCTURE BANK
SHS	STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM
SOV	SINGLE OCCUPANCY VEHICLE
STIP	STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
STP	SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM
TEA-21	TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ACT FOR THE 21ST CENTURY - 6 yr. Fed. Authorization
TH	TOWN HIGHWAY
TIP	TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
TOD	TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT
TR BUILDINGS	TRANSPORTATION BUILDINGS
VTR	VERMONT RAILWAY
ORGANIZATIONS	
CCRPC	CHITTENDEN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
GMTA	GREEN MOUNTAIN TRANSIT AUTHORITY
MPO	METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION
RPC	REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
RPO	REGIONAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION
RTA	REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
CCMPO	CHITTENDEN COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
FHWA	FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
FTA	FEDERAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY