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RI Long Range Transportation Plan Includes Bicycle Mobility Plan With Shoreline Bikeway

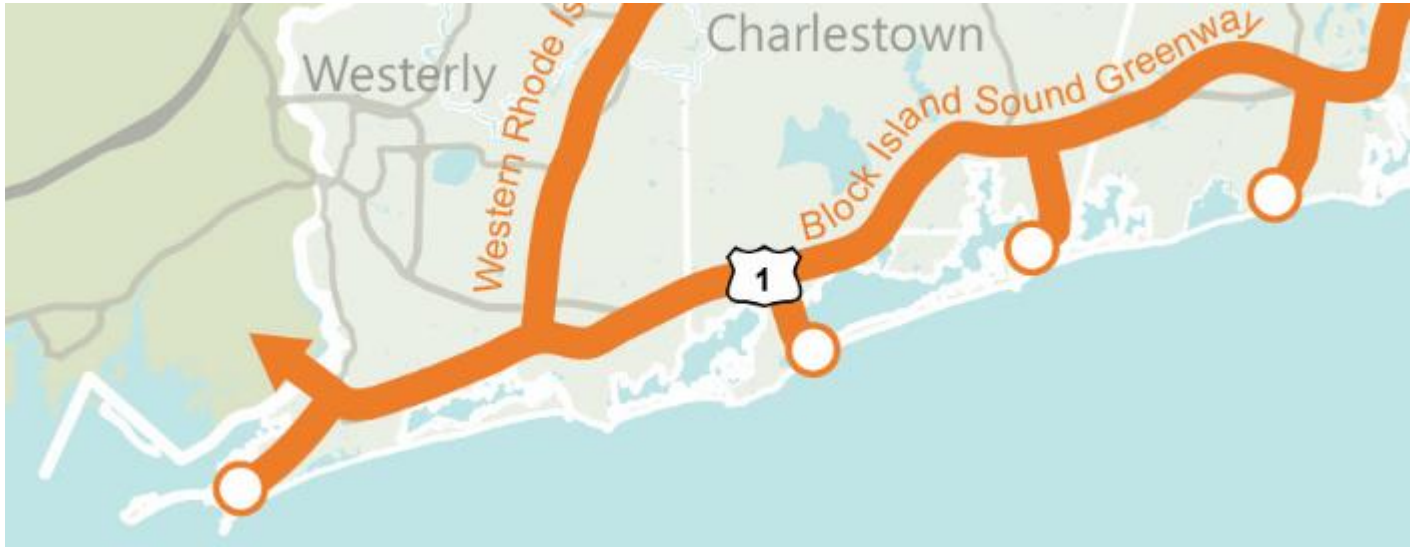
The Rhode Island State Planning Council Transportation Advisory Committee's (TAC) Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), Moving Forward RI-Transportation 2040 supports the goals of the Bicycle Mobility Plan.

The purpose of the Long-Range Transportation Plan is to develop a vision for surface transportation in the state over a 20-year planning horizon. This vision is comprehensive, covering all surface transportation modes (e.g. automobiles, trucks, public transit trains and buses, ferries and bicycles).

The LRTP incorporates a Bicycle Mobility Plan. The Rhode Island Bicycle Mobility Plan (BMP) is the first statewide initiative to expand the bicycle network strategically. The plan also seeks to safely and efficiently connect people and places so that riding a bicycle in Rhode Island is safe and fun for all ages. In order to achieve the expanded network, this plan identifies candidate corridors and the supporting policies and programs to make this initiative a reality.

The Bicycle Mobility Plan includes a candidate corridor for a coastal bikeway linking state beaches in Westerly, Charlestown, South Kingstown and beyond. The bike corridors developed for this plan

are conceptual in nature and not meant to be prescriptive.



In the image, the orange lines are long range and are not yet funded. Having a candidate bikeway in the plan will however set it up for funding should state funds for bicycle mobility become available.

Charlestown as the center piece of the larger South County Route 1 corridor is actively involved, since 2014 and before, in linking the shoreline to the rest of Rhode Island.

\$25 Million Bond would provide:

- * Support RI's decolonization goals
- * Provide economic transportation to employment and housing
- * Encourage healthy exercise, addressing obesity epidemic
- * Advance goal of an off road East Coast Greenway connection

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